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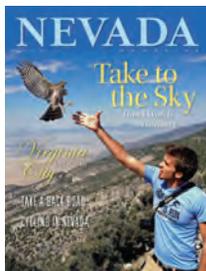
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If you are reading this edition of *Nevada Events & Shows*, produced by *Nevada Magazine*, there's a good chance you're in the Reno-Tahoe International Airport or already on the road and wondering what you're going to do during your stay in Nevada.

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This information-packed guide to Lake Tahoe, Las Vegas, Reno, and rural Nevada will help you plan your trip—both now and in the future. Our stories and photos capture the latest and greatest events and shows in the Silver State.

For more than 75 years, *Nevada Magazine* has been the premier source for Nevada travel news, and we're happy to add to that tradition with this edition of *Nevada Events & Shows*.

Happy travels, and enjoy your stay in the Silver State.

  
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# NEVADA PHOTOGRAPHERS DAY 3.16.13

*All lenses were on historic Virginia City for one day in March.*



Left to right: Unknown, Ray Ahrenholtz, Anita Calderoni, Sharron Land Gegenheimer, Kevin Wilcomb, and John Calderoni



Virginia City said goodbye to winter in glorious fashion on Saturday, March 16. The Northern Nevada tourist town hosted its 22nd annual Rocky Mountain Oyster Fry, a celebration that includes a high-noon St. Patrick's Day Parade down C Street. New to the festivities this year was our inaugural Nevada Photographers Day, the results of which you see here.

*Photo by* SANDI WHITTEKER



Photo by TRACY HERBERT

Sometimes things just work out for the best, and that was the case for *Nevada Magazine's* inaugural Nevada Photographers Day, held Saturday, March 16 in Virginia City. The weather was perfect, dozens of photographers turned out, and the mood was festive.

A town that dates to 1859 and is designated as a National Historic Landmark is photogenic enough in its own right, but add a Rocky Mountain Oyster Fry and St. Patrick's Day Parade to the mix, and...well, you will see for yourself in the following pages why this is one of the Silver State's special events.

Thanks to the Virginia City Tourism Commission (formerly Convention & Tourism Authority), RKPR Inc. in Reno, and especially the photographers who continue to raise the artistic standard to a whole new level in the pages of *Nevada Magazine*.

**TOP:** All walks of life and makes of machinery go on parade every March in Virginia City, including classic cars.

**RIGHT:** This creative "Turd Squeezer" mobile couldn't wait for the World Championship Outhouse Races, held every fall in Virginia City, to scoot down C Street.



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High temperature  
on March 16, 2013  
in Virginia City

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Number of years  
Virginia City has  
hosted Mountain  
Oyster Fry



Photos by NEIL LOCKHART

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Number of photographers who submitted images



**MAIN PHOTO:** Virginia City residents and visitors come out in droves and indeed “Have A Ball,” as the town banner reads, a tongue-in-cheek nod to the Rocky Mountain Oysters available for consumption.

**ABOVE:** Green was the color of choice—clothes and hair—on this special day for Virginia City resident Kelseyne Nevin.

**LEFT:** Nevada Magazine editor Matthew B. Brown shares a laugh with fellow photographers.

**OPPOSITE PAGE:** A “shootout” at high noon between photographers Dianna Winn and Neil Lockhart. Scott Blair (right) is looking down at his camera.

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ABOVE: Although the photographer playfully describes these ladies as wenches, they sure do seem happy.

# 5,000+

Number of people estimated to have visited Virginia City on March 16.



ABOVE: Rick Ireland (left) and Jack Eshenaur are playing the role of two of the famous Earp brothers. Wyatt's character (Eshenaur) "didn't want to be Wyatt," Whitteker says, "but he looks a lot like the real Wyatt, so eventually he gave into the pressure."

LEFT: Photographer Sally Hanrahan gets in on the action.

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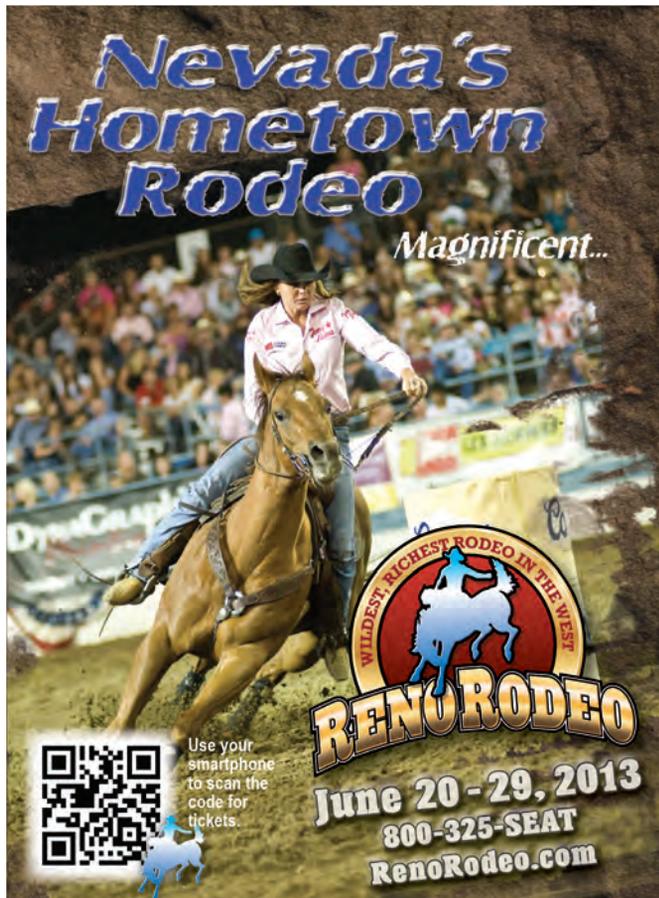
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Age of Virginia City's historic St. Mary's in the Mountains church

**ABOVE:** Some photographers decided to get away from the action and enjoy the peaceful sanctuary of St. Mary's in the Mountains church. The existing Catholic church dates to 1876.

**RIGHT:** The Virginia & Truckee Locomotive No. 18 greets visitors to the Comstock History Center in Virginia City. Nearby, the V&T Railroad offers two train rides: a 28-mile round trip to Carson City and back and the shorter four-mile Virginia City to Gold Hill Historic Route.



**BELOW:** (left to right) Cynthia Fincher, Ed Stilwell, and Lee Molof.

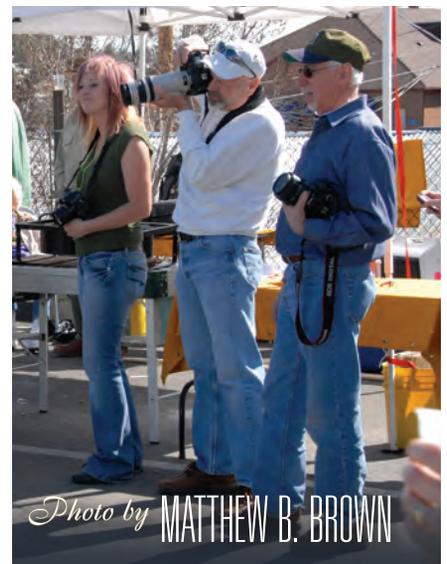


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**LEFT:** Homen calls this wonderful western capture “Lil’ Cowboy.” The boy’s dad and uncle are cooking Rocky Mountain Oysters in the foreground. “There was a bit of attitude about him when I whipped out the camera and took three shots,” Homen says.

**BOTTOM LEFT:** A Vietnam veteran participates in the parade. “I was in the Navy for 24 years and retired as a Master Chief,” Homen says. “His look just grabbed me.”

**BOTTOM RIGHT:** Marshal T.J. “Crazy Jack” Waggon (left) and Bad Billy Mayfield of the Mayfield Gang saunter down C Street during the parade.

**BELOW:** There are all kinds of ways to ingest a Rocky Mountain Oyster—in this case a garnish of salsa and lime help to enhance the morsel. ▾



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# 855

Population of Virginia City according to the 2010 Census.



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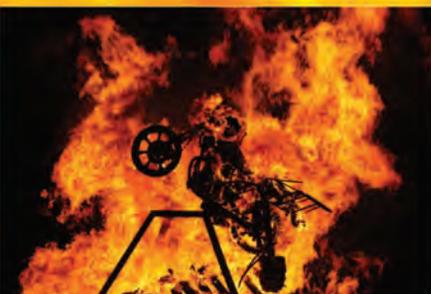
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# CHILI ON THE COMSTOCK

Virginia City's 30th annual Chili on the Comstock returns to the historic town May 11-12 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Taking place along C Street, the main drive, the event brings a new Fireball Crawl, live music, and family-friendly activities.

The two-day tradition hosts nearly 40 of the best chili cooks in the West competing for a spot in the International Chili Society (ICS) World Finals later this year in Las Vegas. Competitors start from scratch on Saturday morning, and a winner is picked for each day. There is also a people's choice award with winners receiving cash and "Virginia City-style" prizes.

Tickets are now on sale with tasting kits starting at \$7 and the inaugural Fireball Crawl at \$10 complete with a free shot of Fireball Whiskey to kick off the festivities.

In addition, a Family Fun Zone takes over the Delta Saloon parking lot with multiple bounce houses, face painting, and music including the Chris Gardner Band.



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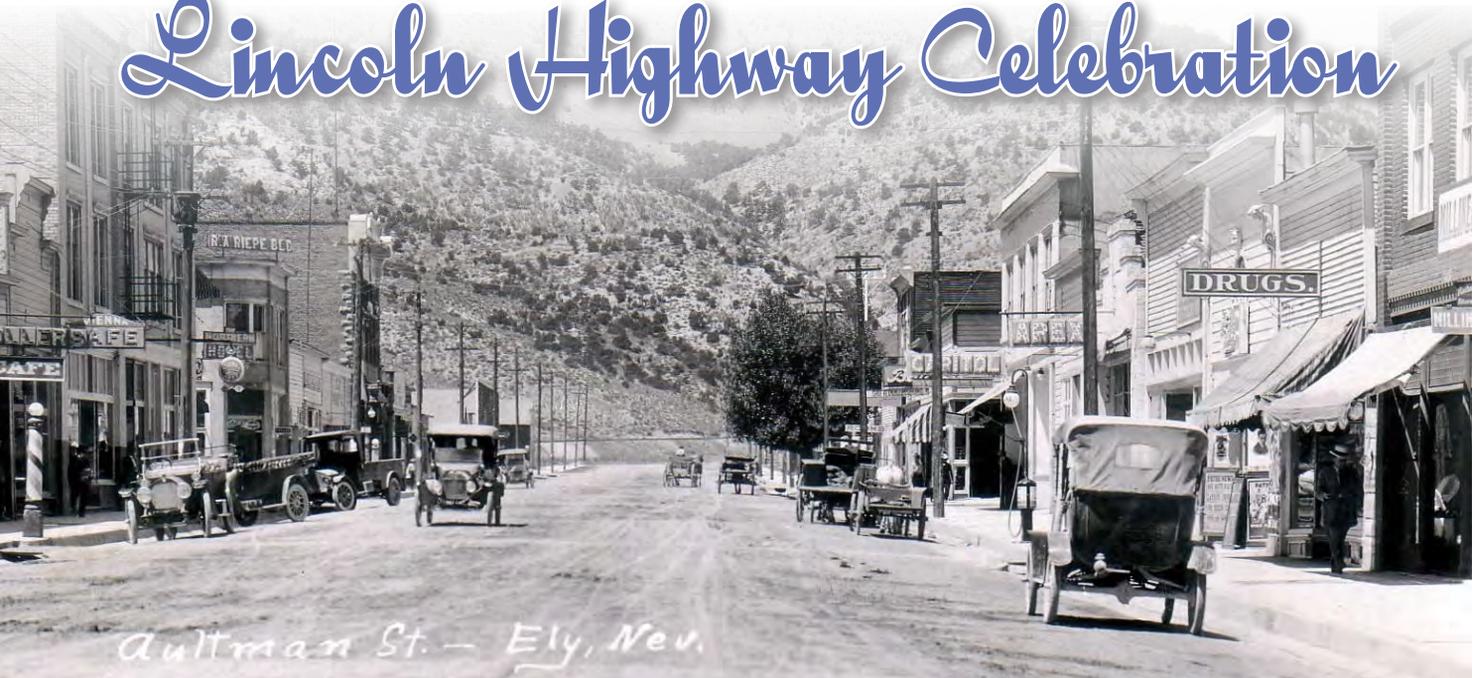
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Also, the Lincoln Highway Association's West Coast Tour will make overnight stops in Nevada on June 24 and 25 (see itinerary at right).

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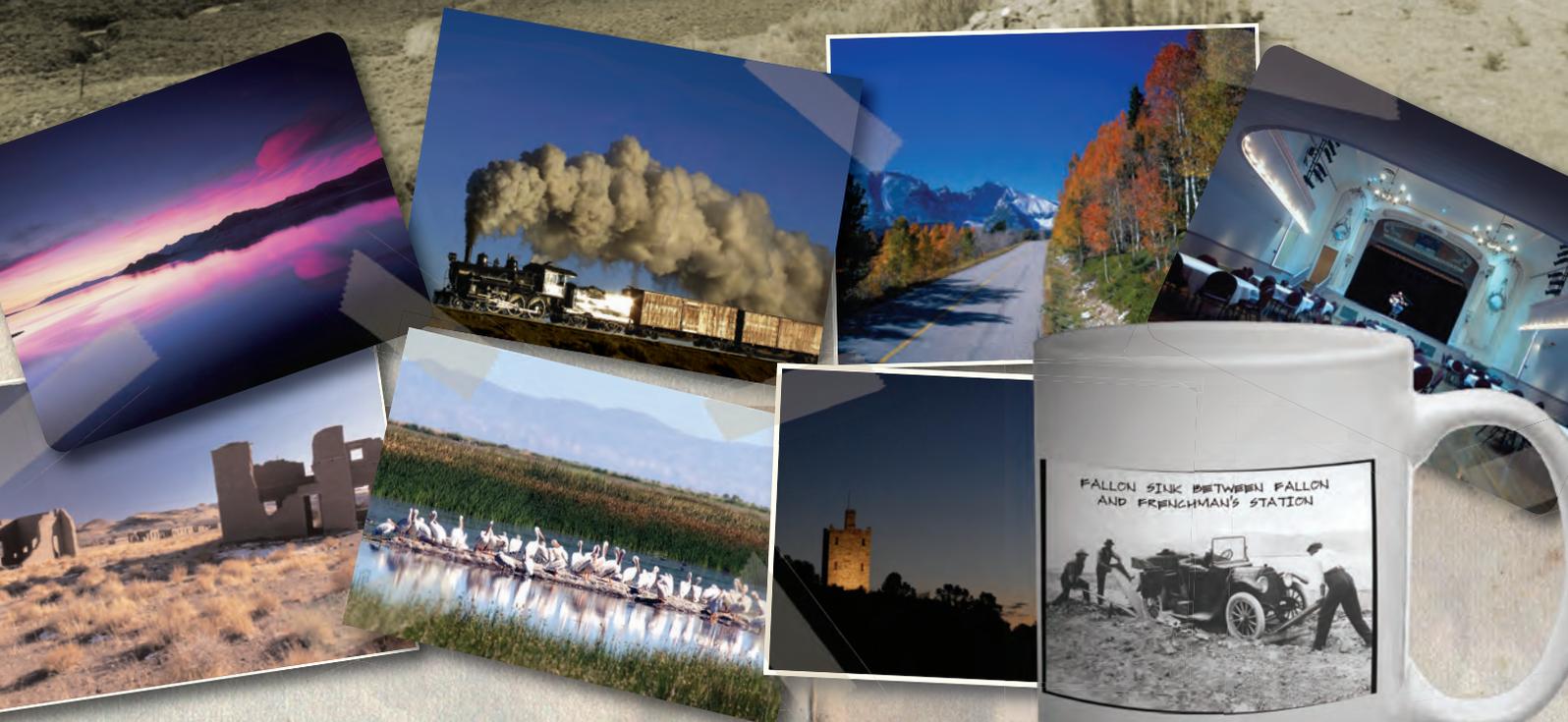
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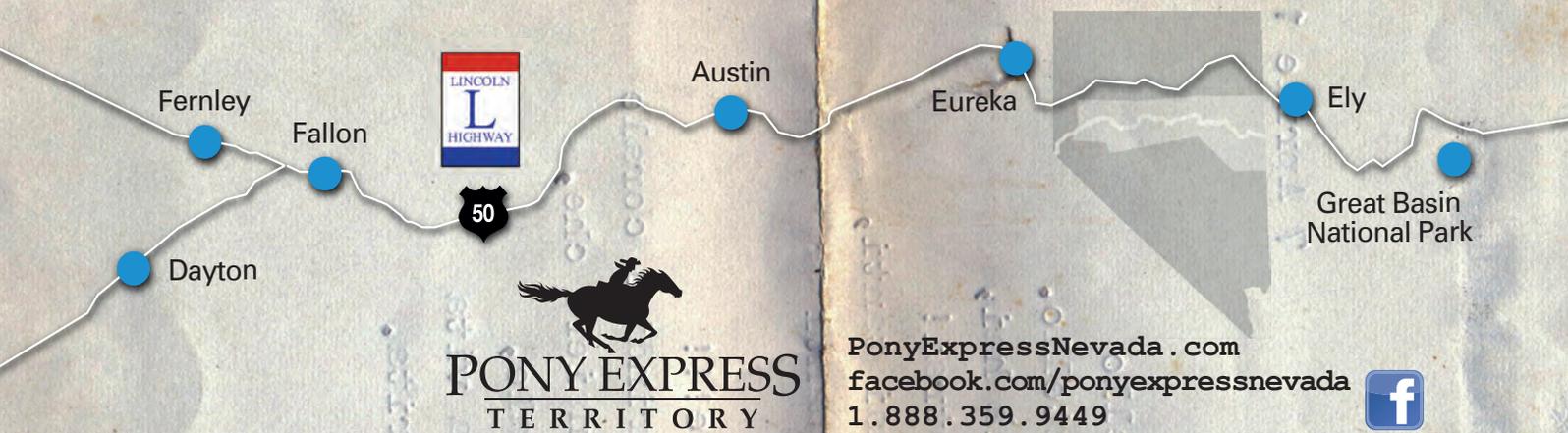
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On May 25, the trio will set out from the eastern Nevada town of Baker, near the Utah border. About one month later they will ride west into Reno, having crossed mountains and deserts, ghost towns and wilderness areas, and sand dunes and state parks. The Nevada Discovery Ride is fully supported by Nevada State Parks, the American Discovery Trail, and Nevada Trail Expeditions. In addition, several corporate sponsors have donated supplies and gear.

Szesciorka is a former U.S. Army combat journalist. She currently works for Washoe County Parks and attends the University of Nevada, Reno. Her horse, Sage, is a formerly wild Nevada mustang, and her dog, Bella, is a spunky mutt from a Washington state Humane Society. ▾

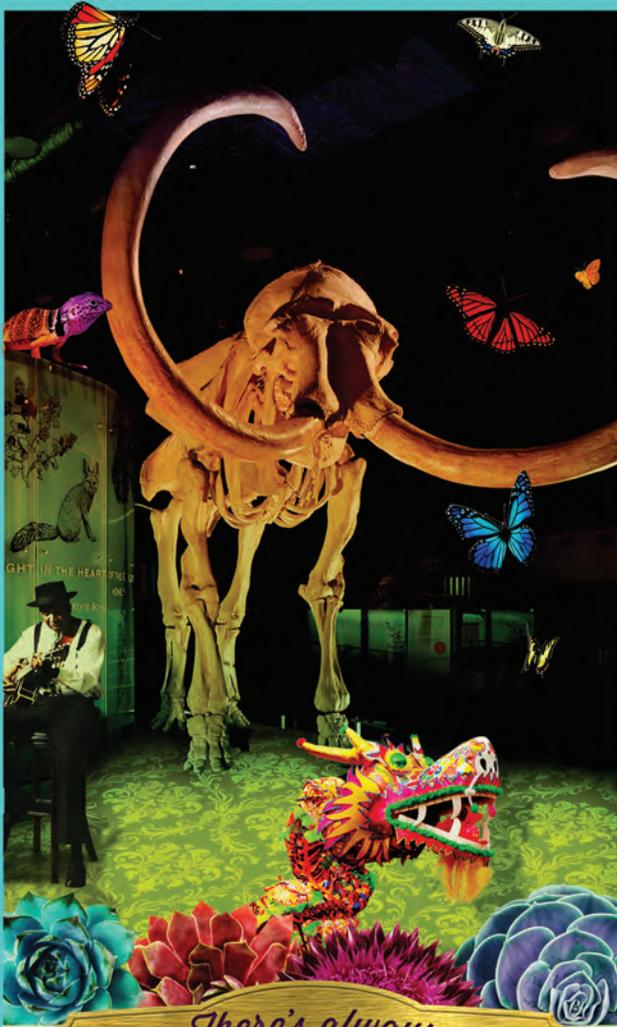


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# MOTOR MADNESS

HOT AUGUST NIGHTS, BARRETT-JACKSON, STREET VIBRATIONS, & LUCAS OIL OFF-ROAD RACING SERIES MAKE UP STELLAR LINEUP.



PHOTOS: MATTHEW B. BROWN

Some of the premier “piston-powered” events in the West have made their home in the greater Reno area, and this summer they will be united in a season-long motorsports event calendar called Northern Nevada Motor Madness (N2M2).

Hot August Nights, Street Vibrations, Lucas Oil Off-Road Racing, the National Championship Air Races, and a host of other events highlight Northern Nevada as a world-class destination for horsepower-loving race fans, vintage car collectors, personal watercraft aficionados, and air race spectators.

Northern Nevada Motor Madness will showcase the Reno-Sparks region’s thriving “gearhead” events calendar, which has gained even more momentum in the last year. Reno’s Hot August Nights was recently chosen as the newest venue for one of four Barrett-Jackson collector car auctions in the world. The Reno Tahoe auction will be featured during 24 hours of national television coverage on *The Speed Channel* this year.

The Reno-Sparks area also hosted the inaugural Silver State Showdown last summer, part of the nationally televised Lucas Oil Off-Road Racing Series. The event will return to the Wild West Motorsports Park near Sparks this coming August. ▀



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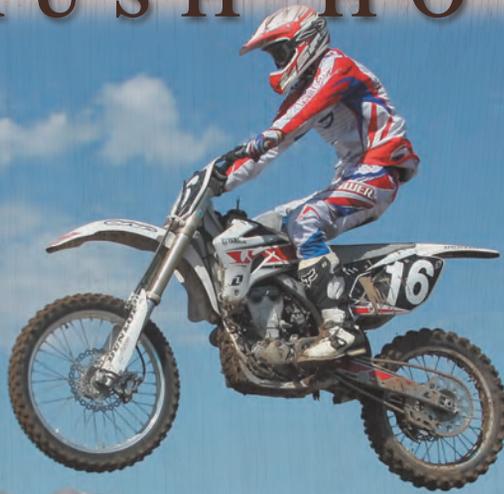
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golffestshows.com, 619-683-3700

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May 4  
renoriver.org, 775-682-3800

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Virginia City  
May 4  
peaceofficersmuseum.org, 775-847-7800

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cincodemayoreno.com, 775-291-3651



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parks.nv.gov, 775-728-4460

**Las Vegas Astronomical Society Star Party** | Cathedral Gorge State Park  
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**Show What Ya Brung Car Show & Drag Race** | Eureka  
May 10-11  
eurekacounty.com, 775-237-5484

**Western Heritage Festival** | Sparks Museum  
May 11  
sparksmuseum.org, 775-355-1144

**Reno River Festival**  
Truckee River Whitewater Park, Reno  
May 11-12  
renoriverfestival.com, 775-784-9400 x.119

**Notes to Our Children: A Gathering of Elders** | Yerington Theatre for the Arts  
May 16  
yeringtonarts.com, 775-463-1783

**Spring Wings Bird Festival**  
Stillwater Wildlife Refuge, Fallon  
May 17-18  
springwings.org, 775-423-5128

**Astronomy in the Park**  
Spring Mountain Ranch State Park  
May 18  
parks.nv.gov, 702-875-4141

**Ohana Festival** | Springs Preserve, Las Vegas  
May 18  
springspreserve.org, 702-822-8365

**Safe Haven Rescue Zoo Fundraiser**  
Winnemucca Convention Center  
May 18  
safehavenwildlife.com, 775-538-7093

**Caliente Homecoming**  
Kershaw-Ryan State Park  
May 25  
parks.nv.gov, 775-726-3564

**Straight from the Bayou Crawfish Festival** | Henderson  
May 25  
hendersonlive.com, 702-267-4849

**Memorial Day Celebration** | Beatty  
May 25-27  
beattynevada.org, 866-736-3716

**Cheetah 500** | Animal Ark, Reno  
May 26  
animalark.org, 1-775-970-3111

**Chautauqua at Buckland Station**  
Fort Churchill State Historic Park  
June 1  
parks.nv.gov, 775-577-4880

**Trail Days Mountain Biking**  
Beaver Dam State Park  
June 1  
parks.nv.gov, 775-728-4460

**Octane Fest** | Fallon  
June 6-9  
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**Astronomy Program**  
Fort Churchill State Historic Park  
June 8  
parks.nv.gov, 775-577-4880

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**Snake Valley Festival** | Baker  
June 14-16  
protectsnakevalley.org, 775-234-7265

**Storytelling Days**  
Dangberg Home Ranch Historic Park, Minden  
June 14-16  
dangberghomeranch.org, 775-783-9417

**Western Heritage Days**  
Eureka County Fairgrounds  
June 14-16  
eurekacounty.com, 775-385-6184

**Dash 4 Dads Cheetah Chase**  
Animal Ark, Reno  
June 16  
animalark.org, 1-775-970-3111

**Chautauqua in the Park**  
Mormon Station State Historic Park, Genoa  
June 18  
historicnevada.org, 775-782-255

**Reno Rodeo**  
June 20-29  
renorodeo.com, 800-325-SEAT

**Electric Daisy Carnival**  
Las Vegas Motor Speedway  
June 21-23  
electricdaisycarnival.com/lasvegas

**Legends of the West Bike & Car Fest** | Carson City  
June 22  
eventsnevada.com/legends.html



After moving to June in 2012, the Reno River Festival is back in May (11-12) this year.

### Full-Moon Hike

Fort Churchill State Historic Park  
June 23  
parks.nv.gov, 775-577-4880

**Nevada Humanities Chautauqua Festival** | Bartley Ranch Regional Park, Reno  
June 24-27  
nevadahumanities.org, 775-784-6587

**FIVB Volleyball World League: USA vs. Bulgaria** | Reno Events Center  
June 28-29  
visitrenotahoe.com, 775-827-7600

**Lamoille Country Fair** | Lamoille  
June 30  
lamoillewomansclub.org, 775-385-3502

## SHOWS

**"The Four Tenors"** | Harrah's Reno  
Thru May 28  
harrahreno.com, 800-745-3000

**"Menopause the Musical"**  
Eldorado, Reno  
Thru July 14  
eldoradoreno.com, 800-648-5966

**Mary Kaye Knaphus**  
Piper's Opera House, Virginia City  
May 1  
visitvirginiacitynv.com, 775-847-0433

**Baxter Black** | Carson Valley Inn, Minden  
May 2  
carsonvalleyinn.com, 775-783-6606

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May 3  
eurekacounty.com, 775-237-5484

**Mama's Wranglers**  
Piper's Opera House, Virginia City  
May 11  
visitvirginiacitynv.com, 775-847-0433

**Credence Clearwater Revisited**  
Silver Legacy, Reno  
May 24  
silverlegacy.com, 800-687-8733

**Dave Mason** | Boomtown, Reno  
May 26  
boomtownreno.com, 775-345-8522

**Trinity Seeley** | Eureka Opera House  
June 7  
eurekacounty.com, 775-237-5484

**Steve Miller Band**  
Lake Tahoe Outdoor Arena  
June 22  
apeconcerts.com, 775-586-6541

# CALIFORNIA TRAIL DAYS

## CELEBRATE 19TH-CENTURY HISTORY IN NORTHEASTERN NEVADA.



### WHERE

California Trail Interpretive Center, Elko

### WHEN

May 18-19

### INFO

elkotraildays.com,  
775-738-1849

Visit the California Trail Interpretive Center at the junction of the infamous Hastings Cutoff and the California Trail eight miles west of Elko on Interstate 80 at Hunter Exit 292. Learn the stories of the 19th-century pioneers who endured the 2,000-mile trek to California; some seeking land, some gold, others seeking adventure, and some for reasons we may never know. All events are free.

California Trail Days takes place May 18-19 and celebrates the spirit of those who traveled the California Trail. The musical theme of this year's events is highlighted by a dance on Saturday night. There will be wagon rides, firearm demonstrations, Pony Express demonstrations, a 19th-century doctor, Dutch oven cooking, and more.

Visitors will experience life-size dioramas, original murals, American Indian exhibits, and multi-media productions. Hike accessible trails, walk through a wagon encampment, and see a traditional Shoshone village. Hear the words of the pioneers and learn of the successes of the Bidwell-Bartleson party and the events that led to the Donner Party disaster.

### MORE ELKO EVENTS

Elko Mining Expo (Exhibition Days), June 6-7  
Elko Motorcycle Jamboree, June 14-16  
50th National Basque Festival, July 5-7  
exploreelko.com, 800-248-3556



## DON'T MISS

### Oodles of Noodles

Dayton  
June 22-23  
daytonnvchamber.org, 775-246-7909

This 12th annual event celebrates the Northern Nevada town of Dayton's Chinese and Italian heritage. The two-day festival features a noodle tasting with professional and amateur contestants, live entertainment, pet parade, crafters, vendors, Civil War reenactments, classic car show, RV showcase, veterans pancake breakfast, and more. Proceeds from the event will be donated to the VFW to help local WWII veterans visit the Washington D.C. memorial.

## DON'T MISS

The Work of Artists (SENarts)  
Nevada State Legislative Building,  
Carson City  
May 8 & 30  
nevadaculture.org, 775-687-6680

"The Work of Artists" is a new initiative created for the 2013 Legislature featuring a series of personal interactions via talks and demonstrations with some of Northern Nevada's finest traditional, folk, and contemporary artists. The remaining presentations are at 3:30 p.m. on May 8 and 30 at the Nevada State Legislative Building. All are free and open to the public.

The program is presented by the Nevada Arts Council and SENarts, a partnership between the NAC, Nevada Senate, and Nevada Division of Museums and History. The related 2013 Legislative eXhibition Series, located on the first floor across from the Caucus Deli in the Legislative Building, runs through June 7.

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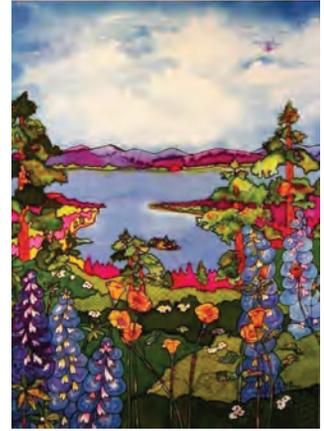
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# HEAVENLY ART FESTIVAL

OUTDOOR FESTIVAL FEATURES ACCOMPLISHED ARTISTS FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY.

The Heavenly Village Fine Art Festival at Stateline (South Lake Tahoe), June 22-23, presents original works in all mediums of two- and three-dimensional fine art, including paintings, photography, etchings, and sculptures. Each artist will be present to meet with the public, and all work is available for purchase. Admission is free, and the event is handicap accessible.

West Coast Artists' shows, with more than 30 years of experience, are distinguished by their scope of diversity and the wide variety of fine art. Presented are innovative works in differing styles of contemporary, traditional, modern, and southwest art for the discriminating individual or corporate collector. Talented artists, numerous and varied, are proud to personally present their unique work in acrylic, collage, etchings, mixed media, oils, pencil, watercolors, digital, and traditional photography.



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### WHERE

The Shops at Heavenly Village

### WHEN

June 22-23

### TICKETS

theshopsatheavenlyvillage.com,  
818-813-4478

## EVENTS & EXHIBITS

### Arts Day in Nevada

Nevada State Legislature, Carson City  
May 7  
nevadaculture.org, 775-687-6680

### Johnson Lane Artist Tour

Minden  
May 18-19  
janrollenhagen.com, 775-781-5964

### Frances Humphrey Lecture Series: Recent Rock Art & Archaeological Discoveries in Lincoln County

Nevada State Museum, Carson City  
May 23  
museums.nevadaculture.org,  
775-687-4810 x.237

### Short Stories Exhibit

Dangberg Home Ranch Historic Park, Minden  
June 22-23  
dangberghomeranch.org, 775-783-9417

### Painting the West

Stremmel Gallery, Reno  
May 16-June 15  
stremmelgallery, 775-786-0558

### TIMELESS TREASURES—

**A Celebration of Native American Culture** | Sparks Museum  
Thru May 26  
sparksmuseum.org, 775-355-1144

### "Creatures" Spring Exhibit

Wilbur D. May Museum, Reno  
Thru June 2  
maycenter.com, 775-785-5961

### A Real Van Gogh? An Unsolved Art World Mystery

Nevada Museum of Art, Reno  
Thru Aug. 25  
nevadaart.org, 775-329-3333

### Sirens of Chrome

National Automobile Museum, Reno  
Thru Oct. 15  
automuseum.org, 775-333-9300

### Family Flowers: Traditional Embroidery from Southern Mexico

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# MICHAEL JACKSON ONE

NEWEST LAS VEGAS CIRQUE SHOW OPENS IN MAY AT MANDALAY BAY.



**O**n May 23, "Michael Jackson ONE" will make its highly anticipated debut in Las Vegas' Mandalay Bay theater, formerly home to the smash hit Disney's "The Lion King."

From one blockbuster performance to the next, residents and tourists are anxiously awaiting the debut of not only a show based on the life and music of one of pop's most brilliant entertainers, but the latest Cirque du Soleil production, joining seven others currently showing in Nevada's entertainment capital.

"Our intention is to immerse the audience in the energy of our show, which is Michael's...spirit," said director Jamie King in an interview with the *Las Vegas Sun*. "We want to make sure that they see and feel our costumes, see and feel the energy of our performers and acrobats."

King was also the director of the international traveling show "Michael Jackson Immortal," which, coincidentally, also made its debut at Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas. King promises a more intimate experience for audiences who see "ONE," whereas "Immortal"—which is on tour globally through at least the end of 2014—was designed with more of an arena rock show feel to it.

Cirque has described the plot of ONE as a "theatrical evocation of Michael's creative genius. Guided and inspired by his music, four misfits set out on a transformative adventure. By journey's end, they will personify Michael's agility, courage, playfulness, and love."

## WHERE

Mandalay Bay

## WHEN

Opens May 23

Showtime: Sat.-Wed., 7 & 10 p.m.

## TICKETS

[mandalaybay.com](http://mandalaybay.com), 877-632-7400

Starting at \$69

## ALSO AT MANDALAY BAY

Santana (House of Blues), May 1, 3-5, 8, 10-12, 22, 24-26, 29, 31; June 1-2

Vegas Uncork'd by *bon appetite*, May 9-12

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Gary Allan, May 11

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The Smith Center for the Performing Arts  
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"American Idiot," a 2010 Tony Award-nominated Best Musical and 2010 Grammy Award winner for Best Musical Show Album, features the music of Green Day with the lyrics of lead singer Billie Joe Armstrong.

Winner of two Tony Awards, "American Idiot" is the story of three boyhood friends, each searching for meaning in a post-9-11 world. Through incredible spectacle and thrilling performances, the show has given audiences the time of their lives night after night since its Broadway run at the St. James Theatre (March 2010-April 2011) and its subsequent national tour, which launched December 2011 in Toronto.

Showtimes: Tues.-Sun., 7:30 p.m.  
Sat. & Sun., 2 p.m.

## Also at The Smith Center

Romeo & Juliet (Nevada Ballet Theatre), May 11-12  
"Billy Elliot the Musical," May 14-19  
Olympia Dukakis in "ROSE," May 21  
A Motown Extravaganza, May 24-25  
Preservation Hall Jazz Band & Del McCoury Band, May 31  
The Tenors, June 2  
Jewel, June 6



**Andrew Dice Clay** | Hard Rock Hotel  
May 9-12, 23-26  
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## NEWS

- The **Tropicana Theater** reopened in February unveiling a state-of-the-art venue. To celebrate the groundbreaking event, popular band Chicago welcomed the first patrons to the new venue designed to create an intimate connection between audiences and the talents on its storied stage.

- To celebrate 20 years of performing in Las Vegas, **Penn & Teller** have extended their show through 2018 at Rio All-Suite Hotel & Casino, making the twisted duo the longest-running headliners at the same property in Las Vegas history.

**Las Vegas Rocks Variety Show** | LVH  
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Show"** | The Venetian  
Dark Tues. & Wed.  
venetian.com, 866-641-7469

**Legends in Concert** | Flamingo  
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flamingolasvegas.com,  
702-777-7776

**Terry Bradshaw: America's Favorite  
Dumb Blonde...A Life in Four  
Quarters** | The Mirage  
June 28-29  
mirage.com, 800-963-9634

## SHOWS OF INTEREST

**Elton John** | Caesars Palace  
May 1, 4-5, 8-11  
thecolosseum.com, 800-745-3000

**Tony Bennett** | Caesars Palace  
May 3  
thecolosseum.com, 800-745-3000

**Blues Traveler** | Henderson Pavilion  
May 17  
hendersonlive.com, 702-267-4849

**David Alan Grier** | Harrah's Las Vegas  
May 24-26  
harrahslasvegas.com



# WET 'N' WILD LAS VEGAS

New waterpark promises to help Southern Nevadans and tourists beat the heat.

BY CAMBRIA ROTH

Las Vegas is traditionally known as an adult destination. But when Las Vegas Ted Stringer heard about the new waterpark, Wet 'n' Wild, opening in late May in southwest Las Vegas, he knew it would fit right in. Stringer received the most votes for his contribution of "Red Rock Bay" in Wet 'n' Wild Las Vegas' Wave Pool Naming Contest.

"When I looked at the location of the waterpark in proximity to Red Rock Canyon [National Conservation Area], the name Red Rock Bay just seemed to roll off the tongue," Stringer says. "I think it is fantastic that the location is away from the Strip."

The new waterpark, scheduled to open Memorial Day Weekend, has been highly anticipated by residents. A Facebook page called "Bring back Wet 'n' Wild to Las Vegas" had more than 56,000 likes as of March, the park's official Facebook page had more than 36,000 likes, and the company has had many requests for a large-scale waterpark in Las Vegas.

"Las Vegas is a perfect location for a world-class waterpark attraction, and the climate certainly is ideal and provides the opportunity for a longer operating season beyond that of a traditional waterpark," says Director of Marketing Trevor Wilson. "We feel the park will be a great family destination that the community has been missing and will cater to inbound visitors who are looking

# Wet 'n' Wild<sup>®</sup> Las Vegas



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way into the belly of a snake, and then take on the tightest and highest turns in the world at speeds up to 18 mph.

The Hoover Half Pipe, named for nearby Hoover Dam, is unique to Nevada and provides a whitewater rafting experience with an unexpected drop of 57 feet. As riders go vertical, they are shot up the side of the Hoover wall.

For park visitors who want a more relaxing experience, the Colorado Cooler lazy river provides a 1,000-foot winding waterway. The Red Rock Bay wave pool allows guests to take a break from rides and lounge on the makeshift beach or body surf in the waves.

Stringer and his daughter are most excited to ride Desert Racers, which they have tried at other parks. “You get on a mat and race down a speedway to see who can get to the bottom fastest,” Stringer says. “My wife, on the other hand, is most excited to get on a tube and go for a relaxing ride.”

Not only will the waterpark contribute to the growing family-friendly atmosphere in Las Vegas, but it will also provide hundreds of summer jobs for youth in the community. The waterpark could potentially welcome 650,000 people annually and employ more than 300 seasonal workers. ▾

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

### Wet 'n' Wild Las Vegas

7055 S. Fort Apache Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89148

wetwildlasvegas.com

702-979-1600

for family-friendly recreational activities. Southern Nevada has almost 2 million residents and 39 million visitors each year, and there hasn't been a waterpark in Las Vegas for some time.”

The previous Wet 'n' Wild was located on the Las Vegas Strip for 20 years. It closed, much to the dismay of many locals, in 2004 due to plans for a new casino-resort that was never built. “Our family has joined the YMCA, but there aren't enough public pools for kids during the summer, so I think this will be very well received,” Stringer says.

The new \$50-million waterpark will feature more than 25 thrilling slides and attractions for adrenaline junkies. One of those slides is the Rattler water slide, the first of its kind. The three-person Rattler takes riders through 360 feet of twists and turns and features two “rattles” that shake riders and deliver sensational oscillations as they descend into a pool below.

A fan favorite at Wet 'n' Wild Phoenix is the Constrictor slide, which was voted a Top 5 water slide by the *Travel Channel's* Extreme Water Parks program. On this slide, riders make their



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**Reno-Sparks Convention & Visitors Authority**  
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**Battle Mountain (Lander County Convention & Tourism Authority)**  
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 loverslock.com, 775-273-7213

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 townofminden.com, 775-782-5976

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**Mesquite (City of)**  
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 moapavalleychamber.com,  
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**Oats Park Art Center, Fallon**  
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## Go West, Westburg

"We drove 1,400 miles in five days and saw some beautifully bleak landscapes interrupted by small towns, state parks, and recreation areas we previously knew nothing about," says Gene Westburg of North Las Vegas.

What made us especially proud of Gene's March road trip is that he used *Nevada Magazine* archives and the latest Travel Nevada visitor's guide exclusively to plan his trip. As you can see, he came back with some brilliant images. "As an experiment I processed almost all of these in HDR and am pleased with the results," he says.

For Westburg, who has been a Nevada resident not even two years, this was a get-to-know-the-Silver State road trip. "I'm looking for good food, interesting towns, and old cars and buildings to photograph," he said prior to the journey. He visited Caliente, Cathedral Gorge State Park, Baker, Ward Charcoal Ovens State Historic Park, Eureka, and the ghost town of Berlin, to name a few Nevada locations.

PHOTOS BY GENE WESTBURG | [PBASE.COM/MUDSHARK99](http://PBASE.COM/MUDSHARK99)



TOP TO BOTTOM: Cathedral Gorge State Park, U.S. Highway 50 near Austin, and Berlin.



PHOTOS FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: POLINA RAYKOV, DOTTY MOLT, GLENN PFALMER, JAY WANTA, MIKE LIENHARD



# 2013



## Great Nevada Picture Hunt

*Nevada Magazine's* 36th annual Great Nevada Picture Hunt photo contest is now open for submissions.

Winning entries will be published in our September/October 2013 issue, and awards will be given for Grand Prize and 2nd through 4th Places. Honorable Mentions will also be named. All winners and Honorable Mentions will receive frame-ready certificates.

Photographers, please include your name and contact information along with location and detailed caption info for each submission. Seven (7) entries per photographer maximum. Photo must be from 2010 or later.

JPEG is the preferred format for submissions (file size 400KB-2MB per photo and a 10MB maximum per e-mail). All entries should be e-mailed to [snebeker@nevadamagazine.com](mailto:snebeker@nevadamagazine.com).

For complete contest rules, please visit our website: [nevadamagazine.com](http://nevadamagazine.com).

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**Deadline: Monday, July 1, 2013, 5 p.m. Pacific**

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