LAS VEGAS





Immediately, if not sooner, allow me to wish my friends of the Jewish community a jubilant Rosh Hashonah 5746!...This weekend is an important one for balletomanes with Nevada Dance Theatre's 14th season opening with Prokofiev's "Romeo & Juliet" Thursday through Sunday in UNLV's Judy Bayley Theatre. This full-length ballet choreographed by guest choreographer KEITH MARTIN becomes the fourth extendedlength ballet in NDT repertoire. Not incidentally. this ballet is being sponsored by the Golden Nugget and KLAS-TV and also through an arrangement with the Santa Barbara Ballet, sets and costumes have been loaned to NDT...This weekend is last opportunity to see "P.S. Your Cat Is Dead" by JAMES KIRKWOOD, the Las Vegas Little Theatre 8th season opener at Reed Whipple Studio Theatre, 821 Las Vegas Blvd. North. Directed by OSCAR RAY SAENZ, the cast includes PAUL THORNTON, GEORGIA NEU, JIM ABERNATHY & FRANK INSINGA...AL LIPTON & GERALD SENNES are presenting the musical, "Gypsy," weekends at New York Deli on Flamingo Road just East of Eastern Ave. The outdoor theatre is a noble experiment and the

cast of thousands have a ball ensuring the same feeling for audiences. GARY CATSOULIS is the director and CAMERON MILZER, currently dancing at the Stardust's "Lido de Paris," is an eye and ear opener in the role of GYPSY ROSE LEE, the elegant stripper of the '50s...A different sort of stripper, ANNIE AMPLE, whose upper torso measurements would run off this column space. returns in "SEXXXY," at the Royal Casino. AN-NIE, hyped as "The Girl Your Mother Warned You About," is a real cutiepie. She sat alongside of me as a judge in last year's Beaux Arts Ball at Union Plaza and I could hardly keep my eyes off of her faces. ANNIE is away from the show this week, but will return Monday...Another woman of extraordinary upper dimensions, DYANNE THORNE is handling publicity for still another well-endowed exotic, MORGANNA, revealing everything at PAUL PERRY's Palomino Club in North Las Vegas...TOM DREESON segues from a recent FRANK SINATRA date at the Golden Nugget to comede for SMOKEY ROBINSON opening next Wednesday at Caesars Palace.

The well-known SMITH BROTHERS combo will be sharing the Frontier's Wild Horse Lounge with RICKY & THE REDSTREAKS after the 27th. Until then they alternate with THE ZARAS and THE LAST BAND...Bourbon Street's Basin Street Lounge sports FAY McKAY UNLIMITED with her wacky comedy contrasting with her sensitive singing. She showed how song faves should be

sung last Sunday aft in the Flamingo Library auditorium. Alternating with FAY in the Basin Street Lounge are DON BURKE'S BOURBON STREET PARADE and the 2-beat sounds of the DAVE POE TRIO ... According to a note from MARK TULLY MASSAGLI, head of Musicians Local 369, there will be a free concert Sept. 28 at 1:30 p.m. in the Theatre Auditorium of Cashman Field Complex featuring the LAS VEGAS STUDIO ORCH, with 40 of Vegas' finest pro musicians under leadership of BOB BARCLAY. The concert is provided through a grant from the State of Nevada with cooperation of Las Vegas Convention & Visitors Authority and Music Performance Trust Funds...You may not have heard that PIA ZADORA and hubby MISHULAM RIKLIS bought jockey WILLIE SHOEMAKER's palace in Bel Air and immediately tossed a party for PIA's manager TINO BARZIE. Guests slurping and dining beneath a striped tent on the Astroturf tennis court were ZSA ZSA GABOR, MIKE DOUGLAS, LINDA GRAY, MIKE CURB, CONNIE STEVENS, MARY ANN MOBLEY AND JER-MAINE JACKSON, who sang duo on disk and MTV with PIA on "When the Rain Begins to Fall"...FRANK & BARBARA haven't phoned with their personal invite, but SINATRA will headline a concert Nov. 30 at Marriott Rancho Las Palmas resort in Palm Springs to benefit the BARBARA SINATRA CHILDREN'S CENTER at Eisenhower Medical Center to provide affordable psychological services for child abuse victims and their families...Meanwhile at the SINATRA hangout here, the Golden Nugget, ALAN KING

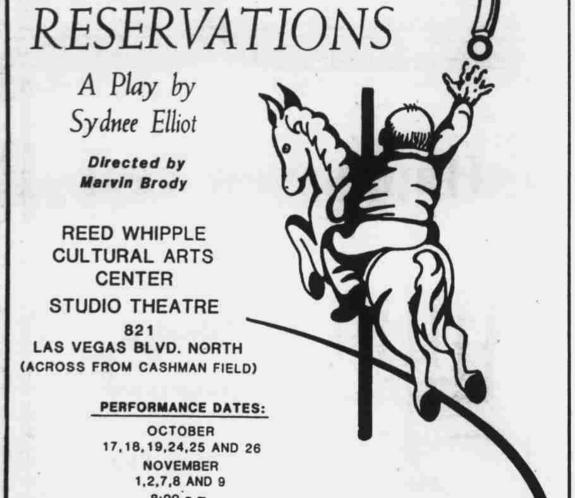
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