

PARK THEATER TO BE NAMED FOR SAMMY DAVIS, JR.

The Las Vegas City Council last Wednesday voted to name a new Lorenzi Park amphitheater in honor of Sammy Davis, Jr. The amphitheater is scheduled to open next July with an event honoring Davis.

The naming of the amphitheater does not necessarily bring an end to a drive to rename a city or county street in honor of the famed entertainer. At this time, efforts begun soon after

Sammy Davis died, to have a street named to honor him, have become bogged down in red tape and problems. The city committee formed to study the renaming of a street cites the choosing of a street, coordination among various government groups, and agreement from companies on the street to be renamed as some of the problems entailed in the delay. The committee said it will be months before a street can

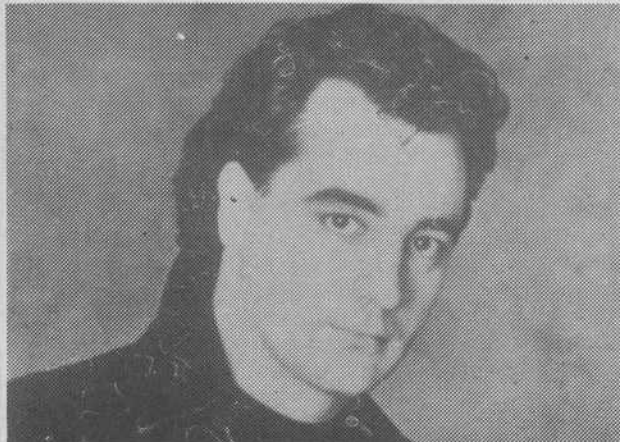


be renamed for Davis. The new amphitheater which will be built near the west end of

the park in an area that now houses an unused swimming pool, will be called the Sammy Davis Jr. Festival Plaza Theater. According to Director of Parks and Leisure Activities Dave Kuiper, the theater will be similar to the one at Spring Mountain Ranch State Park, with seating on a grass area for about 450 people. The \$300,000 theater will be the site for art shows, festivals, weddings and other events.

In naming the theater for Davis in a resolution, the City Council praised the entertainer for his community spirit and the

major role he played in "the emergence of Las Vegas as the entertainment capital of the world."



Alex Bugnon, the progressive jazz keyboardist and songwriter will be performing for one show only at the world famous Calamity's Concert Hall. The audience will be rocking with the soulful jazz and R & B overtones that Alex is known to perform. Tickets are available at all Ticketron locations and Calamity's box office. For more information call the concert hotline 384-4591.



The Roy Meriwether Trio will be making a special holiday appearance this Tuesday, November 20th thru Saturday, November 24th at Tarkanian's Celebrity Sports Club. Trisha Chamberlain will be the featured vocalist during this cabaret engagement. For additional information and reservations call 795-4667.

HOLIDAY FESTIVAL AT CAESARS PALACE NOV. 20-25

The magic of the holiday season will come alive at Caesars Palace during Thanksgiving Week, Nov. 20 - 25, when the resort welcomes the Second Annual Festival of Trees and Lights.

Visitors of all ages can browse through a forest of professionally decorated Christmas trees and wreaths along with entire rooms decorated for the holiday season. There will also be a gingerbread village, children's craft area, a craft store and a children's fun area, with performing musicians, vocal ensembles, magicians and clowns.

Door open at 10 a.m. Wednesday through Sunday, except Thanksgiving Day, when the festival begins at 1 p.m. Daily closing is scheduled at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday; 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. All activities are scheduled in the Emperors Complex in the Caesars Palace convention area.

Admission is \$3 for adults, \$1 for children 12 and under and seniors. Tickets will be sold at the door.

Also included in the week's activities is an opening night gala dinner at Caesars Palace, with tree judging, a live auction and silent auction, and live entertain-

ment. The price of the gala is \$75 per person (\$700 for a table of 10). Advance reservations required; phone (702) 387-1070.

Proceeds benefit the Southern Nevada Down Syndrome Organization and the Transition Foundation (a public fund to

promote and aid the employment of those affected by mental retardation.)

For more information about the Festival of Trees and Lights, phone the Southern Nevada Down Syndrome Organization, (702) 387-1070.



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