

LAS VEGAS

SHOWCASE



Superstar Aid for AIDS Benefit is set for the Stardust Sunday aft June 14 to assist AFAN -- Aid for AIDS of Nevada, the very active Vegas group with WES DAVIS exec director. HARRY SEYBOLD will produce the 2-1/2 hour show expected to be chock full of top showbiz names and a Hollywood star or three. The Stardust's entertainment major domo GARY GOLBART is coordinating with the Boyd Group, Stardust owner...SEYBOLD is producing a pilot for singer/actor CARME, titled "Carme's Place" with FOSTER BROOKS, BABE PIER and DAVID IANACCI thus far in the midst of rehearsals... STEVE and ELAINE WYNN tossed a VIParty for the Palm Springs... Eisenhower Medical Center Saturday in the Golden Nugget's Theater Ballroom, with DON RICKLES and FRANK SINATRA the main attractions. Meanwhile competition at the Dunes and the American Cancer Society's 5th anni "An Evening of Vintage & Vogue" had special guest JILL IRELAND for their Saturday soiree, also Comedy Store's MIKE BINDER and the PHIL LEO BAND after an 8-course gourmet feast...FRANK SINATRA was backer of the first BUDDY RICH BAND with a

\$50,000 bankroll in 1947, but 20 years later BUDDY formed the 14-piece band in Vegas that lasted until his death. Tenor sax player JAY CORRE was one of the recruits. He finished up a fortnight Sunday with the BUDDY CHILDERS ORCH backing FRANK SINATRA, JR., at the Four Queens. BUDDY once asked the other BUDDY (CHILDERS) why he never joined the RICH BAND. CHILDERS, well aware of the famed RICH temper, answered, "Because we've been pals for such a long time, I don't want to screw it up." RICH grinned and said, "You're right."



L. V. Mayor candidate, owner of Vegas World, BOB STUPAK, bought time amid "Saturday Night Live" KVBC-TV telecast on a recent Saturday to answer the dingy show's anti-Vegas sketch about three weeks ago. STUPAK, when he filed for Mayor, promised to bring "more fun" to the city...Caesars Palace is definitely not mulling a one-round prelim scrap at its next "Fight of the Century" between arch enemies promoters BOB ARUM and DON KING...Plenty of hype is airing for "Masters of the Universe" show at Thomas & Mack Center now whacking the senses through Saturday. From the far reaches of the planet Eterna, producers PACE & MTM Presentations Ltd. promise it will be the most spectacularly staged show ever seen on Earth or any other planet.



Almost matched for hype is the drumming by LEE SOLTERS for his client DAVID COPPER-

FIELD, said to have conjured a brand new show for Caesars Palace. On the music side, SERGIO MENDES & BRAZIL '88 stomp the cucaracha beat...ED ASNER joined rabbis, scholars and peace activists from national Jewish communities for the first "Shalom (Peace) Seder in the Desert" last Friday and Saturday. A Passover seder was held at Nevada Test Site, the event an extension of the Lenten Desert Experience anti-nuke protest...Not so serious is the intent of the Las Vegas Hilton with six nights of JEFFREY OSBORNE's popoul songs and the doo-wops of SHA-NA-NA. OSBORNE's new A&M album "Emotional," with producing assist from GEORGE DUKE and RICHARD PERRY, steers into what OSBORNE calls "more of a pop sound"...KATHY GANGWISCH, the enterprising PR exec in Kansas City, found a comedian in ALEX COLE, strapped him to the LARRY GATLIN & GATLIN BROS. packet that moved into the Desert Inn Thursday. When T.G. SHEPPARD vamoosed the D.I. with JANIE FRICKIE, he sauntered down to DON LAUGHLIN's Riverside Resort for a Friday and Saturday contempo country fest.



Luxury jackpots abound in Las Vegas casinos with the latest the Stardust's Cadillac Allante roadster. Other Stardust jackpots include a mink jacket, diamond ring, gold, classic Ford Mustang, Honda Spree, customized van and a desert buggy 4-wheeler...Famous San Fran barrister MELVIN BELLI has a Vegas partner in GARY LOGAN and their office blurbs "special

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