

Memorial Day Services TO REMEMBER... TO BE REMEMBERED

Palm Mortuary will be conducting their Thirtieth Annual Memorial Day Services on Monday, May 29th to continue their tradition of honoring our American Veterans. The general public is cordially invited to attend these community events. Join us to celebrate this holiday and to honor the memory of our

patriotic veterans. "When you plan to visit either our Downtown Las Vegas or Henderson Memorial Parks during the Memorial weekend, consider starting or ending your visit at one of our Memorial Day Services," says Ned Phillips, Vice President, and Community Relations Director for Palm

Mortuary. "The services can set the tone for the memory of your loved ones, and can uplift your patriotic sense as well."

Our Downtown Service is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Downtown Palm Mortuary large chapel, located at 1325 North Main Street. There will be light refreshments beginning at 8:30 a.m. with a chance to mingle with various government officials prior to the program. This service will be under the direction of the American Legion Post #8 and Honor Society 40/8. The program includes presentation of colors, placing of wreaths, special musical selections, firing squad salute, and taps. The Memorial Day addresses will be given by Governor Bob Miller, Congresswoman Barbara Vucanovich, Congressman John Ensign, Senator Richard Bryan and Senator Harry Reid.

In Henderson, the service on Monday May 29th will be at 11:00 a.m. in the Palm Henderson Mortuary Chapel at 800 South Boulder Highway. The American Legion BMI Post 40 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3848 will be participating along with other Henderson Veterans organizations and dignitaries.

Again this year, the Fordyce Club of Las Vegas will hold their annual Memorial Day Service at the Downtown Palm Mortuary Chapel on Monday the 29th at 10:00 a.m.


This year, the Assemblies of Msgr. Lambe and Theodore VanSkee Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus of Southern Nevada will celebrate a special Memorial Day Mass on Monday the 29th at 10:00 a.m. in the chapel at Palm Green Valley Memorial Park, located at 7600 South Eastern Avenue.

WALKER AFRICAN-AMERICAN MUSEUM & RESEARCH CENTER

The Walker African-American Museum and Research Center is a non-profit organization designed to promote and preserve the contributions of African-Americans in Nevada, the United States and abroad.

Now accepting donations of any historically significant items such as: souvenir booklets, church histories, photographs, slave documents, old business licenses, newspaper articles, clothing, posters, statues, histories of organizations, family histories, etc.

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AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY

AFRICAN LANGUAGES

By Gwen Walker

Hundreds of different languages and thousands of dialects of those languages re spoken on the African continent. These languages can be broken down into six major language families. Bantu - with 182 different languages, Semitic - with 10 different languages, Hamitic - with 47 different languages, Hottentot - Sudanic - with 264 different languages, Bushman - with 11 different languages.



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WEST AFRICAN LANGUAGES

Ahanta - Ghana, Cote D' Ivoire, Bambara - Francophone West Africa, Bassa - Liberia, Cameroon, Dioula - Surkina Faso, Cut D' Ivoire

EFIK - Nigeria (est. 1 million speakers), EWE (POPO) Ghana, Togo, Benin (est. 3 million speakers), Fang - Equatorial, Guineu (est 2 million speakers), Fon-Benin, Togo (est 1 million speakers), Fulani (Fulfulde) - Nigeria, Niger (est 10 million speakers), Hausa - Nigeria, Niger, Ghana (est 30 million speakers), Ibo (Igbo) - Nigeria (est 10 million speakers), Kpelle - Liberia (est 5 million speakers), Malinke - Francophone West Africa, (Mandinka) est 10 million speakers, Mende - Sierra Leone (est 1 million speakers), Mossi - (More) Francophone West Africa (est 3 million speakers), Sarakolle - Mali, Burkina Faso, (Soninka) Mauritania, Songhai - Nigeria (est 1 million speakers), TWI (Akan) Ghana, Cote D' Ivoire (est 4 million speakers), Wolof - Senegal, Gambia, Mauritania, Equatorial Guineu (est 2 million speakers), Yokuba - Benin, Togo, Nigeria (est 17 million speakers).

Look for the languages from North, East and Central Africa next week.

Most other ethnic groups can speak their native language. We must all make an effort to learn a few words.

This is also an appeal to our African born brothers and sisters to possibly start a class to teach those of us who want to learn.

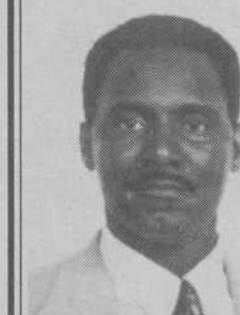
In the Kiswahili language here are a few words:
 Mama - mother, Baba - father, ndada - sister, Ndugu - brother, Maturda - fruit, Tufa - apple, Ndizi - Banana, Nazi - Coconut, Jambo - hello, Heshima - respect, Ibada - worship, Karibu - welcome, Lipo - payment, Rafiki - friend, Shule - school.

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