

# LAS VEGAS

# SHOW EAST

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IN  
**LAS VEGAS**



**'ROUND TOWN**....What do BOBBIE GENTRY, RICH LITTLE, THE DIAMONDS, GLEN CAMPBELL, MAC DAVIS, ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK, TOM JONES, JOHN BYNER, TOM CHRISTI, FRED TRAVALENA, JOHN DAVIDSON, and WAYNE NEWTON all have in common???? Well for one thing, they ALL do an impression of the one and only ELVIS....and now the "real" ELVIS is back in town and making all the "impressions" look pale by comparison. Everyone who "does" Elvis does some part of his mannerisms, song styling, or movements, but the ultimate charisma of the star is as intangible as it is impossible to re-create. Naturally, ELVIS is (and has been) Sold Out for months before his December 2 opening....SAMMY DAVIS JR. (who will be returning to Caesars Palace in January) will be the star of the world's biggest and most lavish birthday party on the \$100 a plate wingding December 16, at the Hilton, (benefitting the UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE SINATRA, co-chairmen STEVE LAWRENCE & EYDIE GORME, host FLIP WILSON, and coordinator GEORGIE TAPPS, kick off

BALL, JOAN RIVERS, JACK LEMMON, ROBERT GOULET, TOTIE FIELDS, CONNIE STEVENS, MICKEY ROONEY, REDD FOX, JAN MURRAY, FOSTER BROOKS, CESAR ROMERO, and PEARL BAILEY. All proceeds from the bash will be going to the UNCF to be divided among 41 predominantly black colleges. Tickets to the Sammy Davis Birthday Party can be obtained by calling either the Sands Hotel (735-9111 Ext 835) or the United Negro College Fund in New York at 212-644-9626. HARLEY HARMON President of the Nevada State Bank is the Las Vegas Chairman of the event....The first ballot of the 6th annual LAS VEGAS ENTERTAINMENT AWARDS goes out to more than 2000 voting members of the Las Vegas Academy of Cabaret and Variety Artists. A second ballot pared down to the top six nominees in each category will be mailed to voters later this month. The Las Vegas Entertainment Awards will be presented in January with dozens of stars, presenters, performers, past winners and this year's nominees on hand including THREE time Award



**THE GOOFERS**, WHOSE POPULARITY WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ENLARGEMENT OF THE NIFTY NOOK AT THE LANDMARK, MORGAN THOMAS, JIMMY VINCENT, ROLLY DEE AND BRUCE ZARKA REMAIN CONSTANTLY CONTEMPORARY IN THEIR OFFERINGS, WHILE RETAINING OLD STANDARDS FROM THE DAYS WHEN THE BOYS WORKED WITH THE GREAT LOUIS PRIMA, JESSICA KLUGER ALTERNATES WITH THE GOOFERS.

winners SAMMY DAVIS JR and LIZA MINNELLI (neither of the 3-time winners will be in contention in this year's voting), current Male and Female Star of the Year winners WAYNE NEWTON and ANN-MARGRET, plus BOBBIE GENTRY, RIP TAYLOR, JAMES DARREN, DON RICKLES, JOAN RIVERS, PAUL ANKA, JULIET PROWSE, STEVE & EYDIE, THE OSMONDS, JOHN DAVIDSON, BOBBY VINTON, ABBE LANE, LIBERACE, MARTY ALLEN, RUTH BUZZI, SHECKY GREENE, HELEN REDDY, ROBERT GOULET, GABRIEL KAPLAN, FOSTER BROOKS, and many many more. If you are an eligible voter, be sure to cast your vote. Persons interested in joining the Academy of Variety & Cabaret Artists should contact the Academy for a registration form and first ballot by calling 735-0093 (Miss

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Covello)....Czechoslovakian family troupe of acrobats, jugglers and gravity defying feats THE FERCOs will be returning from their long stint in South America to return to the new edition of "CASINO DE PARIS" at the Dunes reopening at Christmas.....

WAYNE NEWTON who will be at the Sands from now til sometime in February (with just a brief holiday when the Sands showroom closes for the holidays) will also have his first Christmas television special airing this month. Again, check your area for the exact date....BOBBIE GENTRY, winding her pre holiday visit at the Frontier Hotel on Dec 22, returns to the Frontier on January 20. For the first time in some five or six years, Bobbie will get to have a real holiday holiday, and plans to spend Christmas in her new Las Vegas manse....The Hacienda's "SPICE ON ICE", closed all month, will reopen with a partially new edition at Xmas....RIP TAYLOR, hysterically smashing in his special stint at the Sahara Congo Room, will be gueststarring this month in Miami with NEIL SEDAKA at the Fontainebleau Hotel. Rip will be back in the new year to headline at the all new Sahara Casbar Theater lounge....GLEN CAMPBELL, VIKKI CARR, ABBE LANE, BOBBIE GENTRY, RIP TAYLOR, and MARTY ALLEN among the celeb pals poppin' in to catch ELVIS at the Hilton.....

SPECIAL MEMO TO SHOW FOLK....The much loved and delightful impressionist LYNNE CARTER who made several appearances here at the Flamingo, is seriously ill and, as of presstime, still in intensive care at the Leroi Hospital in New York City where he headquarters. Lynne who had a series of serious heart attacks earlier this year was sidelined most of '76 but returned to work at his Pilgrim House Hotel in Provincetown late this summer. Lynne was prepping an all new act for a New York niterity this month when he was taken ill. A note or card c/o the Leroi Hospital at 40 East 61st Street, New York would be most cheering.....

WEEKEND WANDERERS....LIZA at the Riviera, the Must See (if you can get in) Megastar now at the Riviera through December 16....SHECKY GREENE & ABBE LANE at the MGM Grand....ALAN KING and THE SUPREMES (Mary Wilson, Scherrie Payne and Susaye Green) now at Caesars Palace....GOBBIE GENTRY & LARRY STORCH always a winning combo, now at the Frontier....LESLIE UGGAMS, EDGAR BERGEN & JIM BAILEY at the Sahara.....



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