

JOHNTA AUSTIN RECEIVES SPECIAL RECOGNITION AT THE 26TH ANNUAL NAACP IMAGE AWARDS

Johnta Austin, the 13-year old anchor-reporter for TBS Superstation, has been selected as one of seven exemplary students to receive a special "Youth Award" at the 26th Annual NAACP Image Awards. Austin

was selected for the award as a result of his scholastic achievements, personal goals and accomplishments. The Image Awards recognize individuals and organizations who have contributed to the positive portrayal

of Black Americans. Austin has been working at TBS Superstation since January 1992, when he was selected as an anchor for TBS' daily infominate Kids' Beat. His first public appearance for the show was

at the 1992 Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday Parade. Since then, Austin has done hundreds of reports that increase TBS' young viewers' basic awareness of their world.

Austin also serves as the Atlanta Bureau Chief for Turner Broadcasting's weekly news program Real News for Kids, which airs on TBS and CNN, as well as in syndication. To date, Austin has covered such stories as the Georgia lottery, the NBA Stay in

School program and the 1992 Presidential election.

TBS Superstation's Feed Your Mind, a series of quarterly thematic specials geared to kids ages 6-12, also featured Austin as an anchor. For the first program, which aired September 25, 1993, Austin traveled to The Living Seas in Epcot Center, which is the world's largest salt-water aquarium.

The second show found Austin in Hollywood for an appearance on the Arsenio Hall Show, where he got the chance to see what it's like behind-the-scenes with the people who work together to get the show on the air every night. Austin also got the opportunity to meet Arsenio and interview him for Feed Your Mind.

In his spare time, Austin is a member of the City of Atlanta Youth Advisory Council, established to prevent youth violence. In addition, Austin has appeared at several Atlanta-area elementary schools on career day to speak to the youngsters about his work on television.

He is also an active member of Bethel Church of Christ, where he sings and plays drums for the choir.

CHEYENNE HIGH SCHOOL AND STREETWISE ALIVE CELEBRATE THE VOICES OF TOMORROW

As we celebrate the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and his contributions to civil rights and cultural unity, we can be optimistic of who will follow and be our influential leaders of

tomorrow. Cheyenne high School in cooperation with Community Youth Organization StreetWise Alive are presenting a very special program entitled - "A Tribute To Youth."

On Friday, February 4th, 1994, the Cheyenne High School Human Relations Club and talent from around the Las Vegas valley will showcase in a spectacular entertainment production

commemorating our nation's annual Black Heritage Month. Prepare to be mesmerized by an African dance ensemble, melodious singers, hip-hop rappers, a dramatic skit, original

poetry readings, and models all portraying the voices of tomorrow.

WHEN: Friday, February 4th, at 7:00 p.m.

WHERE: Cheyenne High School Theater, 3200 West Alexander Road (South of Craig Road)

These kids have been working hard to put this program together and let the community know that there are some young people who choose to stay in school, get their education and stay out of trouble. Tickets are only \$5.00 in advance, \$6.00 at the door and under three years of age is free. That's a small price to let our children know that Las Vegas is behind them 100%. For further information, contact Coach Dorothy Martin at 799-4830 ext. 238.

AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY CELEBRATION "COMING TOGETHER"

The Doolittle Community Center is now accepting applications from all persons interested in participating in the 17th annual African American History Celebration "Coming Together." We are accepting a limited number of talented acts and gospel groups for this year's program. All interested persons should pick up an application at the Doolittle Community Center located at 1901 North "J" Street at Lake Mead or call 229-6374 for more information.

2nd Annual Community Block Party Unity Festival "94" May 21, 1994. All groups interested in participating in this year's program should pick up an application at the Doolittle Community Center located at 1901 North "J" Street at Lake Mead. Last year over 2000 people enjoyed a day at the park with their families that included a Drill Team Competition, Step Show Competition, 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament, Softball Tournament, swimming pool activities, children's games, and a visit from McDoland Land characters. Submit your application today and be a part of this positive activity. Call 229-6374 for more information.

interest cards from all youth 6.15 years old interested in participating in a hardball baseball league in West Las Vegas. Stop by the center located at 1901 North "J" street and Lake Mead and fill out a registration form Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. and Saturday 9-4 p.m. or call 229-6374 for more information. Coaches needed also.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE
ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION! All girls age 11-14 years old the Doolittle Community Center is currently accepting interest cards from all young ladies interested in participating in an All Girls Basketball League. Stop by the center located at 1901 North "J" Street at Lake Mead or call 229-6374 for more information. Coaches needed also.

Community Block Party UNITY FESTIVAL "94"
ATTENTION all Drill Teams, Step Squads, Adult Softball Teams (men and women), and 3 on 3 Basketball Teams. The Doolittle Community Center in conjunction with KCEP Radio Station is currently accepting applications for participation in the

YOUTH HARBALL LEAGUE
The Doolittle Community Center is currently accepting

ALL GIRLS

SENIOR UPDATE DRIVING SKILLS

Pre-registration is required for people 55 and older to attend "55 Alive," AARP's two-day refresher driving course held at the Las Vegas Senior Citizens Center, 450 E. Bonanza Rd.

All automobile insurance companies in Nevada provide premium reductions to graduates of "55 Alive."

The course is offered twice monthly. Daytime sessions meet from 1-5 p.m. Evening sessions meet from 6-10 p.m.

Payment will not be accepted at the door. Send an \$8 check made payable to: AARP/55 Alive, to the following address: P.O. Box 27223, Las Vegas, NV 89126.

The course is designed for drivers who experience age-related physical changes, such as declining perceptual skills. Highlights include a "rules of the road" review, local driving hazards, and accident-prevention measures.

Classes are limited to 30 people. For more information, call 733-5928.

RANCHO SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS ADOPT FREEDOM PARK

About a dozen special education students at Rancho High School are spending Friday mornings helping to maintain Freedom Park in a program that helps the community and themselves.

Gunderson, Rancho principal, at 799-7000, Ext. 210.

The students, who are mentally handicapped, are at the park - rain or shine - from 9:30 a.m. to noon Fridays during the school year.

They assist crews from the City of Las Vegas' Department of Parks and Leisure in upkeep of the park, located at Washington and Mojave, not far from the school.

In the process, students develop and enhance skills essential to competing in the job market. They also develop a sense of pride and dignity because of their work and contribution to the community.

If you have any questions about this program or would like to see it in action, call Barry

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