

# Ques host fifth annual wine taste

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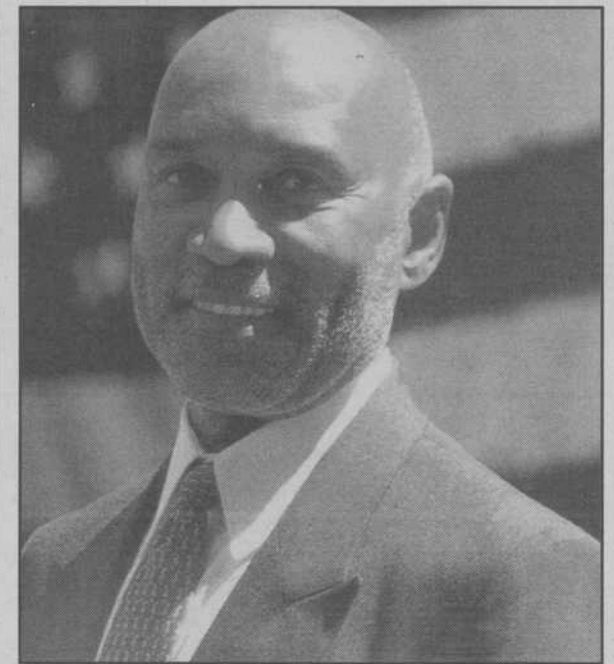
The Kappa Xi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., will host its 5th Annual Wine Taste philanthropic fundraiser from 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, 2004, at the Las Vegas National Golf Club, 1911 E. Desert Inn Road. Advance tickets are \$45 per person; the cost is \$50 at the door. Tables of 10 are \$400. Those interested in tickets can call (702) 245-1309.

Proceeds from the event support Kappa Xi Chapter's civic service initiatives, which include annually awarding scholarships to academically talented high school seniors in Clark County. In partnership with Ronald McDonald House Charities, the chapter has awarded \$10,000 in college scholarships the past two years. For the past 15 years, the Chapter has run the Omega Gentlemen's Club, a

youth group for high school males. Each December, in conjunction with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., the Omegas host an economic summit. Other programs include donating educational supplies to at-risk schools, adopting families during Thanksgiving, conducting blood drives, hosting forums at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas and more.

Founded Nov. 17, 1911 on the campus of Howard

University in Washington D.C., Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., is an internationally acclaimed service organization. Established in 1976 in Las Vegas, the Kappa Xi Chapter strives to live up to the fraternity's motto, "Friendship is Essential to the Soul," its cardinal principles of Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance and Uplift to improve the lives of its members, fellow Las Vegas and the global community.



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- 34 YEAR RESIDENT OF LAS VEGAS
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  - PAST PRESIDENT OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL SOCIETY
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## Unity focus of day-long youth summit

### By Lés Pierres Streater Sentinel-Voice

In an effort to give the students an understanding and appreciation of people of different cultures and backgrounds, the Summer Business Institute held a daylong summit titled U.N.I.T.Y. earlier this month.

The acronym stands for Understand the Need to Invest in Tomorrow's Youth. More than 100 high school juniors and seniors from around the Las Vegas Valley gathered August 6 at Walnut Recreation Center near Pecos Road and Cheyenne Avenue to explore their differences and discover new things about other cultures.

The summit was sponsored by the Las Vegas Chapter of the Organization of Chinese Americans and Clark County Parks & Community Services and included a specially catered lunch featuring Asian fare and training with chopsticks. The roughly 112 youth who attended the summit worked this summer in internships provided through Clark County's Summer Business Institute program. Clark County, the Uni-



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Clockwise: Jacob Simmons, Baldomero Corona, Janna Corley, Lemnique Wafer and Breana Givens participate in a unity forum as part of the Summer Business Institute.

versity of Nevada Las Vegas, Clark County School District and numerous local businesses sponsored the SBI program.

Student Rainee Shaye-Sayles who interned with Nevada Minority Business Council attended the summit. She talked about her eight-week experience this summer as an intern. "Being involved in the program has been a wonderful

experience. I got to do a lot of different things," she said. "I helped to design the program book for the MBE showcase. I networked with a lot of major corporations in Nevada and made contact with exceptional individuals and mentors. I am taking away from this experience a lot of my social skills development, new networking techniques, and the ability to communicate better along with work

experience." Her peer Sharonda Fanning said, "This experience gave me a better perspective of teamwork, teambuilding, understanding and trusting others. In the workshops you learn about life skills and how to manage your money. On the job at ProServe Mortgage, I developed better skills to enable me to be a productive employee, and for the future (See Unity, Page 13)

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(Continued from Page 1) a positive influence in their own lives as well as the lives of others in the community that they are going to serve."

Fowler added, "I love attending affairs where there is a display of colorful balloons. After the cutting of the ribbon, there is a releasing of the multi-colored balloons, and I've noticed something about those balloons.

"These balloons that have been blown up with the same helium, made out of the same rubber and tied with the same roll of string, have an interesting pattern as it relates to their destiny. Some of these balloons soar through the sky as they soar out of sight and we never see them anymore.

Some of these balloons float up to the treetop level and they stop, and some of these balloons never make it off the ground."

He concluded, "It became apparent to me that this is like the lives of so many of us. If you think about it, you will find a common denominator in regards to those balloons. Some people you know have soared to the sky and they've become millionaires and movers and shakers of the community and have made an impact in their life and the lives of other people because they soared to the sky.

"Some people have made it to some mid-level position in their life and they are do-

ing okay but aren't doing exciting things with their life, and the others you know of never got their lives off the ground. They were no good back then, and they ain't no good now. That is the focus of my message for the young people tonight, do not waste your potential."

Following the keynote address, former SBI students Mariana Kihuen, a junior at Georgetown University, and Ambrose Sayles, a sophomore at Howard University, spoke about their experiences at college and the impact the SBI program had on their lives. Five current students spoke about the different aspects of the program: Shirley Stein spoke on the workshops

the students attended during the program; Jacob Simmons talked about the internship process; Mikole Nihipali spoke about the mentors; Hamlet Gonzalez talked about college preparation, and Brandon Campbell spoke about the community service element.

The students worked hard on their community service project to raise \$4,500 that was donated to two organizations chosen by the students who they felt contribute a lot to the community. The Salvation Army received a check in the amount of \$2,000 for their efforts, and Big Brother's and Sister's received a check in the amount of \$2,500.