

OF THE STARS

COMEDY SMASH "NORMAN IS THAT YOU" DEBUTS IN UNION PLAZA'S MAIN SHOWROOM

Broadway's smash comedy hit, "Norman, Is That You?" will debut in the Union Plaza's main show-room on Friday,

September 26. Starring: Jerry Lester, the Ron Clark - Sam Bobrick blockbuster is produced by Maynard Sloate with direction by Ernie Sarrachino.

Ben Chambers, a man whose wife ran off with his brother for a Canadian fling in Ben's car.

He goes to New York to visit his son (John Lombardo) and is surprised that he has taken up residence with a "boy friend" (Keith Lawrence.)

The ensuing relationship results in some of the funniest comedy ever presented on stage as Ben meets his wife (Marie Lillo) while trying to arrange for a meeting between his son and a street-walker (Mary Lindsay).

Lester became the No. 1 person in television in the 1950's with his "Broadway Open House." He became a leading radio personality on such shows as "Kraft Music Hall," "The Lucky Strike Hit Parade," and "Philco Hall of Fame."

Though he has appeared on many Las Vegas stages, his Union Plaza performance will be his first in Las Vegas on the legitimate stage.

John Lombardo is best remembered by television viewers as Dr. John Rice in the daytime TV drama "The Doctors."

Keith Lawrence has appeared in "Norman, Is That You?" with Milton Berle in Milwaukee and Dallas.

Marie Lillo is a talented actress, singer and nightclub performer who has worked in opera, musical comedy and classical theatre. She has played Las Vegas many times with Milton Berle and was in the Union Plaza production of "Oklahoma" as Aunt Eller.

Mary Lindsay appeared with Don Knotts in "Norman, Is That You?" at the Arlington Park Theatre in Chicago.

Stage manager for the Plaza production is Paul Szigety. There will be two performances nightly, except Monday, at 8 and 11:45 p.m.

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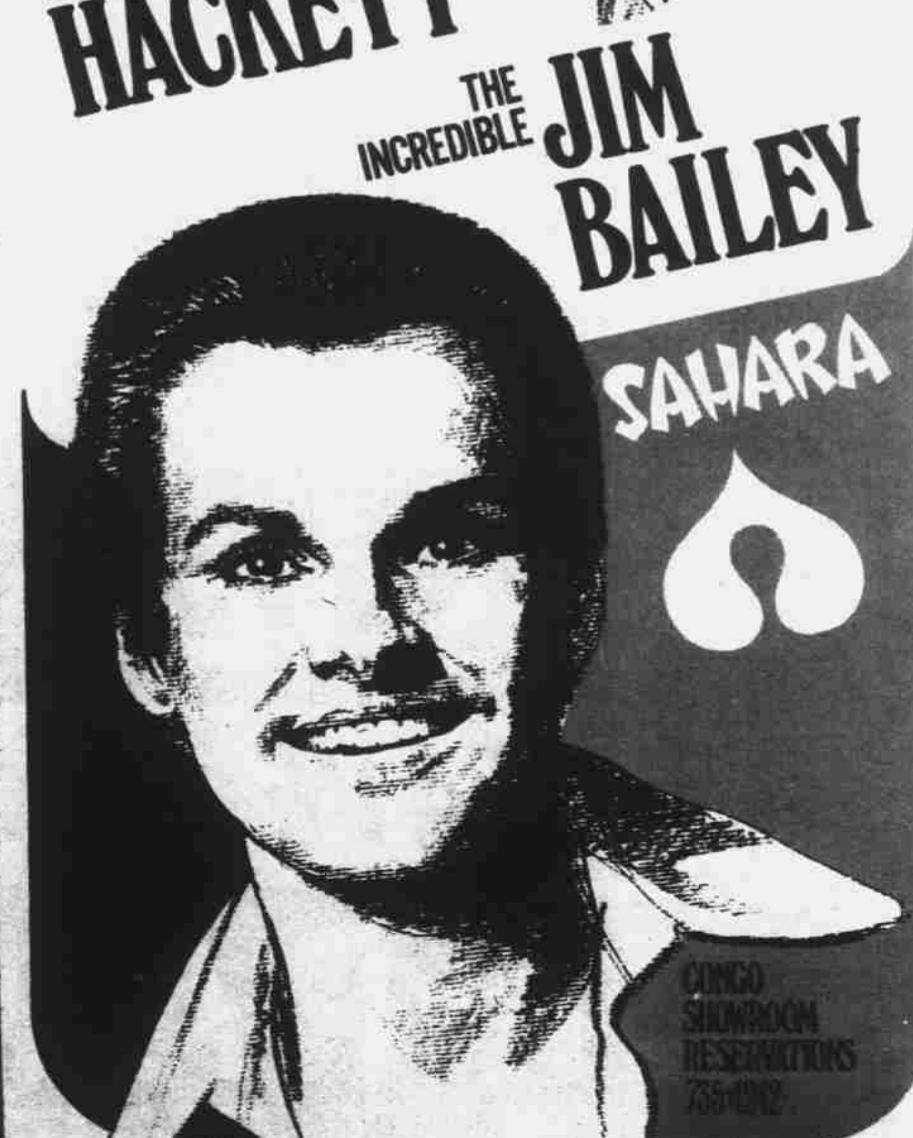
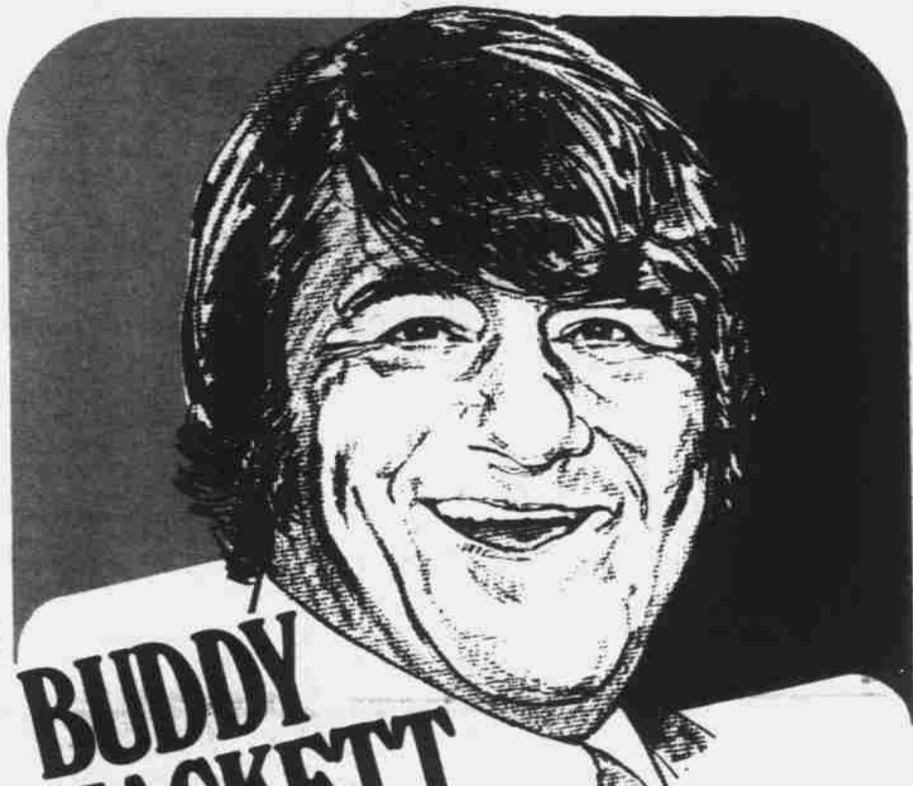


other "regs" like PAUL LYNDE, MARTY ALLEN, JOAN RIVERS, JOHN DAVIDSON, CHARO, etc., etc.....

WEEKEND WANDERERS.....SAMMY DAVIS JR. & LOLA FALANA at Caesars Palace.....WAYNE NEWTON at the Sands..... BOBBIE GENTRY & LARRY STORCH at the Desert Inn..... BUDDY HACKETT at the Sahara..... DONN ARDEN'S "HALLELUJAH HOLLYWOOD" at the MGM.....

costumes will be optional.....

STRIP BITS..... BARRY ASHTON & WOLF KOCHMANN'S "VIVE PARIS VIVE" opens October 9 at its new hotel showroom, the Flamingo.....What was the recent MUSEXPO at the Convention Center?? And why did so few people in the Las Vegas music world seem to know anything at all about it?? Understand delegates were supposed to be in from dozens of foreign countries and major recording labels from all over the world.....A sight to see for sightseers in "new" Las Vegas is BONNIE & AL LEVINSON's charming "OLD NEVADA" (at Bonnie Springs Ranch). Old Nevada is a careful and loving re-creation of entire western town (with surprisingly "regular" shoot 'em up's, gunfights, bank robberies, stage coach bandits, etc.) that gets bigger and better with each visit.....Whatever happened to the old LAS VEGAS WAX MUSEUM?? After changing locations (and owners) a couple of times, the wax tribute to stars of stage, screen and Las Vegas quietly "melted" away. Too bad, it would have made a great tourist attraction.....Comedy star RONNIE SCHELL, the official tv spokesman for California's PSA Airlines, will be seen this fall and winter on half a dozen new major tv commercials. Schell who recently closed at the Flamingo with PEGGY LEE, returns next month to gueststar with BOBBY VINTON.....LIZA MINNELLI too busy making movies all over the globe (her next will be in Rome under the direction of her father Vincente Minnelli) cancelled out of her scheduled Riviera appearance in November.....RALPH LOVEDAY, the newest member of Bobbie Gentry's Rainbow Express at the DI (Ralph's featured on congas and on lead vocals) a standout soloist in Bobbie's tribute to Western movie music..... Comedy actress RHILLO (former Las Vegas Entertainment Award winner as Female Performer of the Year Marilyn Robertson) who's been seen on several recent television shows including the summer series "Keep On Truckin'" commuting back and forth from Los Angeles and Las Vegas. Rhilo's a big favorite with the casting directors and execs of several tv producing companies and has numerous new projects upcoming including a featured role in a film for theaters, a couple of tv specials, and guestings in several on-going series. Rhilo is also up for one the leading roles in comedienne JOAN RIVERS' next screenplay THE GREAT ROXY HAUL (for Columbia) which goes before the camera in New York in December.....And speaking of comedy ladies PHYLLIS DILLER (now winding her MGM bow, with Sergio Franchi, hops a quick jet this weekend to fulfill a concert appearance with the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra on Sunday afternoon, and hops, hopefully, an even faster jet to get back in time for the dinner show at the Grand Celebrity Room. Phyllis will also be popping up all over the tv tube this season including a "semi-regular" status on Peter Marshall's "Hollywood Squares" joining



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