



Columnist colleague LAMONT "THE SHADOW" PATTERSON will be hosting a major big band event on the 19th as he attains his 80th year on this madly spinning planet. His celebrated hosting will be for the official GLENN MILLER ESTATE ORCH at the Showboat Hotel. All of the famed musical treats will be conducted by the city's own LARRY O'BRIEN and proceeds from the \$25 admission per couple, \$15 single, will be handed over to the SOCIETY OF SINGERS. This SOS organization helps pro singers in need, those once-famed vocalists who recorded back when, for scale or less. So, dance to the MILLER book on that coming Mon. night, 8 to midnight for two good causes, your own mental & physical health, and for the SOS ... About BOB STUPAK, one-time owner boss of Vegas World, and his fetishes & cravings as he moves into the Stratosphere resort, KING KONG and aching to play with the HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS. His KING KONG schematic of a huge hairy primate bearing

passengers inside climbing the tower is a reminder of STUPAK's artistically NASA bent when he had an astronaut painted on the side of Vegas World and the connecting hose snaking up to the top between windows ... Our new slogan, "LAS VEGAS, MAGIC CAPITAL OF THE WORLD," combined hyperbolic ploy by one-time FRANK SINATRA publicist, LEE SOLTERS for client magician LANCE BURTON. supersedes that old "ENTERTAINMENT CAPITAL OF THE WORLD." The slogan was hype stolen from the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce '50s promo booklets touting the fair city next to the Angels, which became, among other kind epithets, "TINSELTOWN" ... Sheraton Desert Inn's post -Valentine gift is MELISSA MANCHESTER in the Crystal Room Feb. 16-18. MELISSA will be the "Rap-With-The-Artist" guest on Thurs. (15) in the Starlight Theatre, audio taped for the ARNOLD SHAW RESEARCH CENTER FOR POPULAR MUSIC UNLV ARCHIVES, and this scribe will interview the talented singing songwriter lady.

When a performing artist of world repute such as ISAAC STERN programs a Las Vegas UNLV Ham Hall recital Jan. 19, and the identical program was performed in L.A. the following day, we've arrived in status: – Sonata No. 1 in D Major, Op. 12, No.1 by BEETHOVEN, along with BRAHMS Sonata No. 3 in D Minor, Op. 108, the BARTOK

Piece & Sonatina in G Major. Then with a reminisce of two FRITZ KREISLER PIECES FOR VIOLIN AND PIANO, the music and illuminating STERN & ROBERT McDONALD tandem made this 20th anni Gala something special for the CHARLES VANDA MASTER SERIES. Violin and piano balances were well thought and played and the immersions into the composers' intentions were combined with personal expositions that long familiarity made evident. Perhaps the only disappointment arrived after the recital when Green Room oneon-one congratulations had to be cancelled when, in a brief apologetic talk, STERN said he had a bad cold and had to make an airline connection shortly for Los Angeles where he was to perform the following night ... Congrats to RICK ROMITO, director of the Performing Arts Center, and staff for their book, "THE CHARLES VANDA MASTER SERIES STORY," presented to STERN onstage with a plaque from GOV. BOB MILLER heralding Jan. 19, 1996 as "ISAAC STERN DAY" ... TENA HOUSER, PREZ OF LENZ TALENT AGENCY, is the new member of the STATE MOTION PICTURE COMMISSION. She told VEGASTARS: "THE MOTION PICTURE COMMISSION will continue to be a strong vehicle in helping Nevada improve its motion picture and media production position. If properly utilized, the MOTION PICTURE

