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in on the traditional three prayers for the first The children exchanged presents and were ecstatic. Jay forgot this was a holiday for children and he and Alice brought presents for the adults as well. Chanukah gelt was passed out. All were happy.

Bubbi then spread out a platter of over 100 latkes (potato pancakes) and the feast began. The joy and spirit in spending a holiday evening with family and friends began. But the best joy is watching the children as the expressions on their shining faces glow with the true spirit of the holiday.

A time for family. A time for latkes and wine. A time for reflection.

Seems like Chanukah in Las Vegas is pretty much the same as back east. The truth of the matter is that if we keep the traditions of the Jewish faith in tact, we not only feel better for it, but we pass on those traditions to our children.

True you could ride down the Las Vegas Strip and visit popular gambling casinos, the customers of same who all become instant athiests until they have had their fill of action. True you could talk to "Western" Jews who could care less if it were Chanukah or Boy Scout Week unless the holiday affected them financially. True you could chat with Jewish tourists who are more concerned with catching the late show of Rickles than stopping into the synagogue to pay homage to an important time of year.

You might not even think the Jewish residents of Las Vegas were so concerned about Chanukah or their faith in general. You would be wrong in that instance, however. Over 1,000 showed up at Las Vegas Temple Beth Sholom to honor

the beginning of the Festival of Lights. Here in this "so called" hard town of fast money, women and action, the Jewish residents keep the faith. The Temple's Hebrew and pre-school facilities are bursting to the seams. Friday night attendance at the Temple is excellent. But the big surprise is in the little ones. Children of dealers, pit bosses, gamblers and show folk all flock to Temple Beth Sholom to learn their Aleph-Base. The day of the Bar Mitzvah or Bat Mitzvah is as special a day here as it would be in Forrest Hills, N.Y., or Los Angeles.

The eight days of Chanukah here in Las Vegas are as full of fun and joy as we could remember from our childhood days.

This is as it should be.



Girls, music, girls, comedy, girls, dancing, girls: put them all together and they spell "Minsky's Burlesque '72, slated for a Christmas Eve opening at the Aladdin Hotel.

Producer Harold Minsky, long famed for his extravagant productions, has gone all out to prepare an outstanding revue for the Bagdad Theatre where every night will be fun night. With the new revue,

staged by Jerry Norman, the Aladdin will return to a twice nightly show policy, with reservations must, especially during the holiday season.

There will be striptease artists and burlesque sketches galore during the fast-paced revue with Rudi Eagan and his orchestra providing the musical backing.

Lavish, colorful costumes, designed by Josephine Speneddi, will partially cover the gorgeous bevy beauties in the production. Musical arrangements are by Ken Tiffany.

The highlight of the musical revue is expected to be an illusion whereby four separate stripteases are performed by eight girls. According to Minsky, "This has to be seen to be believed."

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