

# COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

**Beyond the Neon** is hosting a Performing & Visual Arts Camp 2001 Finale, with the theme *The Turning Point: What Cha Gonna Do*, at the West Las Vegas Library Theatre beginning at 2pm. A reception will be followed immediately at the West Las Vegas Arts Center. This event is free and open to the public. For more information call 229-4800. **Assemblyman Wendell P. Williams & Councilman Lawrence Weekly** will honor college students with a scholarship luncheon called *Black 2 The Future*, beginning at 12pm at H & H Bar B Que, 910 N. Martin Luther King Blvd. A \$20 donation is needed. For additional information call House Of Flavor at 636-0343.

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 7

The Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department will mark its 18th annual National Night Out from 7-9pm, with free community block parties in the jurisdiction of four area commands, Freedom Park, West Flamingo Park, Cambridge Community Center, and the Northwest Command substation at 9580 W. Cheyenne. For more information call 229-3394.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 8

The Nevada Association for Female Executives and Entrepreneurs and Action International would like to invite you to play *Leverage, the Game of Business*. The cost is \$25 per person, and will be held at the Terrace, 1361 East Warm Springs. For more information call 990-8561.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 9

Clark County Family & Youth Services presents S.T.E.P.S., a Talent Show & Record Industry Showcase, hosted by Galaxy Glen at the West Las Vegas Library Theatre from 6pm to 9pm. There will be rappers, soloist's groups, dancers, comedians, and more. All ages are welcome. For more information call 455-0722. **Community Baptist Church** will have its monthly meeting with the Men of Valor beginning at 6pm, located at 245 East Foster Avenue in Henderson. For more information call 565-0071. **St. Judes Ranch for Children** presents "Desert Ice Storm" a benefit for the athletic department of St. Judes Ranch for Children in Boulder City, located at the Las Vegas Ice Gardens, 3896 Swenson, from 3pm - 10pm. There will be lots of activities going on throughout day. For more information call 294-7100.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 10

The City of Las Vegas Nevada will host the Las Vegas All-Star Jazz Band Outdoor Concert, at the Sammy Davis Jr. Festival Plaza in Lorenzi Park, beginning at 8pm. For more info contact 229-6211.

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

**Keeping the Dream Alive Association & The Ministers and Pastors Counsel** are honoring the three oldest black pastors of the state of Nevada, at the EverGreen Missionary Baptist Church, 1915 Lexington Street, beginning at 3pm. For more information call 649-6511. **Holy Trinity A.M.E Church** will present their Women's Day Celebration, located at 700 Lola Avenue at 2pm. For further information call 877-0790.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

It's A Kids Affair 2001 will take place at the Cheyenne Campus of Community College from 10am- 5pm. For info call 459-3868.

## ONGOING

The Las Vegas Little Theater, 3844 Schiff Center Dr., offers the Children's Acting workshop held every Saturday from 11a.m. - 12:30p.m. The workshop will feature training in theater, film and television for children ages 7 to 17. Parents can call the Creative Talent Agency for information at 737-0611. **The Southern Nevada Chapter of the Lupus Foundation of America Inc.** meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month inside the Sunrise Hospital doctors' conference room, 3187 S. Maryland Parkway, from 7-9p.m. Participants will discuss a variety of subjects about lupus in an effort to educate and support lupus sufferers. Call 566-1425 for additional details. **The West Las Vegas Arts Center**, 947 West Lake Mead Blvd., invites the community members to share the history, traditions and customs during the monthly "Voices of the African Diaspora," at 6p.m. The host will be Hasani Kefing Palacio. Participants are encouraged to participate in a discussion of pertinent, contemporary issues experienced by African Americans. "Voices of the African Diaspora" is a free presentation by the Cultural and Community Affairs Division of the City of Las Vegas Department of Leisure Services. This program is provided to the community every first Tuesday of each month. Call 229-4800 for additional details regarding this event. **Family Home Hospice** is offering ongoing training for volunteers. Volunteers will provide emotional support to terminally ill patients, care-giving respite, errand running, companionship and socialization for and caregivers, office help and assistance with the hospice's bereavement program. Call 671-1193 to register for an upcoming training session. **The Las Vegas Fibromyalgia Syndrome/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Support Group** will hold meetings every second Tuesday at Desert Springs Hospital, 2075 E. Flamingo Rd., from 5-5p.m. Participants are advised that this is a smoke-free and fragrance-free meeting due to individuals that suffer from chemical sensitivity. Call 645-2153 for more information. This is a free event.

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## Bond

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In fact, the same week, another survey on race relations was released by the Gallup organization, which substantiated the differences in Black/White responses.

It illustrated gaping differences of at least 30 percentage points on such issues as whether Blacks were treated fairly in the community in which they lived, whether Blacks were treated fairly in the nation, whether or not Blacks experienced equal access to education and housing opportunities and whether racial profiling of Blacks occurred.

Thus, Julian Bond was

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(Continued from Page 9) have also left psychological scars on past generations of Black children who American society treated like racial untouchables. Novelist Richard Wright in his memorable essay, "The Ethics of Living Jim Crow," remembers the time he accepted a ride from a "friendly" White man. When the man offered him a drink of whiskey, Wright politely said, "oh no." The man punched him hard in the face and called him a racial epithet. The pain from the blow would pass, but the pain from the word stayed with him forever.

Comedian Richard Pryor understood this. At one time, the irreverent Pryor had practically made a career out of using profanity and racially offensive words, particularly the "N" word, in his routines. But then he had an epiphany. He told a concert audience that he would not use the "N" word, or other racially offensive words again. The audience was stunned. Pryor softly explained that these words were profane and disrespectful. He was dropping them because he had too much pride in Blacks and himself. The audience applauded. Pryor was as good as his word.

Those Blacks who aim intense fire at Lopez should go rent the tape of that concert. They will see why they must aim the same fire at Black entertainers who make a fetish out of using racially degrading words as they do at Lopez.

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speaking truth—not only as he knew it, but in the sense that he represented the views of the overwhelming portion of the Black community. In doing so, I note with some satisfaction, he took the challenge that I threw down the week before, to measure up to the leadership integrity of a Frederick Douglass who spit in the eye of American celebrations of the Fourth of July as a time when it also honored the practice of slavery.

Bond's assessment set off a great hand-wringing session by the media, which wonder what more Bush could do and whether this will "hurt" the NAACP. Sure enough, Bond (and I do not hesitate to think that this was a coordinated strategy in which Kweisi Mfume was involved) took a risk because access to the White House

has always been a staple of the civil rights leaders as a way to prove their legitimacy to lead.

However, such access has become very difficult to obtain in the past two decades when more conservative administrations, hostile to civil rights, have been in the White House. So I'm sure they're thinking, "What is there to lose with Bush?"

I am also sure that Bush's advisers are thinking what does he have to lose if the NAACP pulls his coat. They didn't vote for him anyway? But then, Bush has the responsibility to lead the nation—all of it—and so far, he doesn't seem up to the task.

Ronald Walters, a political science professor at the University of Maryland at College Park.

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are just as important as the truth. People see and believe what they want. We have to ask ourselves why are they not getting the message? Perhaps we are not explaining it the right way, and if we cannot explain it well, it may well be we do not fully understand it ourselves.

These are just a few ideas on moving beyond race; there are many more. I don't claim to have all the answers, but the solutions laid out above are steps in the right direction. Working together, honestly and in good faith, will bring us closer to our goal.

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