

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Four local poets will perform a retrospective recital of their work in Poetry Blast II on Sunday, February 11, 1996 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. at the Flamingo Library (1401 East Flamingo Road) Reader Services Room, 2nd floor. Admission is free.

The Nevada Association of Fashion Design will host a Open House/Membership Drive on Sunday, February 11, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the banquet room of Denny's Restaurant, 3081 Maryland Parkway. Admission is \$1 for members and \$2 for non-members. Call 731-9278 for more information.

On Sunday, February 18 at 3:00 p.m. in the Cimarron-Memorial High School auditorium (2301 Tenaya Way), in honor of Black History Month, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity presents an evening with Tuskegee Airman Richard Macon. Along with Macon's presentation will be a musical tribute to our past, present and future. Tickets are \$6. For more information, call the Omega Line at 702-647-7715 or 702-223-6668.

If you have lost the instruction book to your child and are looking for new ways to communicate, sign up for free Practical Parenting program at Whitney Community, 5700 Missouri, from 9-11 a.m. on Feb. 17, 24 and March 2 and 9. Call 455-7573 to reserve your seat.

The Fordyce Club will hold their Annual Sweetheart Ball, Friday, February 9 at the Harry C. Montgomery Elks Lodge, located in the Twin Lakes Shopping Center on N. Rancho. The Ball will take place from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Donation is \$10. For ticket information, please call 648-5598 or 639-6254.

The Silverado High School (1650 Silver Hawk Ave. — Eastern & Pebble

advanced theatre students will perform a series of one-acts on Thursday and Friday, February 8 and 9 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$3 in advance and \$4 at the door. Call 799-5790, ext. 208, for more information.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Theta Theta Omega Chapter, will host its annual Founder's Day Luncheon on February 10 at noon at the Golden Nugget Hotel. The cost for the luncheon is \$25 per person. Tickets will not be sold at the door! Please call 594-5053 for ticket information.

Burnt Toast Toastmasters will hold a Membership Drive/Mixer at Chez Place, 912 N. Martin Luther King Boulevard, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., on Friday, February 16. For more information, call Marcia at 799-0670.

The United Firefighters of Southern Nevada is sponsoring its Fourth Annual Scholarship Program in March. Two scholarships will be offered to African Americans from Clark County's graduating seniors. The scholarship packet information will be available and distributed to school counselors in March. For more information contact Dave Washington at 646-1861.

A workshop entitled "Recreating Community Involvement" will be held in the UNLV Moyer Student Union, room 201 February 10, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Participants will learn how to become involved in their schools and their community. The workshop will teach such skills as project and event organization, fund raising and communication. The workshop is sponsored by the UNLV Environmental Studies Program. For more information call 895-4495.

SEND COMMUNITY & CHURCH NOTICES TO LAS VEGAS SENTINEL-VOICE, 900 E. Charleston, Las Vegas, NV 89104

The next public meeting of the Nevada Supreme Court Task Force for the Study of Racial and Economic Bias in the Justice System will be held February 13, 1996 at 4:45. This meeting will be held in the System Computing Services (SCS) Building on the UNLV campus (4505 Maryland Parkway, South of the James R. Dickinson Library). This meeting will also be linked via videoconference at the SCS Building on the UNR campus. For further information, contact Danny Gonzales, Executive Director, at 471-1400.

The Lied Discovery Children's Museum presents "What About AIDS?," an important new interactive computer exhibit, featuring compelling profiles of people living with AIDS, a working AIDS information hotline, and a variety of simple hands-on devices explain the science of HIV and AIDS to young people, and more. The exhibit will take place February 3 through April 28. For more information, call the Lied Discovery Children's Museum at 382-3445.

The Cheyenne High School Theater Department is celebrating Black History Month with a production of Raisin In The Sun on February 15, 16 and 17 at the school's theater at 7 p.m. Call Ms. Jo Yanda at 799-4830, Ext. 208 for tickets or more information. Raisin In The Sun, Broadway's longest running Black play, will feature an all Black cast in this compelling production, and is the first time a local high school has presented the play. Tickets: adults \$5, students \$3.

A workshop in practical parenting takes place Thursday, February 8, at 6 p.m. at the Clark Community School, 4271 Pennwood Avenue at 6 p.m. The City of Las Vegas is sponsoring this workshop. Call 365-9272 to register for either session.

The Displaced Homemaker Program at HELP of Southern Nevada is offering free Job Seeking Skills Workshops during the month of February: the 12th through the 16th, and the 26th through March 1st, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Any person who is widowed, divorced, separated, or

the sole supporter of his/her family may qualify. Call 369-4357 (local) or 1-800-421-2966 (toll free) for more information and to determine eligibility. This program is open to all eligible citizens of Clark, Lincoln, Nye, and Esmeralda counties.

The City of Henderson is pleased to announce the implementation of an innovative Volunteer program to increase citizen involvement in the day-to-day operations of Henderson government. The City has created many innovative and non-traditional volunteer jobs offering opportunities for enjoyment, challenge and personal growth through interesting and motivational work. Duties might include conducting tours of City facilities, exercising and working with dogs and cats in the Animal Control Shelter, or providing reception and clerical assistance in City Departments. Additional information and application forms are available through the City's Personnel Department, City Hall, 240 Water Street, Henderson, Nevada

89015, or phone 565-2070.

Are you on the streets with no one to turn to, no where to go? Nevada Homes for Youth can help. Their programs assist young people between the ages of 17 and 21, who need immediate shelter for up to one year. Programs benefits include paid utilities, counseling, life skills classes and employment assistance. For info call Nevada Homes for Youth 24-hr 256-9200.

Representatives from the Internal Revenue Service's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program will be offering free income tax assistance through April 13 at The Boulevard Mall, 3528 Maryland Parkway. Volunteers will answer questions and assist with filing procedures at the Boulevard's community booth on Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. For more information on free income tax assistance, call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040.

The Citizen's Committee on Victim Rights is offering the second in a series of skill building workshops free to the public. "How to Diffuse a Potentially Bad Situation" will be held on February 14 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Sawyer Building, 555 E. Washington. There is

no cost and brown bag lunches are welcome. For more information, please contact Pat Thacker, 455-5371.

The Southern Nevada Black Nurses Association is currently seeking new members. Meetings are held the second Saturday of the month at the West Las Vegas Library located at 951 West Lake Mead Blvd. at 11 a.m. All nurses interested in joining are welcome to attend. For more information call chapter President Debra Toney, RN at 477-8682.

The Southern Nevada Council of UAW Retirees meet the third Friday of every month, excluding the summer months of May thru August. Meetings are held at the Zelzah Shrine Temple located at 2222 West Mesquite Rd. (at the corner of Rancho) at 10 a.m. All United Auto Worker Retirees and their spouses are welcome to attend.

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Church Announcements

HOMEWORK HELPERS

If you would like help with your homework - math, reading or anything... Come to St. James Church, 820 North "H" Street. Monday and Tuesday evenings 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Reading program: Thursdays 6-7:30 p.m. All are welcome. Don't forget to bring your homework!

Second Baptist Church Provides Free Tutoring Classes

The Second Baptist Church located at 500 West Madison Avenue, provides free tutoring to any students kindergarten through twelfth grades. The sessions are held on Mondays through Thursdays from 3:45 to 5:15 p.m. Students are provided with help to understand and complete homework assignments in all academic areas. For more information call 648-6155.

"The Pastoral Counseling Center, 6151 West Charleston Boulevard, Suite B, is offering short term workshops in the following areas: Assertive Training for Men and Women; Applying the 12 Step Format to Daily Living; Parenting for Success, Stress Management and Understanding Co-Dependency. Cost is \$5.00 per session. Call 870-7150 for info."

Health and Healing Class meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. Call 792-6746 for details. Daily Health Tips-223-1733; Daily Inspiration-223-1717. Christian Ambassadors, 1111 S. Las Vegas Blvd. (5th Ave. Plaza), Suite 325A.

RELIGIOUS POETRY SOUGHT

A \$1,000.00 grand prize is being offered in a religious poetry contest sponsored by New Jersey Rainbow Poets, open to everyone. There are 28 prizes in all totaling over \$2,000.00. "We think great religious poems can inspire achievement," says Frederick Young, the organization's famous Contest Director. "We're especially keen on inspiring beginning poets and we think this competition will accomplish that. Nevada has produced great poets over the years and we'd like to discover new ones from among the Las Vegas-area grassroots poets."

The deadline for entering is February 15. Poems may be written on any subject, using any style, as long as there is a spiritual inference. A typical poem might be a love poem, or nature poem, one that inspires. Winners will be notified by

the end of March and will be invited for free publication. All entrants will receive a winner's list.

To enter, send one poem only of 21 lines or less to: Poetry Contest, 103 N. Wood Ave., Suite 70, Linden, NJ 07036

Wellspring Thrift Store is accepting donations for our used Christian books & tape department, clean clothes & furniture. Our manager, Dodie, would welcome anyone who wants to volunteer to help out in our store. Set your own days & hours. We really need help from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Open your heart to bless the hungry, this holiday season, with food for our distribution program to local families. Store hours are from 12:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Coffee & a friendly staff await you. We are located at 1401 N. Decatur, Ste. 9. For further information call 646-5612.

The Pastors Aid of Unity Baptist Church located at 545 Marion Dr.; Pastored by Dr. Reginald Kamara; will be presenting a program "4 Trees from the Bible." The trees being presented are the Oak Tree, the Olive Tree, the Fig Tree and the Bramble Bush. We will be featuring 3 of Unity's very own Ministers. Rev. Juanita Wasson of Holy Trinity A.M.E. Church will be our special guest speaker. Music will be provided by the choir of Unity Baptist Church. Also Ms. Danya Birkett-Thomas will be our guest soloist. We invite you to join us as we celebrate and learn more about God's wonderful creations and give thanks for his abundant Love.

The Annual St. James Church REVIVAL will be held Monday, February 12th through Wednesday, February 14th

Hallelujah Christian Fellowship, 800 N. Rancho at Bonanza, presents a special concert performance "Under Grace." Join them for a righteous night of rock & roll Saturday, February 17 at 7:00 p.m. Admission is free. Call (702) 646-7332 for more information.

True Love Missionary Baptist Church, 1941 N. "H" Street, will hold an "Ice Cream Social & Fashion Show" on Saturday, February 10 at 6:30 p.m. Sponsored by the True Love Usher Department.

If you enjoy hand-clapping, toe-tapping gospel singing, and if you enjoy supporting a program that can be financially rewarding to your church, choir, gospel group or organization as well, then listen to this. The City of Las Vegas Cultural & Community Affairs Division is pleased to announce its first Gospel Competition as part of the two-day Hallelujah Gospel Celebration with the dynamic Grammy Award winning Mighty Clouds of Joy performing. The two-day event will include a gospel competition Friday and Saturday, May 17 & 18 at 8 p.m. Deadline for entries is March 20. Help us make this Hallelujah Gospel Celebration a complete success. We are striving a fill Cashman Theatre for this glorious event. You can help and also earn a profit for your church, gospel choir, or group or organization. You may purchase a block of tickets for the one-day event for only \$7 each, and sell them at the regular price: \$10 adults, \$8 students, seniors & persons with disabilities, and profit \$1-\$3 on each ticket sold; or purchase a block of tickets for the two-day event for only \$12 each, and sell them for regular price: \$17 adults, \$13 students, seniors and persons with disabilities, and profit \$1-\$5 on each ticket sold.

For more information, please call Betty Keeton at the Reed Whipple Cultural Center at 229-6211.

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