

Good neighbor Booker T., played by Delwynn Campbell, tries to help street wise Raven, Carrie Sayles, get control of her life during the Mary-Etta Sayles Clinton's production of *Unequally Yoked*.
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Play

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they have hope as a result of a performance they attended.

Clinton encourages those aspiring playwrights to "just sit down and start to write because you have to have a place to start, and you can always rewrite."

The more you do, the better you become. Like the old saying goes, "practice makes perfect."

Look for the LVBGT Seventh Anniversary production "Daylight In Darkness" in September of this year. The play has not exactly been written yet, but Clinton has already been inspired to write it. Clinton is also an active member in church and community activities. Currently, she serves as Office Manager for Zion United Methodist Daycare Center.

Ticket information for "Unequally Yoked" can be obtained by calling 594-2235.

Nigeria

(Continued from Page 11) important roles in expanding Nigeria's private sector, increase its industrial production, and revitalize agriculture and mining of solid materials. Available for lease now in Nigeria are steel mills, paper and newsprint manufacturing plants, petrochemical works and fertilizer factories. Water resources development is open to people with skills in drilling

bore holes for water supply, dam construction, underground water development, rural water supply and improvement of river channels. Construction of hospitals, schools and residential buildings, as well as farming and ranching opportunities are available for people wanting to participate in Nigeria's growth. The country has a low-wage work force and a reliable banking

system.

The success of the largest black nation in the world is inextricably linked with the destinies of people of African descent everywhere. Nigeria's economic and nation building progress should not be stymied by African-Americans' misunderstandings and precepts of it and its complex society. Now is the time for blacks around the world to take positive actions regarding

Nigeria. Instead of protesting against Nigeria, we should visit and interact to see how joining forces will make Nigeria the great kingdom of blacks that it once was. (The U.S. embassy's telephone number is (202) 986-8400.)

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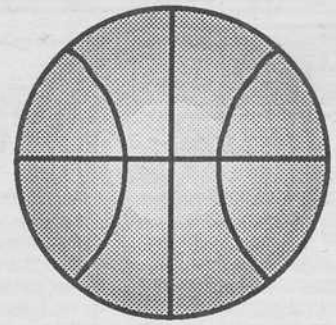
Police vs. firemen in basketball benefit

The North Las Vegas Police Department has vowed to win the second annual North Las Vegas Challenge, a benefit basketball game between NLVPD and the North Las Vegas Firefighters.

The game will take place at 1 p.m., Saturday, March 22, in the Cheyenne High School Gym at 3200 W. Alexander Road in North Las Vegas.

Proceeds will benefit the North Las Vegas Neighborhood Housing Services, a local nonprofit housing corporation striving to rehabilitate mature neighborhoods near the downtown area of North Las Vegas and to provide decent housing for low-income residents.

Donated tickets to the event are provided to middle school children enrolled in the North Las Vegas Police Department's Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE)



program. Merchants may also donate items such as sporting equipment and t-shirts which will be given as door prizes to DARE students attending the game.

The five foot trophy has been sitting at the headquarters office of the North Las Vegas Fire Department for a year, but the NLVPD has said they will give the trophy a new home for 1997.

Williams

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action, he said he would continue to emphasize minority hiring and every police academy class would have ratios of 15 percent black, 25 percent Hispanic and 10 percent Asian until he was ordered to stop.

Brutality complaints against police dropped from 1,825 in 1993 to 1,506 in 1994.

He tried to implement many of the changes recommended by the Christopher Commission after the 1992 riots.

However, budget problems, bureaucratic foot dragging, and resistance within the department prevented many changes.

Williams is the son of meat-packer and strong-willed mother. He joined the Philadelphia Park Police when he was 20.

After the park officers and police force joined, he began to climb through the ranks. He attended training sessions and went to school after work earning his bachelor's degree. He was named Philadelphia's police commissioner in 1988.

Unity

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a small town or a nation. They know that these churches, like all houses of worship, are not only the visible manifestations of the Lord's presence; they are part of the glue that holds the society together.

I wrote in a column last July that the church burnings were a crisis which, like every crisis, represented an opportunity — an opportunity for decent people to renew their pledge to that fundamental Judeo-Christian tenet: We are our brothers' keepers; we are our sisters' keepers. The contribution of International Paper is proof that individuals can inspire corporate communities to seize the opportunity, too.

Fear

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focused mind will overcome any challenge or obstacle. Fear and panic sap our energy, prevent concentration and the marshaling of our mental and creative faculties.

People with self-confidence have a decided edge in any situation. When their preparation equals their confidence, success is assured.

The timid soul will never accomplish much in life. You have the power to transform yourself from fearful to confident. When a problem (or as I like to prefer to call them a challenge) arises, don't panic,

consciously tell yourself to relax, calm your mind and quiet your emotions.

Your mind and body will obey a confident command. Speak with authority to awaken the powers of confidence and creativity that reside within you. Use your inner resources in assisting you to achieve your goals and aspirations.

Take charge of your life by taking command of your thoughts, feelings, mental images and words. Remember, courageous people are those who overcome their fears to accomplish what has to be done.

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