

COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Attention Las Vegas! Come join Las Vegas' finest professionals at First Friday's of Las Vegas monthly mixer, 6-9 pm, Alexis Park Resort and Spa. For more information please call 681-8515.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

3rd Annual Firefighters vs Police Soccer Shootout, 7 pm, at UNLV's Peter Johann Memorial Soccer Field. Half-time show by Metro's K-9 Unit. Snack stands and concessions. Call 383-2888, \$3 per person.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Southern Nevada Group of the Sierra Club Meeting, 7 pm, Clark County Library, Flamingo and Maryland Parkway. Program Topic: "Red Rock Management Plan- the Real Story". Public invited. 873-7117..... The Southern Nevada Chapter of the AAFES Retired Employees Association (AREA) Dinner Meeting, 5:30 pm, Big Bob's Boy (formerly Shoney's), 2131 Rock Springs Drive. Reservations by Friday, September 3rd necessary. Call Jerry Greenberg at 658-1153.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Women's Democratic Club of Clark County Meeting, 11:45 am, Lawry's The Prime Rib, East Flamingo and Howard Hughes Parkway. Guest Speaker: Mayor Oscar Goodman. Please call 615-4522 for reservations.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

School of Ushering, 7 pm, Greater New Jerusalem Baptist Church, 1100 "D" Street. All ushers are asked to attend on Friday and Saturday, September 11 at 10 am. For more information please call 648-1784.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

New Member Meeting for The Professional Black Women's Alliance, 10 am, West Las Vegas Library Conference Room. The Alliance is a community based social organization. Mentoring, training and network for all women. Call Lillian McMorris, President at 631-0000..... Arts in the Park Festival at Eldorado, International Children Dance Concert on Saturday & Sunday, September 11th & 12th, 11 am - 6 pm, Eldorado Park, 5900 Camino Eldorado Blvd. & Tropical Parkway. Arts & Crafts, Bands and Food..... Pacific Islands Festival '99, 8 pm, Charleston Heights Arts Center Ballroom, 800 South Brush Street. Featuring three events, the Holoku Ball, the Brothers Cazimero in concert and Ho'olaulea 99 as well as the Royal Court Ceremony. Tickets \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door; semi-formal attire is suggested. Reservations can be made for tables of eight. Call 229-6383 or Ticket Master.

ONGOING

Theater Class for Teens by the Clark County Parks and Recreation's Winchester Community Center. Intended to launch an ongoing teen theater ensemble called the Arts Train Players. Classes Wednesdays from 3 pm to 5 pm for nine weeks, beginning September 29. Public performance in the Winchester Theater on Tuesday, November 23, 5:30 pm. Cost \$20 Call 455-7340..... 8th Annual Garden Party Welcome, A reception sponsored by the Las Vegas Alliance of Black School Educators for new and returning CCSD Employees, October 3 at the Desert Inn Hotel, 3 - 7 pm. Principals may request a limited number of complimentary tickets for their new employees. RSVP. All other employees may purchase tickets from LVABSE members at their schools. Proceeds will be given in scholarships. \$10, Contact Susie Scott at 733-0780 or Jeri Cooper at 671-6200..... The first West Las Vegas Arts Center Music Talent Show will offer community musical artists an opportunity to compete for various prizes including a professionally produced compact disc single of two of their songs. All ages welcome. Registration September 13 - October 5, \$10 fee. Show will be held October 8 and admission is free. Call 229-4800 for info.... UMC's CCSN Quick Care is offering sports physicals for \$26.25 all through the month of September (afternoons only, Monday - Friday). To make an appointment, please call 383-6290. Quick Care is located at 6375 West Charleston Blvd. (corner of Charleston and Torrey Pines)..... "FFIP" is a support group for friends and family of incarcerated persons, meetings at 2000 South Maryland Parkway, meeting room #1, Christ Episcopal Church. Call 314-5463 for more info..... The Las Vegas-Clark County Library District is seeking volunteers interested in becoming literacy tutors, Las Vegas Library, 833 Las Vegas BLVD No. At the 3-day literacy tutor training workshop, volunteers will learn about the Library District's Computer Assisted Literacy in Libraries (C.A.L.L.) Program, be introduced to methods of instruction and receive training in how to be an effective tutor. Call 382-3493, extension 216..... "Dressing Up", a new exhibit by award winning painter Susanne Forestieri, The Winchester Center Gallery, 3130 S. McLeod Dr. The exhibit will be on display through October 9. Artist reception September 9, 6 - 8 pm. Public welcome..... Nevada Theatre Company presents, Baltimore Waltz by Paula Vogel, October 1 - 17. Clark County Library Jewel Box Theatre, 1401 E. Flamingo Rd. Fridays and Saturdays at 8 pm, Sundays at 2 pm. Baltimore Waltz is a dizzying, comedic tale of a girl's valiant attempt to keep her brother's spirit alive. Her brother has died of AIDS. Call 873-0191 for info. and reservations..... NAACP-Las Vegas Branch Executive Committee Meetings, 6:30 pm, 3925 Martin Luther King Ste. 217, No. LV, Hidden Canyon Plaza. General Membership Meetings, 2nd Saturday of each month, 12 pm. Any Questions Please Call 657-0599.

Brazil

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which has twice as many African Americans as in the U.S.

However, Brazil also represents a doubling of the potential market for products, ranging from books and music to personal care products.

We have the benefit of several decades dealing with such concepts as affirmative action and can share some of the pitfalls.

Most underdeveloped is the financial services sector which presents an opportunity to finance entrepreneurs locked out of their internal markets and creating such institutions as mutual funds. Compared to Trinidad and Tobago, where more than 200,000 individual

investors in an unit investment trust, there are limited financial means for Black Brazilians to use their economic clout.

Unlocking the Brazilian market is also a key to the expansion of trade for the African continent.

Most Brazilians see their country as European, but as more learn about their African roots, they will look to visit places like Angola, Mozambique and Nigeria with language or heritage ties. Creating those links is also a role that U.S. Blacks can assume.

At the end of this 500-year cycle, we must set up a new triangular trade that turns the Diaspora into a business benefit. At some point, Brazilian officials will see

that trade alliances with Africa are a much more useful way to spark economic growth than continued indebtedness to the International Monetary Fund.

Brazil is a large export market that African manufacturers sorely need. Our ignorance of the potential of Bahia and Brazil is clearly

a case of not being able to see the forest for the trees.

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is playing politics with your money."

Clinton typically tapes the radio address in advance. But he delivered the brief speech live Saturday at Edgartown School before an audience of Martha's Vineyard residents who helped White House staff and reporters during the Clintons' vacation this week.

The Clinton family then left the island for a house-hunting trip to Westchester County, N.Y., near New York City, and a weekend of fund-raising parties in the wealthy seashore suburbs of Long Island.

NOTICE

Solicitation for Nominations from Community Based Organizations for the Southern Nevada Workforce Development Board

The Southern Nevada Job Training Board is soliciting nominations for members to sit on the Workforce Investment Board as mandated by the Workforce Investment Act signed into law August 8, 1998. This board will set policy in the Southern Nevada Workforce area, consisting of the counties of Clark, Nye, Esmeralda, and Lincoln and the cities of Las Vegas, North Las Vegas, Henderson and Boulder City. The majority of the board will be composed of representatives from local business with the balance derived from educational entities, labor organizations, community based organizations, economic development agencies, and a group of social service agencies including welfare, employment security, veterans administration, and vocational rehabilitation.

In order to insure the board functions with power and authority sufficient to fulfill the intent of the act, persons nominated "shall be individuals with optimum policy making authority within the organizations, agencies, or entities" they represent.

The Southern Nevada Workforce Investment Board has eight primary functions:

- 1) The responsibility for the development of a local strategic workforce investment plan.
- 2) The selection and certification of one-stop centers; the identification of eligible providers of youth activities, based on recommendations of the Youth Council; the identification of eligible providers of training services for adult and dislocated workers; the identification of eligible

providers of intensive workforce development intensive services.

3) The development and administration of budgets for the purposes of carrying out the duties of the local Board.

4) The conducting of oversight activities with respect to local programs of youth activities and local employment and training activities for adults and the one-stop delivery system.

5) Negotiate and reach agreement on local performance measures with elected officials and the Governor.

6) Assist the Governor in the development of the statewide employment statistics system.

7) Coordinate the workforce investment activities carried out in the local area with economic development strategies and develop other employment linkage.

8) Promote the participation of private sector employers in the statewide workforce investment system and ensure connecting, brokering and coaching activities through intermediaries such as the one-stop operations in the local area or through other organizations.

Nomination forms may be obtained from Nevada Business Services at 920 West Owens, Las Vegas or may be downloaded from the Internet at nbsworks.org. Please forward nomination forms along with the resumes of persons you feel meet this criteria by September 10, 1999 to:

Southern Nevada Job Training Board
c/o Nevada Business Services
P.O. Box 270429
Las Vegas, NV 89127

For questions, please call 638-8750.