

ENTERTAINMENT TRIP AROUND THE WORLD

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In a season when we are swamped with awards, Universal Studios employees have secretly voted their own award. It's given to a star of series who is the worst-tempered and most uncooperative star on the lot. Past recipients have been RAYMOND BURR & GEORGE PEPPARD. This year's Meany Award goes to....may I have the envelope please....the winner is DARREN MCGAVIN, star of "The Night Stalker." The secret poll-takers suggest he change his name to Terror McGavin. He of the terrible temper is causing actors and crew members alike to turn down work even when it's needed rather than work with Mr. Mean.

JASON BAILEY may not be a name that you know right now but just wait awhile. This young man has all the potential of becoming the next MIKE TODD and Lord knows we could use a man like Todd again. (So could LIZ TAYLOR). Jason, an actor himself, decided to open a workshop in San Diego to help aspiring thespians. He plans to bring the very best in Hollywood talent there to teach and direct, etc. To open the fabulous new center, he flew a group of celebrity pals down for a lovely party and to meet the elite of San Diego. It was a lot of fun thanks to such diverse personalities as LOIS NETTLETON, MARGARET O'BRIEN, DAVID GALLIGAN, VIRGINIA FIELD, MIKE LARSON, TERRY MOORE, ZINA BETHUNE & SEAN FEELEY, HENRY WILCOXON, TOM DRAKE, BILL ARSENAULT,

CHIC HONORED AS OUTSTANDING REPUB.

Former State Senator Chic Hecht, of Las Vegas, has been awarded the "Jack of Hearts" award for 1975. The award is given annually to the individual voted to be the most outstanding Republican of the year on the basis of service to the party.

Hecht received the award, an engraved wrist watch, at the recent annual Lincoln Day Dinner of the Clark County Republican Committee. Lucie Humphrey, Republican National Committee-woman made the award.

The "Jack of Hearts" award derives its name



CHIC

from Jack Denton, North Las Vegas businessman, recipient of the first award in 1973.

BRENDA DICKSON, TROY DONAHUE, BEVERLY THOMPSON among others. After the party, some flew back to Hollywood, some went out to check out San Diego's night life and most met back at Jason's suite for a rap session that lasted until the wee small hours. A good time was had by all and remember I told you about Jason Bailey.

Maggie's back in town and that means that good music came back with her. Unfortunately it was only for a week but one week is better than nothing. I'm speaking of MARGARET WHITING and she opened at the Playboy Club in their series of one week concerts by prominent and good singers. Margaret looks terrific and her voice is just as good as ever. In fact, she even seems stronger. She sang a lot of oldies and even some new songs but I frankly loved the oldies the most. Such a pleasure to hear a singer sing for a change. She sang some of her late father's songs (he was RICHARD WHITING in case you don't know) and her lovely mother ELEANOR was there with tears in her eyes. Sister BARBARA

This Week in Carson City

BY ZEL LOWMAN
ASSEMBLYMAN

(Fifth term Assemblyman Zel Lowman, who served as Majority Floor Leader, is a member of Judiciary, Education and Health & Welfare committees. As President of Southern Nevada Drug Abuse Council, he is considered a hard-liner on law enforcement.)

State employees received encouragement of a 15% raise across the board, expected to be passed in the Assembly without difficulty but it appears that the Senate Finance Committee is not yet prepared to approve.

Nevada Temporary Disability Benefit proposed this year in AB 129 has been killed in the Assembly Labor & Management Committee.

Two hearings, one urging the Energy Research & Development Administration to choose the Nevada Test Site for disposal of nuclear waste, and another, a measure proposing to reduce penalties for possession of marijuana for those under 21 years of age, are scheduled.

Transportation Committee will hear a measure proposing to remove demerits from the records of drivers caught exceeding the 55 m.p.h. speed limit on open state highways and limiting fines thereunder to \$5.00.

The season's two no-smoking bills had their hearing during the week with a full committee room before Health & Welfare. Its outlook in the House is good but in the Senate questionable.

Two other measures of some contention in the Judiciary Committee are proposing to terminate parental rights when a child is abandoned by one or both parents and AB 319 which sets stiff penalties for businesses when found guilty of victimizing consumers with fraudulent intent.

(remember her in the Junior Miss movies?) couldn't make it but everybody was asking about her. I sat at probably the busiest table that night.

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