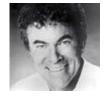
## Breck Hall, entertainer with roots in Tahoe, dies

Publisher's note: This is from John Packer, entertainment director for Harrah's Northern Nevada, "Breck Wall was a show producer and comedy performer who brought his show 'Bottoms Up' to Harrah's Lake Tahoe and Reno beginning in the 1960s. It returned numerous times in several incarnations during the '70s, '80s and into the '90s. Breck and his partner Patrick Maes also produced adult revues that played Harrah's, Harveys, the High Sierra [now Horizon] and elsewhere, the most successful of which was 'Passion.' 'Bottoms Up' was his signature show in which he starred for many decades. Very funny, silly at times, and risque to say the least."

## By Mark Anthony, Las Vegas Tourist

It was a simple passing in the news on Monday that Breck Wall had died at the age of 75. If the name rings a bell, then you are really a Vegas fanatic.

Breck Wall is best known around Las Vegas for his 40 years of the comic revue "Bottoms Up." I first caught the act when we moved here in 2001. The campy, vaudeville style burlesque show was playing at the Flamingo. The last incarnation of it was at the Harmon in 2007.



Breck Wall

The show was cute and corny in its own weird. Vaudeville done Vegas style. Breck was the ringmaster of a group of aged actors trying to be sexy, funny and shocking. There was

nothing really shocking or sexy by today's standards, and that's what gave it its new humor. But they gave it their best shot every afternoon. One could only imagine the real shock value of the show some 20 years ago. Maybe half the fun of the show was watching senior citizens trying to be shocking, sexy and funny. Either way, it was a Vegas institution.

Between that first show and the the last incarnation, I had gotten to know Breck from a distance. It seemed like he knew anyone who was anybody in the entertainment business. If there was any entertainment news or tid-bit somebody needed to know, it was Breck who could probably fill in the details.

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