

Nat "King" Cole's Songwriter Enjoys "Legends In Concert" At Imperial Palace



ALAN BERNSTEIN, songwriter, and MACK JORDAN who portrays Nat "King" Cole in hit show LEGENDS IN CONCERT at the IMPERIAL PALACE (Las Vegas).

Alan Bernstein hears familiar music wherever he goes.

While vacationing in Las Vegas, songwriter Bernstein came to see the hit show LEGENDS IN CONCERT at the IMPERIAL PALACE and came backstage to congratulate MACK JORDAN on his excellent portrayal of NAT "KING" COLE. Bernstein had the privilege of working for Cole's production company in the early 1950's. It was then he co-wrote the lyrics to "Pretend" ("Pretend you're happy when you're blue...").

"Nat Cole heard the melody by Ralph Marteri," recalls Bernstein, "and he loved it. He walked into our office and said he wanted that song. He said he'd pay the four of us who happened to be sitting there ten thousand dollars each to write it. We wrote it in 15 minutes and it was the biggest hit of 1952!"

A few of the other songs for which Bernstein is proud to claim authorship (or co-authorship) are "Somewhere Along The Way," "After The Lovin'," "This Moment In Time," and "Yellow Days."

Bernstein's choice of LEGENDS IN CONCERT for an evening out became a surprise reunion with JONATHAN VON BRANA who portrays ELVIS in the show. Jonathan worked for Bernstein in Southern California, but the two lost track of each other.

LEGENDS IN CONCERT is presented twice nightly at 8 & 11 P.M. at the IMPERIAL PALACE.

The Statler Brothers Bring Country To The MGM

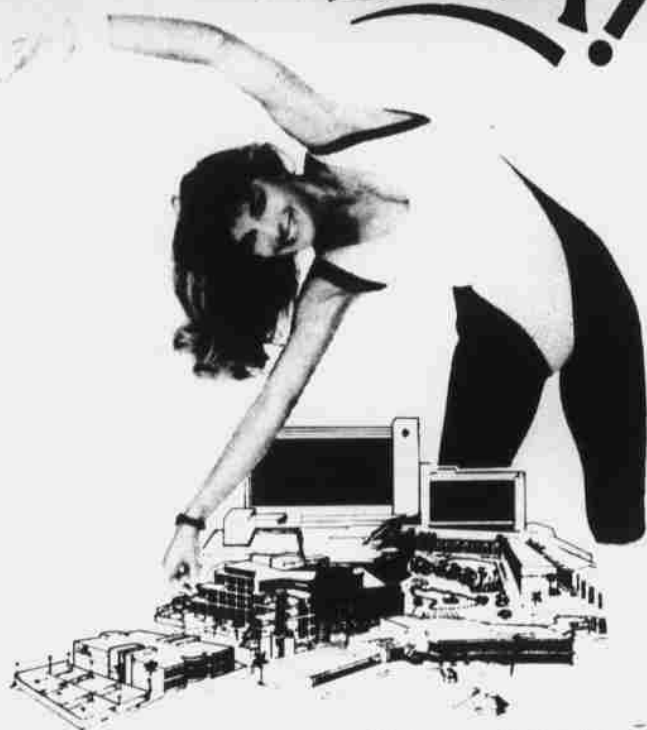


APPEARING NOW...and bringing Country to the Casino once more are THE STATLER BROTHERS, in the Celebrity Room of the MGM Grand. Opening for the country superstars will be singer REBA MCENTIRE. The Celebrity Room offers a dinner show at 8 p.m. and a cocktail show at midnight. The Statlers will be performing through February 29.

The first Las Vegas Chapter of United Order True Sisters, Inc. held its installation luncheon in the Sands Hotel Regency Room, recently. Mrs. Martin (Anita) Sporn, UOTS Inc. National President, installed Las Vegas Mrs. Robert (Esty) Dobbs as president of local chapter #72. National officers officiated at the installation of charter members.

The United Order of True Sisters, Inc. was founded in 1846 making it the oldest national womens fraternal and philanthropic organization in the United States. The group allocates funds toward home provisions and personal services for indigent cancer patients. The Las Vegas Lodge is establishing an out-patient fund at the Nathan Adelson Hospice. For further information on the United Order True Sisters, Inc., call 456-6426.

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