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IN
LAS VEGAS



CELEBRITY CIRCUS ALPHABET....."A" is for Andy, and the premiere star of Caesars Palace, **ANDY WILLIAMS** who returns for his only summertime appearance here, opening July 12. Andy recently celebrated his Silver Anniversary with Caesars (he opened the showroom in the mid-60's) and has been one of the hotel's most popular attractions of all time. Hear tell that Andy is being wooed to return to a weekly television musical variety/comedy series for one of the networks in the January '80 mid-season break; Andy's tv series' (and he's had a couple of them) have been consistently top rated and of course you knew that Williams has sold more than **SEVENTY FIVE MILLION** records in his career and is still going strong!!....."B" for Berle, everybody's favorite "Uncle Miltie: **MILTON BERLE**" who just closed at the Riviera will be back on a special "on loan" stint at the Las Vegas Hilton opening August 7 with Lou Rawls. Berle who also just celebrated his **SEVENTY FIRST** birthday (on July 12) is in constant demand for movies, television, nightclubs, lectures, benefits, roasts, etc. etc. This year Miltie says he's going to "slow down" - which means he's only doing two new movies, a starring role in "Vegas", ten more weeks of nightclubs in Las Vegas, and a couple of dozen television guestings. And then, in January....."C" is for Comedy, and the **QUEEN OF COMEDY** is back - with Andy Williams at Caesars - **JOAN RIVERS**. Joan along with **DAVID BRENNER** have been dubbed "The Wayne Newtons of Strip Comedy" since one or the other and often both seem to **ALWAYS** be appearing at one major hotel or another. Joan has been at the Riviera, Desert Inn, Hilton, Sands, and MGM this past year and just closed (on July 10) at the Sands with Tony Bennett. David has been at the MGM, Sands, Caesars Palace, Desert Inn, and he just closed at the MGM (on July 4) with Captain & Tennille, and opens July 12 with **BEN VEREEN** at the Riviera....."D" for Dreesen, one of the Strip's (and show biz') hottest new comedy stars who will be guesting with **MAC DAVIS** at the MGM Grand thru August 1, **TOM DREESEN**. Mac and Tom, who've been on tour together since last year, recently played Tahoe together. Their MGM Grand date is Mac's first this year (he's been filming his first movie "Dallas North Forty") and Tom's first appearance with Davis (he's been here before with **SAMMY DAVIS JR & TONY ORLANDO**)..... "E" is for Excitement, and that means **MR. ENTERTAINMENT,**

MAC DAVIS AT MGM

Mac Davis is currently making his first appearance of 1979 in the famed Celebrity Room of the MGM Grand Hotel. The special three - week engagement with comedy guest star, Tom Dreesen, features an entirely new show.

One of the most successful songwriter/singers in the entertainment industry, Mac has now broadened his horizons to include tapdancing and acting.

His new show at the Grand is the culmination of over a year's training and hard work at learning the art of tapdancing.

And, he has just recently completed work on a major motion picture to be released just after his engagement here is concluded, called "North Dallas 40."

His new show at the MGM is chock full of the music that has made Mac Davis a kind of down - home folk hero in his business. Songs like "Memories," "In The Ghetto," and "I Believe in Music" have become modern-day standards.

Tom Dreesen, who shares the Celebrity Room spotlight with Mac, is one of the fastest rising young comedy stars of today.

Mac Davis and Tom Dreesen star in the Celebrity Room through August 1.



SUPER SONGSTRESS -- DIONNE WARWICK HAS RETURNED TO THE DESERT INN CRYSTAL ROOM FOR A SPECIAL TWO-WEEK ENGAGEMENT. SHE'LL BE SINGING THOSE MUSICAL CLASSICS THAT DELIGHT AUDIENCES THE WORLD OVER.

MR. EXCITEMENT, MR. LAS VEGAS, etc. etc. and that of course is **WAYNE NEWTON** who also opens July 12 at the Frontier. (That makes **FIVE** new shows opening on the same date!!). Wayne who divides his Vegas time between the Desert Inn, Sands and Frontier, is in the midst of forming his own record company and will be making a major announcement about that project very shortly. With the new label underway, Wayne will be joining other major recording stars like **BOBBY VINTON, TONY BENNETT, STEVE LAWRENCE & EYDIE GORME, ANDY WILLIAMS, THE OSMONDS, FRANK SINATRA, PAUL ANKA, ROY CLARK,** etc etc who **ALL** have their own production companies and record labels being distributed by major label distributors.... "F" is for Frankie - the "other Frankie" - **FRANKIE VALLI** who just got back to the Strip scene, and is currently headlining at the Aladdin Bagdad (his first appearance in this new year). Valli who has had several dozen Gold Records (his latest being the smash single "Grease") is prepping a new single and album release for late summer. Always a big hit here (and everywhere) and drawing to both contemporary audiences as well as long time Frankie Valli fans, Frankie has a long U.S. and European tour coming up which will keep away from Vegas until late September....."G" is for Greene,

Gabriel and Glen. **SHECKY GREENE** will at long last be returning to work and to the Summa Hotels with his next scheduled date sometime in July or August. **GABRIEL KAPLAN** will be reading his movie script for his new pic "Incident at Bentonhurst" this summer and will start shooting when he closes his next Aladdin Bagdad date on Sept. 17. **GLEN CAMPBELL** bowed out of his first week of a two week gig at the Riviera, with **BERNADETTE PETERS**, opening August 23 thru Sept. 5. **RICH LITTLE** fills in for Glen who will now open Aug. 30. That'll be Glen's last Riviera appearance; he's hotel switching to the Summa Hotels later this year..... "H" is for Had Enough for now?? We'll continue the Celebrity Circus Alphabet in weeks to come.....

WEEKEND WANDERERS....CHARO and **JACK JONES** at the Sahara.....**BEN VEREEN** and **DAVID BRENNER** at the Riviera.....**ANDY WILLIAMS** and **JOAN RIVERS** at Caesars Palace.....**FRANKIE VALLI** and **RODNEY DANGERFIELD** at the Aladdin.....**MAC DAVIS** and **TOM DREESEN** at the MGM Grand..... **TINA TURNER** and **JACKIE GAYLE** at the Silverbird.....

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