Las Vegas Hilton Offering Free Gaming Lessons

GAMING LESSONS - Veteran dealer Hugh Cunningham explains the many facets of craps to a captive audience. The Las Vegas Hilton's free gaming lessons program has enjoyed a great deal of success with classes averaging approximately 16 people per session. The Hilton also offers instruction in baccarat, roulette and "21."

The Las Vegas Hilton is taking the gamble out of learning to play exciting casino games with a highly successful expanded program that offers free instruction in baccarat, craps, roulette and "21."

Using a casual, yet thorough approach, students are taken step-by-step through the particulars of a casino game by veteran Hilton dealer Hugh Cunningham. Learning at their own pace, students can ask questions and participate in mock games until they get the feel of the game and become comfortable with it.

Open to the public, with no oglibation, the Las Vegas Hilton's free gaming lessons are divided into four segments: baccarat, craps, roulette and "21."

Baccarat, a game that carries the myth of being complicated and only for the very wealthy, is actually quite simple. The Las Vegas Hilton offers lessons in this exciting game Wednesday through Friday at 11:00 a.m., in the baccarat pit.

Craps, or "dice," is the game that symbolizes the excitement of Las Vegas. With a fast-paced action that can intimidate a novice, this game offers many varieties of bets. The Hilton offers two sessions of instruction for craps, fully outlining the many aspects of this multi-faceted game. The first session is conducted at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday through Saturday, and the second session is offered at 3:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday only. All sessions are held in the dice pit and run approximately 1-1/2 hours.

Roulette and "21" are the most popular games on the casino floor. While less complicated than other games, they offer the player a high degree of excitement.

The Hilton conducts lessons in roulette Tuesday through Saturday, at 2:30 p.m., and "21" lessons are also held Tuesday through Saturday, at 12:45 p.m. Sessions for these games are conducted in the "21" pit.

The Las Vegas Hilton's gaming lessons program has enjoyed a great deal of success since its inception last July. Cunningham's classes have yielded a strong turnout, averaging approximately 16 people per session.

The Hilton's instructional program has been widely received by casino patrons because it gives them a basic understanding of the various games and by doing this, it has helped to increase their chances of winning.

Chevrolet's Traveling Pro Football Hall Of Fame Exhibits At The Boulevard Mall

LAS VEGAS — Chevrolet has teamed up with the National Football League and The Pro Football Hall of Fame to bring the 1984-1985 Traveling Pro Football Hall of Fame Exhibit to The Boulevard Mall, January 24th - 27th. The exhibit will be open to the public during all regular Mall hours.

The custom-designed mall display will consist of actual artifacts and historic video footage taken from the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio. Featured items include: video highlights of the Hall of Fame, Football's most fantastic finishes, and officiating in NFL, listing of the Hall's enshrinees with a special area for the 1983 Inductees into the Hall of Fame. Also, the developments of professional football will be traced to the present with the showing of momentos, memorabilia, trophies, rings, and artifacts from the Hall's priceless collection.

Since 1963 when the Pro Football Hall of Fame opened its doors in Canton, Ohio, pro football has had a permanent monument to house chronicles of its past and present. The artifacts, photographs, memorabilia, and video clips lent to the mall exhibit by the Hall are an extension of the Hall of Fame's commitment to the beauty and challenge of this colorful, truly American sport.

Anyone who enjoys the colorful and exciting sport of Football will be fully entertained by Chevrolet's Touring Pro Football Hall of Fame Exhibit.

Imperial Palace Auto Collection Honored By Prestigious Auto Magazine

The January issue of CAR AND DRIVER is traditionally an awards issue lauding the "Ten Best" in several categories. Included in the January, 1985 issue are the Ten Best Car Museums in the world -- and on the list is the Imperial Palace Auto Collection in Las Vegas.

Selections, say the editors, are mostly subjective, "based on size, scope, balance, quality, ambiance, or some intangible we can't fully explain." All the collections honored are open to the public.

From more than 100 car museums in the U.S. and 160 in Europe, CAR AND DRIVER singled out six European collections and four American collections (including the Imperial Palace) as the best.

"In just a few years," according to the article, "Ralph Engelstad has built his collection to more than 350 automobiles, and 200 of them are displayed in 60,000 square feet of floor space."

The article mentions the oldest car in the collection, an 1897 Haynes-Apperson, and a few of the cars which belonged to famous persons such as Mrs. Henry Ford, Eleanor Roosevelt, Al Capone, Howard Hughes, and Adolf Hitler. "American cars are predominant, but there are some rather fine examples by foreign builders."

The Imperial Palace Auto Collection is open daily, year-round, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

Bobbi Jo Lathan & William Hardy In "The Best Little Whorehouse In Texas"

Melvin P. Thorpe and Senator Wingwoah have something in common in Nevada; that is, on the stage of the Union Plaza Hotel. They are part of the Texas townspeople who are on a crusade to oust the Chicken Ranch.

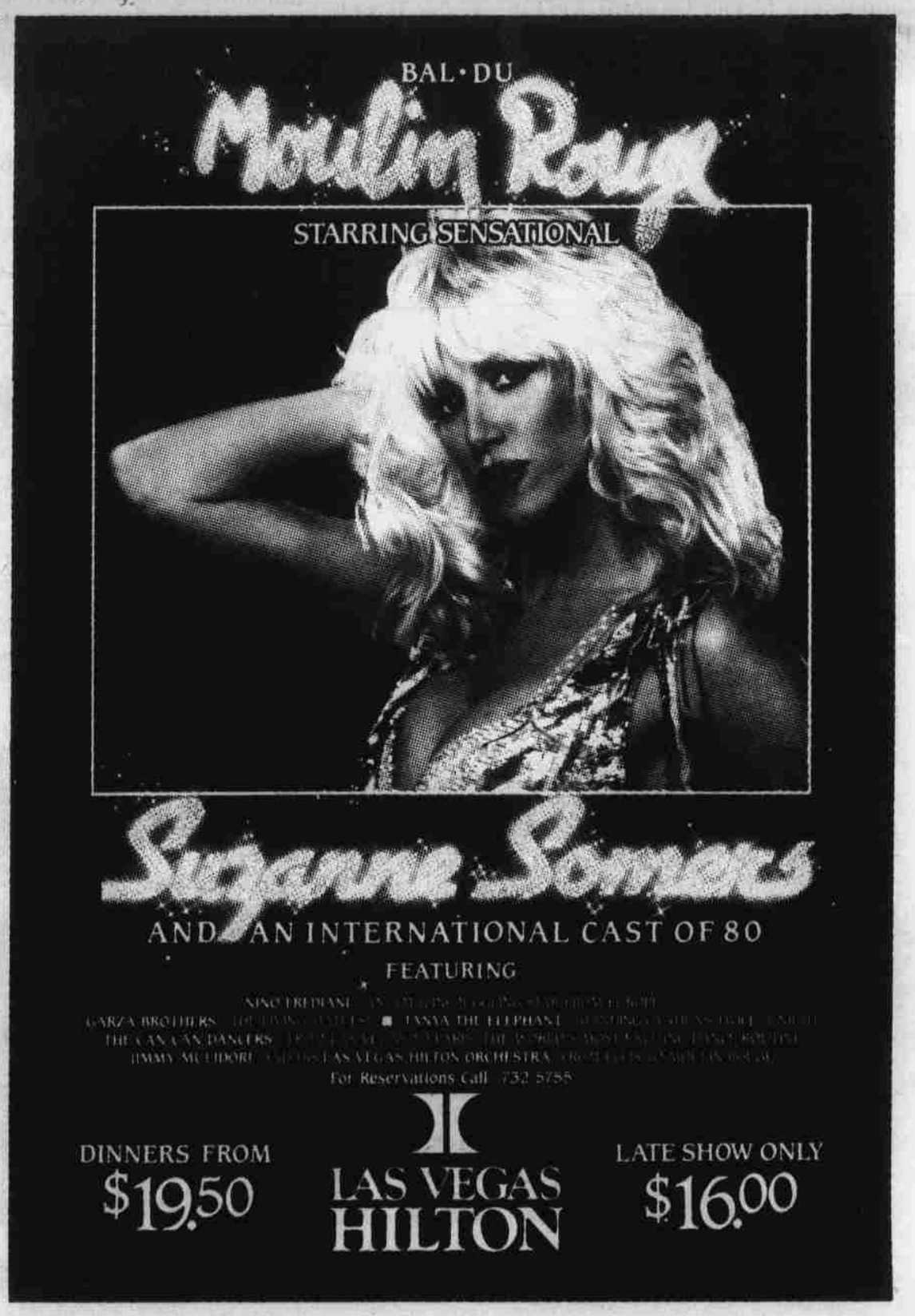
No, this is not a news item about current events in Las Vegas. It is a comment about what's happening in the musical, "The Best Little Whorehouse In Texas," now enjoying a hit run at the Union Plaza.

The Maynard Sloate production can be seen twice nightly at an 8:00 p.m. dinner and an 11:45 p.m. cocktail show.

Melvin Thorpe is the television crusader who starts all the trouble for the lovely girls of the Chicken Ranch. The Senator has no choice but to agree, especially when the television cameras are on him.

Playing these funny and spirited roles are fine actors Steven Earl Edwards and Ricky Carlson.

Edwards, who has appeared on the soap operas "As The World Turns" and "One Life To Live," is an excellent horseman and archer, and is a member of the New York based stunt group, "Fights R. Us." He is also producing an adventure film.

Carlson, who has appeared in the film "Inside Moves" and television series "Swiss Family Robinson," has been associated with this show for more than three years. Most recently, he appeared in the world premiere of the musical, "Emergency Room."

Edwards and Carlson are only two of the large cast who bring excitement and lots of fun to this award-winning musical romp through the most current of events, the closing of the famed Chicken Ranch.