

# LAS VEGAS SHOWGASTE

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**LAS VEGAS**



**THE GLITTER GALLERY**...MARTY ALLEN opens Feb 17 at the Flamingo surrounded by the rave reviews he's been getting at sneak previews of his upcoming movie "A Whale of A Tale" co-starring WILLIAM SHATNER. Marty's last two movie performances, both on a serious level, have opened a whole new career up for the popular bushy haired comedy star. While he's at the Flamingo, Marty will be appearing via tapes on "The Hollywood Squares", "Mike Douglas", "Merv Griffin" and "Night Gallery"....Two of Vegas' favorite musical and singing groups have found favor with superstars that will keep them busy all thru the year. **THE ESTABLISHMENT** who played here so smashingly with PERRY COMO, ANN-MARGRET, ANDY GRIFFITH, LIBERACE, etc. will start a year long tour with ROBERT GOULET when he opens at the Sands on March 1. The group will stay with Bob at all his Hughes Hotels dates (the Frontier on March 23, and Desert Inn, Sands & Frontier dates in June, November & December) and his July-August summer circuit. **THE CELEBRATION**, opening at the Sahara Casbar Theater on Feb. 22, follow that with an April to October tour with ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK including a May outing at the Riviera's Versailles Room. The Celebration, now signed to Motown, will be recording prior to their Sahara stint....**THE GOOD HUMOR COMPANY**, now with BOBBY DARIN at the D.I., may bypass offers to be featured with other name headliners to do their own special thing - a new variety tv series. The new tv series is being prepped now for a pilot when the group closes here, Feb 21....**RIP TAYLOR** opens, officially, Feb 14 at the Sahara Casbar Theater. But Mondays are also Rip's day off, so he'll open for real on

Feb 15. Taylor, incidentally, rejoins his pal **DEBBIE REYNOLDS** for a March date in Miami. Debbie opens March 21 at the D.I. for the first of five Vegas appearances....

**ROUND TOWN**...**BILLY KAY & CHAPTER ONE** follow their current Frontier score by rolling right onto Denver's Regency Inn when they close Feb 16. Billy's entertaining brand of comedy, songs and dances is a solid bet for many more Strip outings....Across the Strip, at the D.I. Lady Luck Lounge, **RICK HARRIS, CANDY & MR D.** are a big click. But, the popular newcomers will have to find a new room for their next Strip trip. The D.I. plans to close the lounge to make way for a \$300,000 expansion of the casino, including a new Keno parlor. If the group's recent receptions in Hawaii, New Orleans, Seattle, and Los Angeles are any indication, mayhaps Rick, Candy and Darrell will be sized up for a mainroom opening....Piling in to see **PAUL REVERE, MARK LINDSAY AND THE RAIDERS** in their Flamingo Casino Theater debut: **CONNIE STEVENS, LONNIE SHORR, BRENDA LEE, THE GOOD HUMOR COMPANY, THE SURFERS, ILMARIE WENDEL, SOUP,** etc. etc....

**DEBRA DUKE**, and the cast of "Minsky's Burlesque", now at the Aladdin, really mean it when they relax on their day off. This week, the group junket-ed to Elizabeth Taylor Burton's favorite hideaway, Puerto Vallarta, for two days of sun and sand...Singer **BARRY MONROE**, who starred in the last "Vive Les Girls", is now featured with the **JEAN LECCIA SINGERS** in the Dunes' "Casino de Paris"...Legs-for-days **LILLIAN D'HANOU** ("Pazz", "Ann-Margret's AM-PM", etc.) is now one of the Nick Navarro Dancers featured in "BEST OF BURLESQUE" at Circus Circus...Popular local-lad, comedian-trumpet player **PETER ANTHONY** who just started to hit his stride with his mainroom debut with **ANN-MARGRET** at the Hilton, will be one of the first star attractions at the newly reopened Hotel Bonanza...Producer-ice skater **GEORGE ARNOLD** is now headquartered in Montreal with his own **ELDON-ARNOLD PRODUCTIONS** and entertainment consultants firm. Arnold's latest ice extravaganza "ECSTASY ON ICE" opened last month at the Queen Elizabeth Hilton. Eldon

Associates International plans package productions for Vegas, South Africa, Europe and the Far East....

**WEEKEND WANDERERS**...**LIBERTY WILLIAMS, LINDA SUBLETTE, DING DINGLE, JOE DANOVA, JERRY BROWN & JOHN PALMER** - also known as **THE GOOD HUMOR COMPANY** - are co-starring with **BOBBY DARIN** at the Desert Inn....



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