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"Everything Is Coming Up **Roses'' For Ronnie Fabre In** "Legends In Concert" At The **Imperial Palace Hotel & Casino**



Ronnie Fabre is a quiet, shy and reserved individual - until she steps on stage. When the curtain goes up and the lights shine, Fabre doesn't shy away any longer. Center stage is where she wants to be.

Fabre, a former stand-up comedianne, re-creates Ethel Merman in the Imperial Palace's awardwinning show "Legends in Concert." A recent addition to the lineup of legendary superstars in John Stuart's production, Fabre has perfected

Las Vegas Israelite

Merman.

Fabre, originally from Long Island, N.Y., stands just 5-feet-1-inch but has a voice that doesn't quit.

"People want to hear the pipes; a giant voice if you know what I mean," Fabre said. "Ethel was known for her big voice and people who come to see the show want to hear it.'

Fabre's voice carries like a balloon on a windblown day. The 36-year-old Fabre began singing as a little girl and has played with such entertainers as the Righteous Brothers, Nelson Riddle, the Checkmates and the 1960s group, the Safari's, who are best known for their top hit "Wipeout."

In the late 1960s, Fabre, like many entertainers, performed for the servicemen fighting in the Vietnam War and traveled with Bob Hope's entourage.

However, she wasn't the only member of her family to be blessed with the talent to entertain. Her mother once played Carnegie Hall.

From New York to Vietnam, Fabre eventually wound up in Southern California where she began performing in Los Angeles nightclubs. From there, she brought her act to Las Vegas and she has played in lounges up and down the Strip.

"I've lived here for 18 years and I have squished 18 years out of this town. I love it here," Fabre said. "I've had a lot of fun being blessed with my talent."

Her talent ranges from singing and dancing to jokes and impressions. While playing at a plano bar in Laughlin, Nev., she sang "There's No Business Like Show Business" as a gag, but someone didn't take it as a joke. They informed John Stuart of this short, loud woman who sounds like Ethel Merman. An introduction to Stuart led Fabre into "Legends in Concert" and she has since found a home.

"I was really surprised at the audience's reaction at first. They were great. I didn't know how they would react," Fabre said. "When I do Ethel, I have



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- Fettuccini with Norwegian Salmon
- Fettuccini with Veal, Broccoli & Tomato Sauce
- · Veal Braciola Stuffed with Carrots, Celery, Sage & Mozzarella

"Legends in Concert" can be seen twice nightly (except Sundays) at 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. in the Imperial Theatre. The cost of the show, which includes two cocktalls, is \$12.95 (plus tax) for all performances. Reservations can be made by calling 794-3261.

"Sandy" Harmon Files For State Senate



Kirt R. "Sandy" Harmon announced his filing for election to the office of Nevada State Senator for the 13th District.

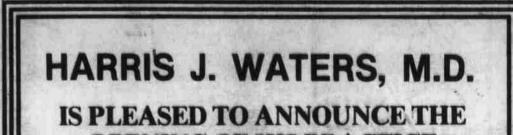
Harmon, a garage owner in Tonopah has filed as Libertarian party candidate.

Stated Harmon, "I've watched the so-called conservatives promise to lower taxes and get government off our backs while I've seen our rights be regulated to death and taxes continue to increase. No one seems to get any response to requests for help from any state agency and yet our state government is growing at an astronomical rate. As a businessman, I am disgusted with what is being done to, instead of for, both businesses and workers alike.'

Harmon promises to take only actual expenses while the legislature is in session, stating "elected officials should be doing the job because it needs to be done, not for a paycheck."

Harmon resides in Tonopah with his two children and wife Susan.

For more information, Sandy Harmon can usually be reached at (702) 482-9838



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