

American GI Forum # 1

Veterans Family Organization

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TO: All G.I. Forum Members

FROM: Vicente Ximenes

I am concerned with the poor attendance of the meetings of the organization. Our last meeting on September 8, 1975 barely drew a quorum. Our membership list is large but participation at meeting's small. Therefore I am cancelling the September 22 regular meeting and calling a special meeting on Monday September 29th, at 7:30

This special meeting is to discuss attendance, participation and membership in the organization. No other matters will be discussed in this special meeting. Our regular meetings hereafter will be held as usual on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month.

WHITE HOUSE FELLOWSHIPS

Attached is a copy of the letter received from the President's commission on White House Fellowships. Anyone interested contact the G.I. Forum Office.

OFFICE HOURS

The City of Albuquerque Manpower Office approved a Secretary position for the G.I. Forum. The office at the G.I. Forum will be opened for business from 9-12 and 1-5 Monday thru Friday. Anyone wishing to conduct business may call during those hours or may visit the office.

NATIONAL GUARD CASES OF DISCRIMINATION

The G.I. Forum has accepted to support Emilio Sanchez and others in their complaint of discrimination against Colonel Sands of the Air National Guard. The case of Major Emilio Sanchez has been investigated by the National Guard Pentagon Office. Officials found in favor of Major Sanchez. The case is not over yet and reports will be given at meetings from time to time.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAM IN APS

The G.I. Forum is heavily committed to support the

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Coalition of Concerned Citizens. We have taken on a major task. We need all the support from members that we can muster. This is serious business and we must win our demands that equal employment be carried out by Mr. Ernest Stapleton and the APS School Board.

PETITION TO DENY FCC LICENCE TO KGGM

The FCC has accepted the petition of the CEETRUTH Coalition to hold a hearing. KGGM has objected to the hearing and asked that the hearing be cancelled. This is to remind the membership that we will meet our commitment to insist on a hearing before FCC to determine whether KGGM serves the minority community in a fair way.

ALFONSO PROO HONORED

G.I. Forum member Alfonso Proo, who recently retired from employment with the City of Albuquerque, has been selected by the Rocky Mountain Water Pollution Control Association for the Association's Collection System Award for 1975. The award recognizes Mr. Proo's work and professionalism for his work as line superintendent for the Liquid Waste Division. Only one person in the rocky mountain area receives this award every year.

Alfonso Proo is now Treasurer and newly appointed Club Manager of the G.I. Forum. CONGRATULATIONS ALFONSO.

JESS SANDOVAL SELECTED

G.I. Forum member Jess Sandoval, Director of the City of Albuquerque Human Rights Office has been accepted into the 1975-77 Management Masters Program at the Robert O. Anderson School of Business and Administrative Sciences at the University of New Mexico. During the two year program Jess will receive complete formal management training at the graduate level.

RUDY CHAVEZ

Rudy Chavez, H.E.L.P. Director and active member has been named Secretary of the G.I. Forum.