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On July 25, 1975, *A Chorus Line* opened on Broadway at the Shubert Theatre. After nine Tony Awards and the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, it closed there on April 28, 1990 after 6,137 performances. For some time, it held the record as the longest-running musical in history. *A Chorus Line* was not just another hit show. It spoke to and for a generation. For those who loved it, the theater was forever changed, and our lives forever enriched by this "singular sensation." Well, you can't keep true theatrical production down for long, the blockbuster Broadway musical *A Chorus Line* will open May 13 for a three-week run at the beautiful **Starbright Theatre** in Summerlin. Three longtime members of Las Vegas' theater community, including the well-known Super Summer Theatre director **Betty Sullivan-Cleary** (*Annie*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *South Pacific*), have joined forces to create a new theatrical production company, Sullivan Freyd Sperling, and *A Chorus Line* is their debut effort. This has the pedigree to be a big hit.

Self-proclaimed Diva, **Brandon Johnson** (aka *Diva Delfrente*), has stepped down as entertainment and marketing director at queen mother *Gipsy*. Leaving his bitchy attitude behind, he then strutted his merry way over to **Hamburger Mary's** to join sexy **Kevin Smith**, cutie twinkie boy **Dusty Alexander**, and straight-boy hunk **Charles 'Chuck' Wolf** as a bartender. Brandon appears to be a somewhat new and rejuvenated person. Stop by and say hello. It's amazing what a change in venue can do!

Speaking of former *Gipsy* alumni, the infamous Las Vegas drag queen **Toni James** is back and this time she ain't playin'! Starting Thursday, May 12 at 11 p.m., she will rise from the dead to bring back her once-popular **Las Vegas Lip Sync Contest**. After the cancellation of **Shannel's** *Gipsy Lip Sync Contest*, the girls have been itching for a place to compete. **Hamburger Mary's** has secured its position as the Friday night pre-party spot, but only time will tell if they can get in the rankings for the Thursday night pre-party crown. For all you Thursday night Freezone and *Gipsy* whores, the show will end in plenty of time for you to still visit your Thursday night favorites.

OK, not to overload you with news of the legendary **Frank Marino**, but I have to tell you, I have seen *An Evening at LaCage* more times

than I can remember. And no matter how many times you see *LaCage*, it remains entertaining. Of course, some performers are more notable than others. **Sammy Gonzalez**, former stylist for **Debbie Reynolds** and current *LaCage* **Liza Minnelli**, out-performs them all. Honorable mention goes out to **Brent Allen** who gives you chills with his **Judy Garland** performance.

Everyone knows that I am the longtime Co-Chair of the Latino Fan Club of the World with my buddy Co-Chair **Paul San Filipo**, owner of *Gipsy* Nightclub. For you fellow fan club members, I am happy to announce that mega club **Krave** is now presenting **Copacavana Latin Night** every Tuesday starting at 10 p.m. The opening left me craving more than just burritos. Make sure you check out **Klear**, their new after-hours party every Friday and Saturday night from 3 a.m. - 10 a.m.

If you are in the mood for lounging, check out **The Whiskey** at Green Valley Ranch. I recently spotted a couple of *Ocean's Eleven* stars. **Rain** and ghost bar at the Palms have seen their share of celebrities. My future husband **Leo (DiCaprio)** celebrated his birthday there recently.

The **Palms Casino Resort** recently welcomed **Coors Light** and *Maxim* magazine for the Finals of the 2004-2005 Coors Light Maxim Girl Contest. Celebrity judges included model and *Surreal Life* star **Adrienne Curry**, **Terrell Owens**, star wide receiver of the Philadelphia Eagles, **Kristen and Elizabeth** — the Coors Twins, director **Michael Bay**, **Jake Plummer**, quarterback of the Denver Broncos and **Simeon Rice**, star of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, **AJ Feeley**, quarterback of the Miami Dolphins and **Kyle Boller**, quarterback of Baltimore Ravens.

Superstar vocalist **Josh Groban** recently performed to a sold-out audience at **Mandalay Bay**. Sorry guys, I know that Josh's velvet voice makes your toes tingle and probably some other body parts, but unfortunately, the singer is still hot 'n' heavy with actress **January Jones**, ex-girlfriend of MTV's *'Punk'd'* star **Ashton Kutcher**. However, she was not present for this performance.

3 Doors Down took a getaway from Escatawpa, Mississippi to gamble at The Palms before performing at **Rain**. After selling over 11 million albums in the U.S. alone since debuting in 2000, no one seemed to know who they were while walking around the property. Q

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