

# COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

West Las Vegas Pioneers, a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of Black history cordially invites you to attend the opening of the incubator African American Cultural Center. It's designed to tell the exciting history of the impact of African Americans in Las Vegas, the current conditions of the Westside and to unveil specific future plans for the development of Jackson Street. Open House: 9 am Press Conference: 10 am with light refreshments till 5 pm. 1312 "F" Street at Jackson Avenue. Call 646-4700 for further information.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7**

Internet Class, 6 pm, North Las Vegas Library, 2300 Civic Center Drive. How should you sign on the Net? Which search engine is easiest to use? How can you find people on the Net? Questions, call 633-1070.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8**

West Las Vegas Arts Center Hosts Talent Show, 7 pm, West Las Vegas Arts Center Amphitheatre, 947 West Lake Mead Blvd. All forms of music performance are welcome. Registration forms available \$10.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9**

Spend a Day with the Experts, 9 am - 3 pm, Desert Demonstration Gardens, 3701 W. Alta Drive. Opportunity for area residents to participate in short lectures, workshops and demos conducted by local landscaping, irrigation and gardening experts. First 500 visitors will receive a free gardening bag and plant. Call 258-3205..... Age of Chivalry Renaissance & Celtic Festivals Planned, Sunset Park, 2601 E. Sunset Rd., 10 am to 5 pm. October 10 also. The event kicks off on Friday, October 8, 6:30 pm with a free Celtic Rock Concert. Call 455-8200 for more info..... Las Vegas-Clark County Library 1999 Storytelling Festival, 3 pm - 7 pm, Rainbow Library Amphitheater, 3150 N. Buffalo Drive. Angela Davis, Queen Esther and others will spin tales of adventure that motivate and capture the imagination of audiences both young and old. Free! For more info. call 243-7307.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10**

"Women-From Silence to the Pulpit", 7 pm, The Baha'i Center, 7035 W. Oakey at Rainbow. There will be representatives of the world's major religions. Free and open to the public! To reserve a seat or for additional information please contact NCCJ at 387-6225.

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12**

The Alzheimer's Video Series For Family Caregivers, 3 - 4 pm, Avalon Health Estates, 7450 Del Rey Avenue. The Alzheimer's Association provides useful techniques and valuable information for family members, friends and caregivers. Free!

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13**

Medically Speaking: "New Technology in Breast Biopsy", 1:30 - 3 pm, MountainView Senior Friends: 8524 Del Webb Boulevard. Event open to members and non-members. Call 255-5404 to make your reservation.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14**

Women in Communications Luncheon to present Noted Author and Chairman of Blublocker Corporation: Sugarman, 11:30 am: Networking, 12 Noon: Luncheon, Palace Station Hotel & Casino. Sugarman is considered one of the most successful direct marketing gurus of all time. Tickets \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. RSVP to Susan Spurlock at 736-3750..... 1999 Annual Social Worker Conference, Casa Blanca Resort, Mesquite. Nevada's largest gathering of social workers, human service professionals and health care providers on October 14 - 16. Keynote speaker: Dana La Mon, a world motivational speaker/author and guest appearance by Rep. Shelley Berkley. Workshops, 25 choices and more. Call 791-872 to register.

**ONGOING**

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## Possible AIDS drug shows promise

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A medicine that blocks the AIDS virus from getting inside cells is showing promise among patients who fail to respond to standard AIDS drugs.

"It looks quite good," said Dr. Michael Saag, of the University of Alabama. "We are looking at something with a totally different method of action. It is an important, potent new option."

The medicine, code-named T-20, is still in early-stage testing, but researchers said it could offer a reprieve for those who have run out of options.

The drug is the furthest along of a new class of AIDS medicines called fusion inhibitors.

They work by thwarting the virus' ability to fuse with blood cells and insert their

genetic material into them.

However, the treatment has one large drawback compared with other AIDS drugs — instead of being a pill, it must be injected twice daily. Nevertheless, Saag said patients in advanced stages of AIDS are willing to give themselves shots, and seem to tolerate the drug well.

The results were reported by Dr. Jay Lalezari of Quest Clinical Research in San Francisco at a meeting of the American Society for Microbiology.

Other AIDS drugs work principally by thwarting the virus' ability to stitch its genetic material into cells it has invaded or by blocking its ability to disperse mature copies of itself.

Doctors gave T-20 to 55 people who had high levels of the AIDS virus despite

trying many different combinations of AIDS medicines. While these standard drugs have proved to be life savers for many with AIDS, they do not work for all patients.

Doctors administered T-20 in combination with other drugs, even though the patients' HIV was resistant to the older medicines. After four months of treatment, virus levels fell significantly in 33 of the volunteers. In 20 of them, the virus fell to levels too low to be measured.

Saag cautioned the treatment is unlikely to work forever.

But he said doctors hope it will delay rebound of the virus for perhaps a year.

T-20 was discovered at Duke University. It is being developed by Hoffmann-La Roche Inc. and Trimeris Inc., a small biotech company in Durham, N.C.

T-20 is part of the protein that makes up the AIDS virus' outer coat. Ordinarily it comes into play with another peptide — T-21 — as the AIDS virus grabs onto blood

cells and prepares to enter them. Scientists found that flooding the body with extra copies of T-20 gums up this attachment process.

Another AIDS study released at the meeting found treatment very early in the course of an AIDS infection does not wipe out the virus entirely, as some had hoped.

Dr. Martin Markowitz of the Aaron Diamond AIDS Research Center in New York City reported on four patients who started treatment within seven to 90 days of catching HIV. All signs of their virus disappeared, and they chose to stop therapy after three years.

The virus reappeared within two to three weeks. One patient went back on treatment, but the three others stayed off. After shooting up, their virus levels fell again to low but detectable levels.

Researchers said the results raise the possibility that in such situations, the body's immune system may be able to keep HIV in check without completely eliminating it.

## Waco

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really the one ultimately responsible for giving the OK to the assault.

But if one thing emerges from all the testimony and reports, it is that the Attorney General was thoroughly bamboozled by the FBI.

Bill Johnson, a prosecutor from the U.S. Attorney's office in San Antonio involved in the original and new investigations, recently wrote Ms. Reno a warning that aides misled her about the role of Federal agents in the assault: "I have formed the belief that facts may have been kept from you — and quite possibly are being kept from you even now — by components of the department."

If the goal is now to investigate law enforcement abuses, it would be fruitful to focus the inquiry on how it was that the FBI fed the Attorney General selective information to support the course of action they had already settled on, how the American people were misinformed and misled and how the partisan agendas of both political parties fueled a bi-partisan cover-up of one of the most shameful and destructive abuses of constitutional rights ever in American history.

Lenora B. Fulani is currently a leading activist in the Reform Party and chairs the Committee for a Unified Independent Party.

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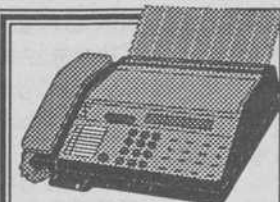
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## ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY BOARD OF CLARK COUNTY WIC NUTRITIONIST

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