

SENIOR NEWS

DOOLITTLE SATELLITE SENIOR CENTER

The Doolittle Satellite Senior Center, located inside the Doolittle Community Center, 1901 N. "J" St., (at W. Lake Mead) is open to people age 55 and older from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Please call 229-6125 to confirm the time and date of the activity and to sign up.

Legal advice and other senior services are offered from 10 a.m. to noon, Thursday, Nov. 7 to people 60 years and older. Appointments must be made in

advance by calling 229-6596.

The Healthy Strides Group meets at 10 a.m., every Monday and Friday. Chair Exercise classes meet at 10 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday. Bingo is played at noon every Tuesday and Thursday.

Sewing and stitching classes meet at 12 noon every Wednesday. A sketching class with Mitch meets at 10 a.m. every Friday. "55 Alive," a two-day refresher driver course, is offered from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Nov. 8-9. An \$8 fee is charged to attend. Call the Center for details, how to pay, and to sign up. Table tennis is played Monday,

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Wednesday, and Friday at 11:00 a.m. Bowling is offered Monday's at 12 noon. Square Dancing is taught Friday's at noon. Free blood pressure checks are offered Nov. 3 at 11 a.m.

DERFELT SENIOR CENTER

Ongoing activities for people 55 and older take place from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday at the Derfelt Senior Center, 3333 W. Washington Ave., in Lorenzi Park. A one-time \$1 registration fee must be paid upon enrollment to each class, in addition to the class fee. The Following programs are included:

Ballroom Dance Classes

taught by Jim Pedersen meet every Monday from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The class is for beginners or people who would like to brush up on technique and style. A partner is not necessary. Cost is \$3 per class.

Oil Painting for all levels of students, with Joyce Jackson, at 8:30 a.m. every Tuesday. Cost is \$3 per class.

Crochet/Knit Class meets at 9 a.m. every Monday with instructor Peg Fleck. Learn to crochet and/or knit, or bring your own current project. Cost is \$1 per class.

T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) #98 meets at 9 a.m. every Thursday. Learn to control weight and correct diet in a

supportive atmosphere with peers. Meetings feature guest speakers, literature, and weigh-ins. For more info, call 363-2126.

Yoga Stretch meets at 9 a.m. every Wednesday and Friday for on hour and a half of gentle exercise. Yoga is great for

circulation with no strain to the joints in the body, \$2 per class.

Silver State Card Club consist of bridge players who meet from 11:15 a.m.-3:00 p.m. every Thursday. There is no charge to attend; membership dues only. Call 384-5442.

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Central Committee agreed to formally seek the resignation of Jones from the Las Vegas Board of Directors Board of Commissioners," states organization president Dr. James Tate in a prepared media statement. Citing "un-kept promises and disparate treatment" the group says the numerous complaints have been lodged against the Mayor's performance on the board. "This is ridiculous," says group member Marzette Lewis, "...that a public elected official would be so cold and callous in her dealings with poor people." The Mayor's alleged political motives, again, are noted as the group's primary dissatisfaction. No specific incidence of tenant mistreatment were cited, however.

Cathy Hansen, spokesperson for the Mayor, comments that the Mayor has been and remains committed to the residents of the low-income housing. "The Mayor has demonstrated her commitment to housing by hiring a new executive director," says Hansen. Hansen refers to new housing authority executive director Frederick Brown. "She has been fully committed to Brown's push for resident empowerment," Hansen continues. She refutes Unity in the Community's comments as benign and lacking substance. "We've received letters from the Black Chamber of Commerce and Nevada Partners, both of which deny any association with the push for the Mayor's resignation." Both the Black Chamber and Nevada Partners are listed as members of Unity in the Community. Nevada Partners executive director Mujahid Ramadan confirmed that the organization is no longer a part of Unity in the Community and has subsequently requested their name be removed from the group's stationery.

NAACP

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the convention's benefit to the local black community arose, however. Tosten was placed in an awkward position as NAACP president James Rodgers reclaimed the podium.

The Sahara Hotel and Casino has been designated as the host hotel for the event. Other hotel accommodations will be necessary, however, as some 10,000 rooms will be required. Critics complained that the economic benefit will be to Strip hotels exclusively, discounting any benefit to the black community. "We have a coalition to ensure that dollars will be put back into the black community," comments Rodgers. Critics also say Strip hotels have been non-supportive in their patronage of black business and question the national NAACP's research in determining Las Vegas as their convention site. "We will be going to those entities to discuss corrective action to address the problem of a lack of support,"

comments Rodgers regarding the complaints. "We have individuals that we've made contact with to rectify this problem." While failing to cite specifics and strategies, Rodgers says the local chapter is aware of marginal participation by Strip hotels with black small businesses.

FIREFIGHTER

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they were willing to earn their badges." Fire training includes strenuous physical, as well as theoretical exams. To successfully graduate cadets must work to overcome physical obstacles such as ladder climbing and hose drills. Timing is critical as cadets are drilled to precision in applying breathing apparatus and protective clothing. "They are the best of the best," says Marimontes. "They have indeed earned their place on the stage as well as their place on the Las Vegas Fire Department."

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