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Out On The Town With JL



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It's a new year and I am excited that things are calming down after a festive New Year's Eve in the forbidden city. Many top celebrities from sports, music and movies were sighted spending their dollars bringing in the new year in Las Vegas. However, the most memorable was **Anna Nicole Smith**. Trying to out perform her Oscar worthy introduction of **Kayne West** at the Grammy's last year, Anna rang in New Year's 2005 at the Aladdin Resort and Casino. She spent more than a few minutes rubbing up on musical sensation **Lionel Richie**. Lionel only had a few minutes for the cameras. He was busy trying to keep an eye on his off the circuit daughter, **Nicole Richie** (co-star of *The Simple Life 2*). Noteworthy, for some reason Nicole kept disappearing and reappearing. While Lionel was busy looking for Nicole, I was busy searching for Anna's son Daniel. He is YUMMY.

Speaking of yummy, you should check out the VIP catering services from **Prepared By**

Bonnie. She was just voted Best Caterer In Las Vegas. I tasted her food at a few celebrity parties and the food was incredible. Now she's doing weekly dinner deliveries to my home, packed perfectly with directions for a non-chef like me to understand. E-mail her at bonniesmithlv@aol.com for menu options.

Diva duel or not? Is this really a rivalry? The legendary female impersonator **Kenny Kerr**, a Barbara Striesand impersonator, vs. the media mogul female impersonator **Frank Marino**, a Joan Rivers impersonator. Hands down Kenny Kerr is a great entertainer. However, after celebrating a 20-year run on the strip headlining as the star of **LaCage** at the Riviera, this diva award goes to the undisputed queen of female impersonation, Frank Marino. Frank, undoubtedly you deserve the second star on the **Walk of Stars**. While we are on the subject of men who make a living dressing up as women, Note to **Shannel** (the star of *Illusions Cabaret* and *Seduction at Gipsy Nightclub*): please keep giving it your all. Your hard work and dedication to the profession of female illusion will get your name in neon lights one day very soon. Until then, continue hosting those memorable holiday parties.

I had the honor of spending a few minutes in line at Starbucks with his Excellency

Daniel Ayalon, Ambassador of Israel to the United States of America. I asked Mr. Ayalon his opinion on the World Pride 2005 being hosted in Jerusalem this year. He replied, "if we have prospects for peace in the Middle East, we have prospects for individuals surviving being openly gay in the Middle East as well." Not exactly an award winning response. However, he did order the award winning peppermint mocha!

Forum Shops at Caesars Palace recently added a dining gem. **Joe's Seafood, Prime Steak & Stone Crab** is the culmination of a partnership between Lettuce Entertain You, ICON and Joe's Stone Crab, the legendary seafood restaurant of Miami Beach. Originally opened in Chicago in the fall of 2000, Joe's features an extensive selection of seafood, flown in fresh daily, to complement the world's finest Florida Stone Crab claws. Joe's has quickly built a reputation as a top steakhouse in the city of sin, featuring their

signature 16 oz. Bone-In Filet Mignon and 22 oz. New York Strip Steak. Matched with Joe's famous side dishes, dinner only gets better when capped with a slice of key lime pie. Enjoy a generous cocktail in the bustling lounge or the tuxedo-clad service of the clubby dining room and you'll understand why dinner at Joe's has quickly become one of Las Vegas' favorite social engagements. However, if you are looking for mouth-watering eye candy waiters, don't go during lunch. FYI...they seem to only appear during the dinner shifts.

Underwear models? Well, rest assured your chances of finding them at the Eagle are slim to none. This venue is not one that regularly appears on my social calendar. However, **Chris Saldaña** (weekend anchor/field reporter for Channel 8 and voted QVegas' Sexiest News Reporter), **John McCoy** (show entertainment publicist), and I paid a late night visit one Wednesday night for their long-time running men's underwear night. We had a lot of fun and laughs. It is amazing what people will do for discounted well drinks and draft beer. Hey, John, thank you for saving me from that self proclaimed make-up artist to the strippers. Wait, what happened to the dark back room at the Eagle? Q



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