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By FRANK E. SCOTT
President, Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce

One of the first questions asked by newcomers to the Southern Nevada community is “how good is the public school system from kindergarten through college?” (In this case, Nevada Southern University). Contributing heavily to the idea that Clark County is a good place to raise boys and girls are competitive athletics, from interscholastic to intercollegiate. Many school systems and universities have found that competitive athletics spark academic programs and lead to the fullest development of the individual — which is what education is all about in the first place.

It is to Nevada Southern University’s credit that fundamental programs of physical education and competitive athletics were included when the then infant Las Vegas campus of the University of Nevada first opened its doors on Maryland Parkway almost 10 years ago. Students and members of the community have a fierce pride in Rebel basketball teams, and rightly so, because this type of competition has stimulated other local students to stay “at home” for their higher education and has attracted students from other states and areas to attend NSU.

There is little doubt that the best possible investment the community can make is in its schools which return rich dividends in the form of productive, civic-minded citizens. And, the competitive spirit derived from competitive athletics is a basic cornerstone on which to build a better community locally in the challenging times ahead.

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When guard Gene Burkauskas led College of St. Joseph (now University of Albuquerque) to an exciting victory in last year's championship round against Nevada Southern University, he joined a growing list of talented college basketball players selected as the "Most Valuable" of each tournament. The star of the Dons moved into select company with previous winners Sy Stepp, NSU (1964), Jim Hefner, Cal Western (1963), Tom Freese, Whittier (1962) and Tim Leonard, NSU (1961).

The showdown game for the championship of the Classic also proved as fitting a climax as was witnessed in the four previous finales with the New Mexico quaint stopping the Rebels, 65-61. Seven points has been the largest winning margin in the five-year history of the Classic's title contests and one of them (Occidental's cliff hanging 68-66 win over Whittier) even took two overtimes in 1962!

The Classic salutes these outstanding performers:

1965
ALL-TOURNAMENT: Clyde Dawson, NSU; Gene Burkauskas, Albuquerque; Zollo Dominquez, Albuquerque; Al Ratzis, Cal Western; Ed Clark, Portland; MVP—Burkauskas.

1964
ALL-TOURNAMENT: Silas Stepp, NSU; Tim Cunningham, Cal Western; George Asan, Western Wash. St.; Duane Hunter, Oxy; Roosevelt Lee, NSU. MVP—Stepp.

1963
ALL-TOURNAMENT: Duane Hunter, Occidental; David Shay, NSU; John Carlyle, Cal Western; Billy Cochran, N. Mex. Highlands; Jim Hefner, Cal Western. MVP—Hefner.

1962
ALL-TOURNAMENT: Tom Freese, Whittier; Larry Edwards, Occidental; Jim Hefner, Cal Western; Henry Ellis, Whittier, Chet Hildebrandt, NSU. MVP—Freese.

1961
ALL-TOURNAMENT: Norris Greenwood, Cal Western; Tim Leonard, NSU; Art Williams, Cal Poly, Pomona; Edgar Clark, Orange State; Jon Brettman, Orange State. MVP—Leonard.

RESULTS: (Championship) Albuquerque 65, NSU 43; (Consolation) Cal Western 60, Portland 37; (First Round) NSU 82, Cal Western 66; Albuquerque 77, Portland 64.

RESULTS: (Championship) NSU 64, Cal Western 57; (Consolation) Occidental 66, Western Wash. St. 55; (First Round) NSU 87, Western Wash. St. 61; Cal Western 57, Occidental 41.

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RESULTS: (Championship) Occidental 68, Whittier 66, 2 overtimes; (Consolation) NSU 65, Cal Western 57, overtime; (First Round) Occidental 61, Cal Western 49; Whittier 72, NSU 68.

RESULTS: (Championship) Orange State 80, Cal Poly, Pomona 73; (Consolation) NSU 57, Cal Western 49; (First Round) Cal Poly, Pomona 85, NSU 80; Orange State 47, Cal Western 57.

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FIRST Round (D) U of Albuquerque (L) 7:00 p.m.

SECOND Round (D) U of Nevada Southern U (L) 8:45 p.m.

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Third Round (D) Nevada Southern University (L) 8:45 p.m.

(g) indicates Light and Dark jerseys for all games; team with L will be home team on scoreboard.

TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

Director - Michael Drakulich

Official Timers - George Small

Official Scorers - Carl Smith

Referees - Furnished by the Southern California Basketball Officials Association and Southern Nevada Officials Association

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Even today, we'll bet again that you got big kick out of seeing a basketball hoop against the side of a garage or a barn door.

Brings back those wonderful days of youth, doesn't it?

Late fall afternoon, when light was failing and the wind was sharp, but you agreed to one more scrimmage.

Early spring, when the snow was still piled on the side, and the pavement was wet, or the driveway muddy, and dribbling was difficult, but you played a game of 21 with your buddies, anyway.

Mid-summer, on a day too hot for swimming, and the basketball field dominated by the big guys, when you got a group to play a fast game of three against three.

Watching the slim youngster with the waves of a natural athlete, and knowing that in coming years he would progress from learning the fundamentals to superb skills and high school stardom, followed by a great career in college.

Snow was still on the ground, but you agreed to another afternoon at the Court with the big guys, maybe.

The time you reported for high school varsity tryouts, and you and Buddy and Skinny and Hawk made the team.

Lackey noon horseplay. Pay talks at halftime as you chewed a piece of sliced orange. The first away trip with the team. The moment when uncounted thousands play and millions watch and enjoy this great game.

The comradship and loyalty you gained for the coach. The wonderful sound of the clack of a clean basket. The deep sigh of relief when you made a free throw.

Basketball — 75 Years Young

Basketball is invented.

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But the idea has gone.

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NSU FACTS AND FIGURES

Sports Information Director — Art Rader
Conference — NCAA Independent
Enrollment — 2,600
Nickname — Rebels
Colors — Scarlet and Gray

Roster

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(Permanent Host. Classic Record: 6-4, won championship in 1964)

SETTING THE RECORD(S) STRAIGHT

Two records were set and another equaled in last year’s tournament—the most important being a new single game high of 30 points meshed by Al Razutis of Cal Western to erase a four-year-old mark of 29 set by Orange State's Edgar Clark recorded in the initial classic. At the same time, former NSU great Sy Stepp became the tournament’s all-time leading scorer with 112 points in seven appearances for a 16.0 average.

For the record-minded, here’s a resume of previous efforts:

**INDIVIDUAL-GAME**
Most Points — 30, Al Razutis, Cal Western, 1965.
Most Field Goals — 13, Razutis, Cal Western, 1965.
Most Free Throws — 13, Don Helm, NSU, 1961.
Most FT Attempted — 14, Sy Stepp, NSU, 1962.

**INDIVIDUAL-TOURNAMENT**
Most Points — 52, Edgar Clark, Orange State, 1961.
Most FT Attempted — 21, Stepp, NSU, 1961-62.

**TEAM-GAME**
Most Points — 87, NSU, 1965.
Least Points — 37, Cal Western, 1961.
Least Field Goals — 37, Cal Western, 1961.
Most FT Made — 7, Cal Western, 1961-64, Portland, 1965.
Most FT Attempted — 41, NSU, 1963.
Least FT Attempted — 9, Cal Western, 1961.

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**TEAM-TOURNAMENT**
Most Points — 158, Cal Poly, Pomona, 1961.
Least Points — 86, Cal Western, 1961.
Most Field Goals — 85, Cal Poly, Pomona, 1961.
Most FT Made — 7, Cal Western, 1961.
Least FT Made — 12, Cal Western, 1961.

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