

MAY 04

# WALKABOUT LUNCH

with Mayor Oscar Goodman



The WALKABOUT Lunch with Mayor Oscar Goodman was held at the Outback Restaurant on West Sahara. More than 50 people were in attendance - Fire Chief David Washington, Councilman Lawrence Weekly, Councilman Michael Mack, School Board Member Marcia Washington, Louise Overstreet with the Urban Chamber, Kim Russell with the HOB Foundation, and Nevada State Senate Candidate Steven Horsford, to name a few.

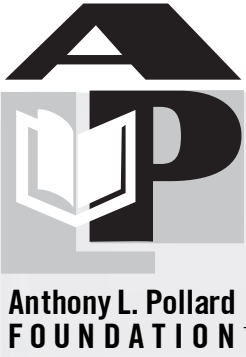
A special THANK YOU to Debbie and Tony Grappo for their generous donation. We look forward to this one again next year.



## Scholarships Awarded

RAINBOW DREAMS SCHOLARSHIPS were awarded to five high school seniors on May 21, 2004.

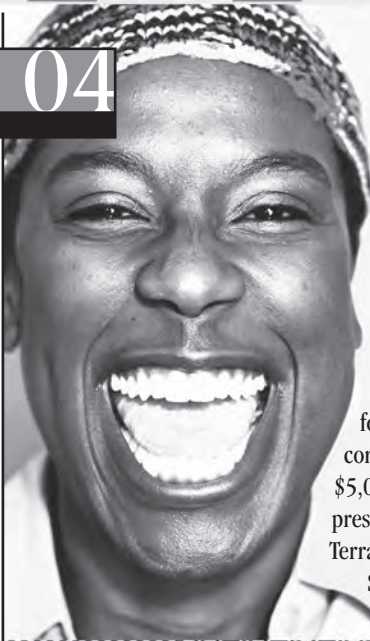
Recipients were:  
Keith Calhoun II  
Crystal Hemsley  
Terran Washington  
ShaRyan Brown  
Vincent Phillios



# PROGRESS

JUN 04

## LAS VEGAS JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION



*Juneteenth Celebration commemorates freedom from slavery following the Civil War.*

The Las Vegas JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION was held on the 19th at Sammy Davis, Jr. Plaza. This event was co-sponsored by V108 radio. The day was full of cultural music, activities and food. Albertsons food stores, our corporate sponsor, made a donation of \$5,000 and had representatives available to present one thousand dollar scholarships to Terran Washington and Sharyan Brown.

Southwest Airlines donated two round trip tickets and Jack Weinstein of

Tower of Jewels donated a diamond bracelet. Congratulations to Rebecca Cooper, our lucky car winner. Our *Image Awards* were presented to Karen Hopkins and Councilman Lawrence Weekly.

A special THANK YOU to V108 and Frank Woodbeck, Vice President and General Manager, for a donation of \$5000, proceeds from their Spades Tournament. The winners received an all expense trip to the Tom Joyner Family Reunion in Florida.

THANK YOU also, to Steve Bell and the generosity of Caesars Entertainment, for a donation of \$20,000 to our building fund and to Don Barden of Fitzgeralds Hotel & Casino for a donation of \$10,000.



## Xernona Clayton

Xernona Clayton has been employed at Turner Broadcasting System for over twenty-five years. She joined TBS Superstation in 1979 as a Documentary Specials producer and has served Turner Broadcasting System in a number of capacities over the years. She began hosting Open Up, a public affairs television program in 1981, and became the weekly program's full-time host/producer the same year. In 1982, Xernona was named Coordinator of Minority Affairs and served as the company's liaison with the minority communities and organizations. During her years in the Public Affairs Department, she created numerous award winning productions.

In 1988, Xernona Clayton was appointed Corporate Vice President for Urban Affairs with Turner Broadcasting System, Inc. In this capacity, she directed internal and external projects for the Corporation, and served as liaison between Turner Broadcasting (TBS SuperStation, CNN, Headline News, TNT, Atlanta Braves and Atlanta Hawks) and civic groups in Atlanta and across the country. As a corporate executive, Ms. Clayton was one of the highest ranking female employees in Turner Broadcasting System.

Her persistent fight against the dragons of prejudice and bigotry was never more apparant than in 1968, when the Grand Dragon of Ku Klux Klan denounced the Klan and accredited Xernona's influence with the change.

Prior to joining WTBS, Ms. Clayton was the nationally-acclaimed host of *The Xernona Clayton Show*, a regular feature on WAGA-TV, a CBS affiliate in Atlanta. Beginning her broadcast career in 1967, she became the South's first Black person to have her own television show.

As Governor of Georgia, former President Jimmy Carter appointed her to the State Motion Picture and Television Commission, making her the first woman and the first Black to serve on the initial Board. She was also the first woman and the first Black to serve as Commissioner of the three member Board of Review, the Appellate Board for unemployment compensation for the Georgia Department of Labor.

She has served on the Boards of the Martin Luther King Center, Atlanta Urban League, Southwest Community Hospital, and the Sickle Cell Disease Association of America. Ms. Clayton has also served as Guest Lecturer at Harvard University at the Institute of Politics for the Kennedy School of Government and as Chairperson of the Atlanta University Center Board of Trustees.

Underwritten by:  
**BANKWEST OF NEVADA**

JUL 04

## After-School Academy & Summer Program

We completed our third successful year at Kit Carson Elementary School with our After-School Program and the second year with our Summer Program. These programs focus on math, science, reading and technology. The six-week summer program ended on July 22nd with a pizza party.

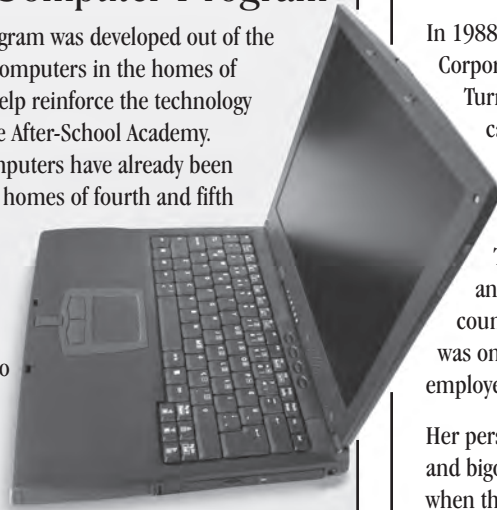
## Rainbow Dreams Academy Charter School Petition APPROVED

The proposed RAINBOW DREAMS ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL COMMITTEE has completed the charter school petition and it has been approved by the Nevada Department of Education. The next step is to submit the petition to the Clark County Public School District for recommendations and approval.

## Home Computer Program

This new program was developed out of the need to put computers in the homes of students to help reinforce the technology piece with the After-School Academy. Fourteen computers have already been placed in the homes of fourth and fifth grade Kit Carson Elementary students.

THANK YOU to the J. Stuart Halden Charitable Foundation for its \$15,000 donation to our building fund and for caring so much about our youth .



*Access to technology will prepare children for a world dependant on it.*

AUG 04

## ANTHONY L. POLLARD FOUNDATION has been awarded two grants:

**\$269,800 - City of Las Vegas CDBG**

**\$75,000 - Clark County Funds**

*Thank you to Clark County Commissioner Yvonne Atkinson-Gates for her assistance.*

These 2004/2005 County 20B Funds will be used for:

DEMOLITION & ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN for Rainbow Dreams Academy



SEP 04

## ART for EDUCATION

ART FOR EDUCATION will be held this year on September 23rd and 24th at Bally's Hotel and Casino at 6:00 pm. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Rainbow Dreams Scholarship Fund. Two years ago, the Foundation formed a partnership with Ronald McDonald House in a match program. With their match of funds, the Foundation has been able to award \$20,000 to five high school seniors these past two years.



## Xernona & Friends

will be held at  
**BALLY'S LAS VEGAS**  
on **SEPT 25**

Ms. Clayton's audience will experience living history and historical moments in a private setting. It is a once in a lifetime experience.

*An elegant exhibit of renown artists - proceeds that benefit education.*

The goal of the Anthony L. Pollard Foundation is to teach the youth of today that through family unity, belief in themselves and the ability to succeed, taking responsibility for themselves and those less fortunate and pride in their heritage, they can work together to build stronger communities for generations to come. It is a small, but valuable, step in helping to build a stronger, healthier, friendlier America.



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## Our Thanks

### Dr. Anthony & Diane Pollard

We established the Anthony L. Pollard Foundation in 1996 as a means to raise funds for worthwhile social and education programs in our community. Our vision evolved over the years and so have our many programs. Today The Foundation is facing its biggest challenge – to fund the building of Rainbow Dreams Academy, a post secondary school that blends ethnic studies into a comprehensive core curriculum. We have been blessed to receive grants from the City of Las Vegas and Clark County, however, it is the generosity of our private contributors that will make our dream a reality.

The Rainbow Dreams Academy building fund requires significant support. We thank all of the companies and individuals that have donated their time, resources, and funding. It is evident that we live in a community that truly cares about their youth and understands the positive affect the Academy will have on our community.

## Special Thanks to Our Committee

### Honorary Chairman

Mayor Oscar B. Goodman

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Honorable U.S. Congresswoman  
Shelley Berkley

Commissioner  
Yvonne Atkinson Gates

Councilman  
Lawrence Weekly

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Mr. & Mrs. Louis Overstreet

Ms. Karla Perez

Dr. & Mrs. Anthony Pollard

Dr. & Mrs. William Resh

Ms. Kim Russell

Ms. Roz Santangelo

Mr. Alan Sklar

Dr. & Mrs. Paul Stewart

Dr. & Mrs. John Thalgott

Mr. & Mrs. DC Toney

Mr. & Mrs. David Washington

Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Wiggins

Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Young

## RAINBOW DREAMS ACADEMY

# Giving Opportunities

Please join the Anthony L. Pollard Foundation in building the future home of the Academy. Donations may be paid over a three-year period, and gifts over \$100,000 may be structured over a five-year period. We invite your participation in helping to build our academy.

### NAMING OPPORTUNITIES

There are numerous naming opportunities available in the new academy.

Families/corporations/foundations may choose to donate to a specific space in a capital campaign; for example, donating \$60,000 to name the Library. A plaque will be placed in that specific room honoring the family, corporation or foundation donating the funds (or someone of their choosing) at the conclusion of the gift payment. Please contact the Corporate Office of the Capital Campaign 702.255.6659.

**Goal: \$3,119,130.96**

### UNRESTRICTED ENDOWMENT

Income generated from "unrestricted" endowment (dollar undesignated other than to general endowment) becomes the new and additional, sustaining resource for the annual operation of the Academy. Some of the areas where these non-restricted funds will be allocated include: faculty compensation, professional development, program support, classroom supplies, student uniforms, and non-capital equipment.



### RESTRICTED ENDOWMENT

A restricted endowment is the same in all ways as an unrestricted endowment, except the interest generated has been designated (restricted) to a specific area of the Academy budget. For example; summer camp or uniforms.

### NAME ENDOWMENTS

Individuals, families, and corporations may choose to create named endowments to honor and/or memorialize important people in their lives. The interest from these endowments will be designated to different areas of the budget. A minimum gift of \$50,000 is required for "naming" endowments and may be made over a period of three to five years. Please call the Corporate Office for assistance in creating a named endowment. "Endowment" - A capital corpus which is invested. Only the interest from the endowment fund is available and may be used for a designated purpose on an annual basis.

## Anthony L. Pollard FOUNDATION

The Anthony L. Pollard Foundation was formed thirteen years ago primarily to provide scholarships to disadvantaged high school seniors. The success of the Foundation led to a non-profit 501c3 status in 1998. Since its inception, the Foundation has donated books to the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority's graduate advisory training program, established the "Art for Education" auction, coordinated four Las Vegas Juneteenth Festivals and is in the process of creating the After-school Academy, a non-profit Saturday Academic Enrichment Program for elementary students.

Here are some of the programs supported by the Anthony L. Pollard Foundation and its sponsors;

### RAINBOW DREAMS SCHOLARSHIPS

Five "Rainbow Dreams" scholarships have been ceremoniously awarded each May to graduating high school seniors through the Clark County public school system. Last year we were pleased to award five \$4,000 scholarships. These scholarships are intended to assist students who have the desire but not the means to fully finance their continuing educational goals. The Foundation understands the value of a good education and is proud to play a part in offering this opportunity to the young people of our community.

### ART FOR EDUCATION

Each November the Foundation holds a two-day art event at the Four Seasons Hotel in Las Vegas. Original artwork, prints and sculptures by several artists are available for purchase. A portion of the sales revenue is donated to the Foundation by the host gallery for the benefit of the Rainbow Dreams Scholarship Program. **This event will be held this year at Bally's Hotel and Casino on Thursday and Friday, September 23rd and 24th.**

### JUNETEENTH

"Juneteenth" is the oldest known celebration of the ending of slavery. Dating back to 1865, it was on June 19th that the Union soldiers, led by Major General Gordon Granger, landed at Galveston, Texas with news of the Emancipation Proclamation and that all slaves were free. From its Galveston origin in 1865, the observance of June 19th as African American Emancipation day has spread across the United States and beyond. Today, Juneteenth commemorates African American freedom and emphasizes education, economic empowerment, and achievement. It is a day to celebrate!

The Fourth Annual Juneteenth Festival, a full-day event, was held at Sammy Davis, Jr. Plaza on June 19, 2004, from 3pm to 9pm. There were cultural and educational activities as well as guest speakers, family oriented fun, live name entertainment, prizes, exhibitor booths, traditional soul food, face painting, and children's activities.

The culmination of this event was a motor vehicle raffle, presentation of two \$1,000 book scholarships to essay contest winners, and presentation of the Image Awards to local educators and community leaders who are committed to enhancing the education of our youth. Proceeds will benefit the Rainbow Dreams Academy Building Fund.

### THE AFTER-SCHOOL ACADEMY

The After-school Academy is a non-profit Saturday academic enrichment program. Its pilot program began on February 1, 2002, at Kit Carson Elementary School, involving over 350 students in story-telling arts and humanities. Last fall fourth and fifth graders were involved in the Saturday program emphasizing education in math, science and technology with African American history interwoven throughout the curriculum, followed by a Summer School program Monday through

Thursday. Students receive breakfast and a healthy snack or lunch in addition to the academic program. The Academy's future plans include adding adult classes as part of its continued education program.

### HOME COMPUTER PROGRAM

The Home Computer Program is intended to compliment the classroom instruction. The Foundation is working with local businesses to refresh used computers and put them in homes of students enrolled in the Saturday and Summer School programs. Local businesses donate these computers and the Foundation rebuilds them and installs math, science and reading programs. Students and parents agree that the students will spend 30 minutes per day (Monday through Thursday) using the software provided to enhance their classroom learning.

### RAINBOW DREAMS ACADEMY

Plans are underway to build a 12,000 sq. ft. state-of-the-art facility in Las Vegas to house this proposed charter school. The original plans include seven classrooms with outdoor teaching areas, multi-purpose room, library, and administrative offices. The location was chosen to increase the educational choice in historic West Las Vegas while further contributing to the educational/recreational corridor that exists on Lake Mead Blvd. The faculty will be comprised of experts in their respective fields.

Education is the gateway to opportunity in the United States, and the Academy's long term goal is for its students to earn post-secondary degrees, obtain professional career-oriented employment, and serve their community as leaders and mentors. The Academy plans to equip students with a challenging academic curriculum that will prepare them for educational success and to become productive members of society.