

NBA Exhibition Set For Aladdin

Two NBA exhibitions are scheduled at the Aladdin Theatre For The Performing Arts in the upcoming months.

The first game, at 8 p.m. on Aug. 8., will be a benefit for the Youth Athletic Association of Las Vegas and will feature some of the top players in the NBA including Julius "Dr. J" Erving, Magic Johnson, Moses Malone and George Gervin. Reggie Theus, Ricky Sobers, Mark Aguirre and Isiah Thomas.

On Oct. 18 at 2 p.m., the 76ers and the Lakers will play a pre-season exhibition game at the ATFTPA.

24 Teams Set For BCI Tourney

Local youth organizations will be beneficiaries of the sixth annual Las Vegas Basketball Congress International Invitational July 27-31 at UNLV.

24 teams will be competing in the event, supported by the Southern Nevada Coaches Association. Proceeds will go to various Las Vegas youth groups.

Among the teams in this year's BCI Invitational are the winners of the Boston Shootout, New York City; runnersup in the AAU National Champs, Mid Valley, Calif.

The Junior Rebels will join the Las Vegas Stars as the second team from Las Vegas.

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SHOWBOAT SETS WBC TITLE BOUT BETWEEN PINTOR AND RENGIFO

World Boxing Council bantamweight champion Lupe Pintor will defend his title Sunday, July 26, against No. 9-ranked contender Jovito Rengifo in a nationally

televised 15-round bout at the Showboat Hotel, Casino and Bowling Center.

The Championship fight card

begins at 12:30 p.m. in the Showboat Sports Pavilion. Doors open at noon. The Pintor-Rengifo main event will be televised by CBS but

blackout in Southern Nevada.

The card, promoted by Azteca Promotions, Inc., of L.A. with the Showboat Hotel,

LEONARD, HEARNS TO UNITE WELTERWEIGHT TITLE AT CAESARS PALACE

The undisputed Welterweight Championship of the World will be on the line when Sugar Ray Leonard meets Thomas Hearns in a 15-round title showdown on Wednesday, September 16, at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, Nev.

Leonard, the WBC titleholder from Palmer Park, Md., will carry a record of 30-1 into the ring against Detroit's undefeated Hearns. The "Motor City Cobra," who knocked out Jose "Pipino" Cuevas on Aug. 2, 1980 in two rounds to win the WBA welterweight crown, owns an unblemished 32-0 mark including 30 KO's.

As many as 300 million spectators worldwide may view the long-awaited confrontat-

ion between the two dominant forces in the 147-pound division. A capacity crowd of 25,000 is expected to fill an arena which will be constructed on the grounds of the Caesars Palace complex, with ticket prices ranging from \$50 to \$500. Boxing fans around the U.S. will be able to watch the contest either on closed circuit TV or Pay Per View home television.

Leonard, who last month scored a ninth-round knockout of Ayub Kalule to capture the WBA Junior Middleweight title, will be seeking to unify the welterweight division with a victory over Hearns. The 25 year old Sugar Ray defeated Wilfred Benitez on Nov. 30, 1979 to win his share of the crown.

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