

Bike tour to raise funds for illness

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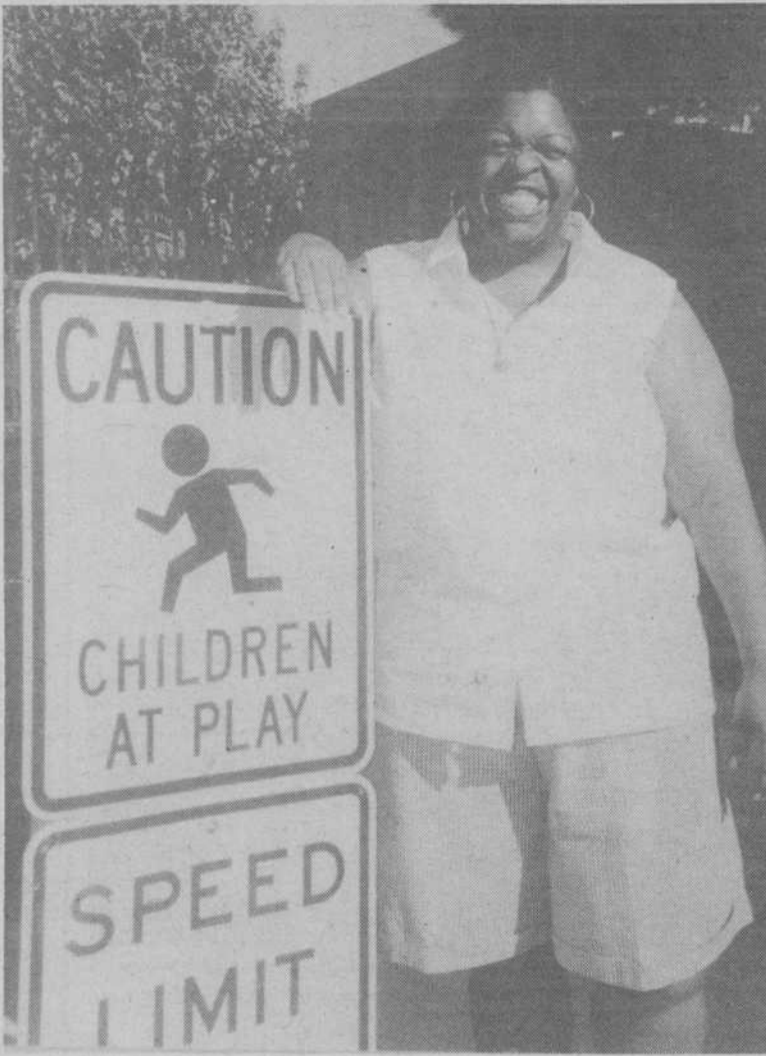
Hear ye, hear ye, calling all cyclist enthusiast to participate in the 14th annual Multiple Sclerosis (MS) 150 Bike Tour September 18 & 19 from Desert Heat to Mesquite. Registration is \$25 and all participants must raise a minimum of \$150 in pledges.

MS is a chronic disease which attacks the central nervous system and may cause blindness, weakness, and paralysis which is a loss of all muscle control. There are over 1,000 people in southern Nevada that suffer from this terrible disease.

60 percent of the proceeds raised will provide services and educational materials to victims of MS right here in Clark County. The other 40 percent will go to nationwide research to put an end to MS.

The course is designed to accommodate pit stops for drinks and snacks every 10 to 12 miles as well as fully catered meals for the two day event. For more information please call 736-7272.

Mother turns to outreach to save community



Sentinel-Voice photo by Ramon Savoy

Karen Sewell took neighborhood improvement into her own hands. Among the things she and her C.U.P. organization are fighting for are safer streets for children in North Las Vegas.

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Karen Sewell, a single mother of four boys, took a good look at her community and felt she had to make a difference.

Sewell lives on Donna Street, a North Las Vegas street made infamous over the years for a rash of gang violence, crime and drugs. With a mother's determination, Sewell has championed change. And it's working.

"Kids over here (North Las Vegas) miss out on a lot of things," she said. "They don't have access to information because this is a high-risk area and transportation is a problem."

In July she founded C.U.P. (Community Unity With Pride). The group's mission: "To grow with our city, to promote civic-mindedness, with compassion and continued humanity and perform positive duties within."

"I want to remain an independent organization," Sewell said. "I don't want to follow any other organizations guidelines."

Though the organization has yet to leap off paper and into defined outreach, its founder said areas addressed will include art, culture, recreation and moral and educational support, things she

says too many North Las Vegas children don't get.

Sewell organized a back-to-school fair at Cahlan Elementary, drawing more than 350 children, all of whom received free crayons, pencils, notebooks, rulers, hot dogs and sodas.

"I thought it was wonderful," said Janet McClellon, a Clark County School District student success advocate for the Title I program.

Title I is a federally funded program aimed at assisting at-risk students. C.U.P. currently has three members: David Osman and husband and wife team Aaron and Danita Hansel.

"She (Sewell) feels that she needs to do this," said David Osman, president and co-founder of Nevada Youth Alliance established in 1996 after the fatal shooting of rap star Tupac Shakur. "This is going to be a refreshing movement."

C.U.P. officials said the group wants to enhance the community outreach services available and serve as an information highway for the uninformed.

"My goal is to uplift the kids and the parents as well," Sewell said, and to "let people in NLV know what services are accessible to them." Those interested can call 633-5845.

Rebels

(Continued from Page 1) the fumble at the 1 and Thomas picked up the ball 1 yard deep in the end zone. Then he scampered down the left sideline untouched, racing past a jubilant UNLV bench as 32,272 fans stood stunned and dazed. Baylor players were left kneeling on the field, some of them with their heads buried in the turf.

Thomas officially was credited with a 99-yard return. There was no extra point.

The victory for UNLV (2-0) under new coach John Robinson was its first ever against a Big 12 opponent. The loss denied new Baylor coach Kevin Steele his first win.

The Rebels, who last week snapped a 16-game losing streak and a 26-game road losing streak with a victory at North Texas, got a pair of touchdown passes from Jason Vaughan to Nate Turner.

Vaughan finished 17-of-27 for 192 yards. Five of the completions went to Turner, who wound up with 85 yards receiving.

It's the first time the Rebels have won two non-

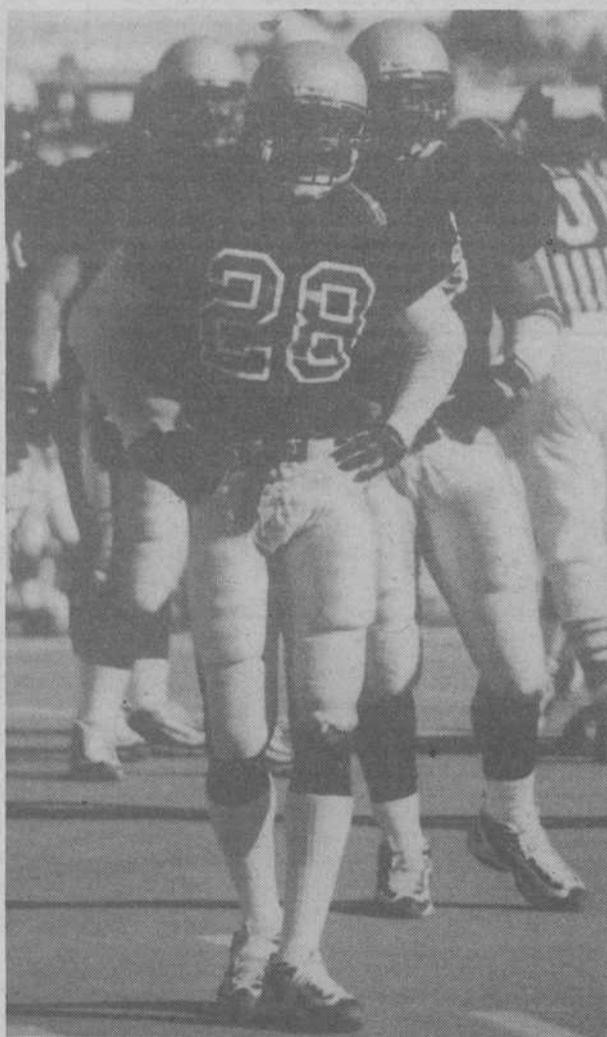


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Defensive back Kevin Thomas returned a fumble 99 yards to give the Rebels a 27-24 victory over Baylor last weekend.

conference games on the road in a season since 1982. Jermaine Alfred threw for one touchdown and ran for a second for Baylor, which lost its eighth straight.

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