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SCHOOL DISTRICT FACES CRITICISMS FOR PRIME 6 PHASE II PROPOSAL

(Part One of a Three Part Series)

By Victor Ingram and Ramon Savoy

The announcement came on December 1, 1992. The Prime 6 Plan had received approval from the Clark County School District Board of Trustees following months of protest and negotiation. The plan, according to proponents, would correct the destructive affects of busing on minority children by allowing them an opportunity to be educated within their own community. Schools within the predominantly African American West Las Vegas community were restructured for neighborhood children to be given a choice. H.P. Fitzgerald Elementary School opened becoming the first new school to open in the economically depressed area in nearly twenty-five years.

During a festive grand opening, H.P. Fitzgerald Elementary was the spotlight of cheers, an assortment of dignitaries, and congratulatory proclama-



H.P. Fitzgerald Elementary School became the first new school to open in the West Las Vegas area in nearly twenty-five years. Photo by Paula Irons

tions. Phase II, however, has received mixed degrees of support from teachers and parents. Phase II plans a full scale implementation of Prime 6, allowing all parents the option to keep their children within neighborhood confines for grades K-12. The plan strives to

standardize the district's grade structure, but to some, threatens total segregation. Some have speculated that White parents will leave in masses once offered an option to not sending their children to Westside schools, which have traditionally been older and deficient in teaching resources as well as personnel. Once given the option, say

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BLACK COACHES ASSOCIATION WANTS BOYCOTT

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"There will be a boycott!"

That is what Arkansas basketball head coach Nolan Richardson confirmed Tuesday after being contacted by officials of the Black Coaches Association, of which he is a member. The

BCA is calling for a boycott of college basketball games over the NCAA's failure to restore a 14th scholarship to men's programs.

At least 10 of the top 25 teams in the USA TODAY/CNN coaches poll and the Associated Press writers polls

could join in some sort of protest. Six or seven are said to be undecided.

Rudy Washington, president of the BCA, said the organization's membership was upset because the NCAA voted down a proposal to restore the scholarship. (See Black Coaches, Page 24)

LVABJ'S MEDIA ACCESS SEMINAR A SUCCESS



Panelists attending LVABJ's Media Access Workshop last weekend included: (L-R) Lucius Bowen, advertising manager-Fox Design & Print; Louis "L.C." Conner, general manager-KCEP Radio FM88.1; Diana Aird, president, Aird & Associates; Sharon Gwyn, public affairs director-Lotus Broadcasting; and Lillian McMorris, public affairs director-KVVU TV Fox-5. Photo by Paula Irons

The recently held Media Access Seminar sponsored by the Las Vegas Association of Black Journalists (LVABJ) at KLAS TV-8 was a resounding success. Nearly 100 people attended the conference and benefited from workshop topics like, "How To Hold A Successful news Conference," and "How To Prepare a Public Service Announcement."

The seminar is a part of the LVABJ's on-going effort to play a key

role in helping to bridge the gap between the community and the media — serving the needs of organizations, small businesses and professionals in the marketplace. And, based on the response of those in attendance, the gap has narrowed as a result of what was learned at the seminar.

Panelists included Michael Workman, managing editor - KLAS TV-8; (See LVABJ, Page 30)

AFRICAN ENSEMBLE SET TO PERFORM



Lora and Sukutai Marimba and Dance Ensemble, a colorful and much-honored troupe from Seattle, performs January 15 at 8 p.m. in the Las Vegas Academy Theater at Ninth and Clark. SEE PAGE 14

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