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June 6 - *Rare Earth and Bill Haley's Comets*

July 3-5

Independence Celebration: "American Pie 4th of July"

July 3 - *Janis Joplin's Original Band Big Brother & The Holding Company*

July 4 - *The Grass Roots*

July 16-26

"One Giant Leap: 40th Anniversary of Moon Landing"

July 18 - *Jefferson Starship*

July 25 - *The 5th Dimension*

August 14-16

"Woodstock TributePalooza: 40th Anniversary of Woodstock"

Tribute Bands All Weekend

September 4-7

Labor Day Weekend: "End of Summer, What a Bummer Bash"

Sept 5 - *Canned Heat*

Sept 6 - *Three Dog Night*

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Clockwise from top left: Dan Blocker, Michael Landon, Lorne Greene, and Pernell Roberts pose at Lake Tahoe in 1962.

Our 12th Annual Best of Nevada



If *Nevada Magazine* were to choose the Silver State's "bests," it would be mission impossible. There are just too many options. That's why we leave the tough decisions to our readers. For the second year in a row, voting in our yearly Best of Nevada survey was conducted on nevadamagazine.com. And the winners are... **10**



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Rescuing the Range

The changing nature of ranching in Nevada is a tale shrouded by heartbreak and nostalgia. But there are many who are working hard to punctuate the story with a happy ending. For ranchers across the state, such a resolution depends on finding the means to maintain a way of life that is as Nevada as sagebrush.

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- ▶ Energetic couple Zowie Bowie rocks Las Vegas—The Lounge at The Palms to be specific.
- ▶ Your guide to Reno-Sparks' popular classic-car festival, Hot August Nights, coming July 31-August 9.
- ▶ Get to know (and learn how to make) one of South Lake Tahoe's signature drinks, the Rum Runner.
- ▶ New pools: Grand Sierra Resort's The Beach, The Palazzo's AZURE, and M Resort's Daydream.
- ▶ The City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a trails photo contest through August 31.



STATE OF
NEVADA

the dog daze of summer

"The road of life twists and turns, and no two directions are ever the same. Yet our lessons come from the journey, not the destination."

—Don Williams Jr., American writer

At mile five, I felt great. Mile 10, I was feeling the burn. Mile 15, I nearly gave up. Mile 20, my feet were hamburger. And that was just the first day.

Such is the torturous tale of an inexperienced backpacker on the Tahoe Rim Trail.



Thirty-six miles in two days—it sounded crazy when Associate Editor Charlie Johnston proposed it to me, but I was up for the challenge. Little did I know...

A theme in this issue is journeys, and what we learn and experience along the way. I learned the hard way that 20 miles a day is too much for a beginner, and that good equipment is a backpacking necessity. But my favorite memory from last summer's excursion

came while setting up camp at the end of day one. We had brought our two dogs, Riley and Riley. After covering 20 miles, the two still had the energy to play-wrestle, while I struggled to walk due to the intense pain pulsating from my feet.

Unfortunately, one Riley (who belonged to Charlie's friend and is pictured with me above) died not long after the backpacking trip, but he'll always be there pushing me when things take a turn for the worse in the great outdoors. Read on to see how Charlie ditched Man's Best Friend and me to take on two more arduous journeys on the Ruby Crest and Toiyabe Crest national recreation trails.

Much like Riley on the Rim Trail, Alice Ramsey is a symbol of the spirit of endurance. In 1909, she became the first woman to drive across the country, gaining more respect with each mile and inspiring future generations of women who would go on to do extraordinary things. Read about Ramsey, plus Emily Jane Anderson's centennial drive, on page 44.

This issue is just as much about milestones as it is journeys—and the two go hand in hand. It's been 50 years since television's "Bonanza" debuted. Read about the anniversary convention to be held at South Lake Tahoe in September (page 62), coincidentally the same month Carson City will celebrate the Governor's Mansion centennial (22). Our features explore the state of the Nevada ranching industry, and we unveil our 12th annual Best of Nevada winners.

Enjoy your journey.

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Last issue, as a nonprofit, we introduced the concept of a Friends of Nevada Magazine program. Keep checking nevadamagazine.com in the coming weeks for details.

Matthew B. Brown, Editor

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Just when I thought *Nevada Magazine* couldn't get any better, your May/June issue proved me wrong. The "Name Game" article was fun, interesting, and educational. My husband and I have been to Lamoille, Genoa, and Bonnie Springs, and your portrayal of these areas gives one a sense of being there. Although I live in Las Vegas, I'm glad to see that you are giving your readers a chance to see that there's a lot more to Nevada than just Las Vegas. Thank you.

Karyn Schmidt, Las Vegas

I read your "Name Game" article in the May/June issue, and I think [the quote] is wrong about Mina being bigger than Hawthorne during World War II. I lived in Hawthorne from 1942 to 1947, and my father worked at the ammunition depot there. Besides all of the people that worked at the ammunition depot, at one time there were 4,000 sailors and hundreds of Marines. I have continued to go back to Hawthorne, and it is much smaller now, but I think if you check the census from that time you will find that Mina was never bigger than Hawthorne.

Evelyn Smith, Peoria (Illinois)

The article printed in the May/June 2009 issue on Bonnie Springs Old Nevada has a few inaccuracies:

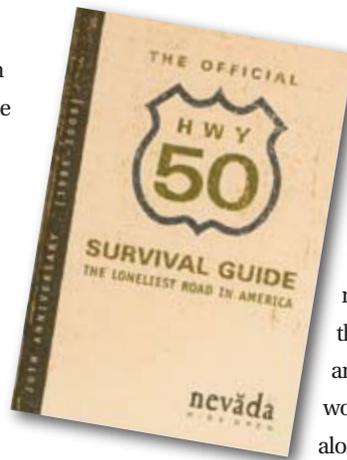
- The wax museum is closed indefinitely.
- Joe Tasso's title is operations manager.
- The Rowdy Rancher (hamburger) is no longer on the kids menu.
- The menus aren't on bottles anymore—they're on boards branded with our logo.
- We do not have a jukebox, and our fire pit is located between the restaurant and bar. It also acts as a water fountain during the summer.

Missie Pensinger, Bonnie Springs

[In the May/June issue], the picture on page 34 of the Pony Express rider in Genoa wasn't identified as the annual re-ride, nor did it specify the rider. Why?

It is Larry McPherson, who is an important part of the Nevada Division of the National Pony Express Association.

Ron Norton, NPEA



My wife and I have visited Nevada many times in the last 30 years, but last fall I finally had a chance to travel [U.S. Highway] 50 across Nevada. Your magazine has had numerous articles regarding the "Loneliest Road in America," and the adventure was well worth the trip. The small towns along the way are snapshots of rural America in all its glory. The

people are wonderful, and I encourage everyone to take the trip as the scenery is out of this world. Keep the articles coming on Nevada's small towns.

Stephen Prestegard, Waupaca (Wisconsin)

Highway 50 travelers can get the *Survival Guide* (pictured) validated in five different towns. Visit travelnevada.com for more info.

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Julie Foster loves to drive—especially in Nevada. When not planning her next road trip, she works as a freelance writer and book reviewer in Sacramento. Several summers ago, following a trip across the Silver State on U.S. Highway 50, she began researching the history of the Loneliest Road in America. She is currently writing a narrative weaving together accounts by early travelers such as Alice Ramsey, along with contemporary stories gathered from her travels. Visit juliefosterwrites.com to see more of her work.



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DAVID BUNKER

Truckee's David Bunker spent his infancy in a drafty, 100-year old ranch cabin in Oklahoma, where his father worked as a cowboy. Those early ranching experiences must have rubbed off, because over his years working as a reporter he has returned to the subject of cattle ranching over and over again. For this issue's feature story, he got an inside look at the rich history of Nevada ranches and the unique challenges facing these multigenerational families in Carson Valley and beyond.



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RYAN SALM

Ryan Salm is a travel-adventure photographer from Lake Tahoe. For the past 12 years, he has been traveling the far-off reaches of the globe in search of radiant colors, vivid landscapes, and enticing faces. Journeys on back roads with locals have created a common theme in Salm's work. For his recent assignment for *Nevada Magazine*, Salm felt at home driving the country roads of Genoa at sunrise in search of ranching images. For more of his work, including Nevada landscapes, visit ryansalmphotography.com.



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◆ Former “NBC Nightly News” anchor **Tom Brokaw** started a cross-country road trip along U.S. Highway 50 in the spring. Included in his trip are more than 400 miles along the Loneliest Road in America and possible visits to towns such as Ely, Eureka, Austin, Fallon, Carson City, and Stateline. His documentary on the trip is set to air on USA Network in January 2010. usanetwork.com

◆ Pat Sajak, Vanna White, and the “**Wheel of Fortune**” crew will take to the Las Vegas Strip July 17, 18, 20, and 21 to film four weeks of the most syndicated game show in the country. The Venetian and The Palazzo will host the series, to be aired starting September 14 as a kick-off to the show’s 27th season. wheeloffortune.com

◆ The **Squaw Valley USA** Ski Museum Foundation announced plans for a new museum that will cover the history of the 1960 Squaw Valley Olympic Winter Games and the skiing heritage of the Western United States. The foundation is asking anyone with memorabilia from the games to contact them at svomuseum@gmail.com or 530-581-8701.

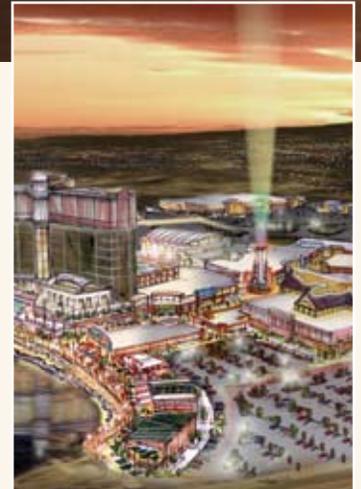
◆ **Helen Stewart**, “The First Lady of Las Vegas,” spent years collecting Paiute baskets. After her death in 1926, the baskets were sold and scattered around the country. Only one basket remained in the family, and it is now on display at the Nevada State Museum in Las Vegas. nevadaculture.org, 702-486-5205



SHOPPING

A Legendary Summer in Sparks

The Legends at Sparks Marina held its grand opening in June and continues the celebration throughout the summer. From July 31 to August 9, the property hosts a multitude of events and family activities such as fireworks and a free headliner concert on Saturday, August 1. The free Summer Music Series continues every Saturday through August 29. “[Legends] is a place to bring the family, spend the day, and have a really great time,” says general manager Dennis McGovern. Anchored by mega sports and outdoors store Scheels, Legends boasts almost 50 new stores such as Adidas, Banana Republic, Saks Fifth Avenue Off 5th, Tommy Hilfiger, Guess and Nike factory stores, and Gap and Samsonite outlets. Legends restaurants include Olive Garden and Jazz, A Louisiana Kitchen. experiencelegends.com



RECREATION

Field of Dreams

The nonprofit Miracle League of Las Vegas is dedicated to giving disabled Clark County children the opportunity to play baseball. In April, that commitment took physical form with the groundbreaking of a Miracle League field. The park was made possible through the generosity of local businesses, philanthropists, and the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). “Every child deserves the chance to play baseball,” says Tim McGarry, acting president of the Miracle League of Las Vegas. The facility is set to open this fall. miracleleaguelasvegas.com

PHOTO: CHARLIE JOHNSTON (TOP)

TOUR

Murder Mystery

If you've ever found yourself taking notes during "CSI: Las Vegas," you might consider taking the next step and solving your own Las Vegas mystery. Mystery Adventures offers amateur sleuths an exciting chance to test their wits against secret codes, hidden clues, and tangible crime scenes. In addition to the popular Friends & Family Package, suitable for adults and children 10 and older, there are adventures for parties and businesses. mysteryadventureslasvegas.com, 877-893-6449



HISTORY

Trans-Atlantic Friendship

As a token of goodwill during the aftermath of World War II, the Friendship Train was loaded with nonperishable foods, clothing, and other goods and sent to France and Italy. Two years later, the French showed their gratitude with a train loaded with gifts and thank you cards called the Merci Train. To commemorate the 60th anniversary of the train, the Nevada State Museum in Carson City (775-687-4810) has begun the Merci Project, which will translate some of the notes received from the French to connect them to their corresponding gifts. An original boxcar and sample gifts from the train are on display at the Nevada State Railroad Museum in Carson City (775-687-6953). The museums are searching for Nevadans who were involved in the Friendship Train project or have memories of the train's arrival. nevadaculture.org



◆ The **El Cortez Cabana Suites** opened in March in downtown Las Vegas. The retro Miami boutique hotel is the latest addition to the city's newly revamped Fremont East Entertainment District. elcortezcabanasuites.com, 800-634-6703

◆ The **Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority** launched three new Web sites aimed to draw visitors to the area: visitmeinreno.com, visitmeinsparks.com, and visitmeintahoe.com.

◆ In the wake of Reno's successful downtown Truckee River Whitewater Park, the City of Sparks unveiled in June the **Whitewater Park at Rock Park**. cityofsparks.us

◆ An essay by a fourth-grade class at Beatty Elementary School in Las Vegas was responsible for designating the **Vivid Dancer Damselfly** as Nevada's official state insect. Among the students' reasons were the insect's wide distribution around the state and its silver and blue markings.

◆ The 19-acre **Madeira Canyon Park** opened in Henderson in May. The park includes baseball and multiuse fields, basketball and tennis courts, barbecues, a playground, horseshoe pits, restrooms, and picnic areas. cityofhenderson.com

◆ Darin Talbot's CD, "**Around Tahoe**," debuted in June and offers visitors a "recession friendly self-guided tour of Lake Tahoe for under \$20." The 48 tracks include built-in GPS coordinates for points of interest. aroundtahoehonline.com



RESORT

Mountain Retreat from the Desert Heat

The Resort on Mount Charleston offers Las Vegas and tourists an Alpine escape from the summer heat of the valley below. Situated on the slopes of 11,915-foot Charleston Peak, the resort, a half-hour drive northwest of Las Vegas, is often 20 or more degrees cooler than the Strip. Dozens of hiking trails in the surrounding Spring Mountains provide days of family-friendly entertainment and breathtaking views. After exploring the backcountry, visitors can indulge in a treatment at the Spa at Mount Charleston before dinner at the resort's A Cut Above Restaurant. End your day in the mountains with a nightcap at the bar and lounge or retire early to a feather bed in one of the resort's 62 rooms.

mtcharlestonhotel.com, 888-559-1888



HISTORY

If These Walls Could Talk

The Dangberg Ranch in Carson Valley is one of Nevada's first ranches. Founded in 1857 by German immigrant Heinrich Friedrich Dangberg, the homestead grew from a humble log cabin into a 48,000-acre behemoth, one of the area's largest ranches. Five acres of the property have been set aside as the Dangberg Home Ranch Historic Park. Several buildings constructed between 1857 and 1916 provide a window into Nevada's past, with displays of artifacts spanning the property's 150-year history. Tours are available by appointment Wednesdays through Fridays at 10 a.m. and Saturdays and Sundays at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. parks.nv.gov, 775-783-9417

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"Rural" constitutes the highest vote getter outside of Carson City, Las Vegas, and Reno in a given category. The Statewide Runner-Up designation is given to the most votes outside the winners of North/South/Rural. Without further ado, here are the results from our 12th annual poll.

ADVENTURE OUTING

North: Lake Tahoe
visitinglaketahoe.com

**South: Red Rock
Canyon National
Conservation Area**
redrockcanyonlv.org

**Rural: Ruby Mountains
& Lamoille Canyon**
fs.fed.us/r4/htnf

**Statewide Runner-Up:
Lake Mead National
Recreation Area**
nps.gov/lame

BUFFET

**North: Toucan Charlie's,
Atlantis, Reno**
atlantiscasino.com

**South: Carnival World
Buffet, Rio All-Suite,
Las Vegas**
riolasvegas.com

**Rural: Red Lion Coffee
Garden Restaurant, Elko**
redlion.com

**Statewide Runner-Up (Tie):
The Buffet, Eldorado,
Reno & Rum Jungle
Buffet, Casino Fandango,
Carson City**
eldoradoreno.com,
casinofandango.com

CASINO

North: Atlantis, Reno
atlantiscasino.com

**South: Bellagio,
Las Vegas**
bellagio.com

**Rural: Cal Neva Resort,
Crystal Bay**
calnevaresort.com

**Statewide Runner-Up (Tie):
Silver Legacy, Reno
& Peppermill, Reno**
silverlegacyreno.com,
peppermillreno.com

ENTERTAINER

Greg London
gregorylondon.com

EVENT

**North: Hot August
Nights, Reno-Sparks**
hotaugustnights.net

**South: National Finals
Rodeo, Las Vegas**
nfrexperience.com

**Rural: National Cowboy
Poetry Gathering, Elko**
westernfolklife.org

**Statewide Runner-Up:
Best in the West Nugget
Rib Cook-off, Sparks**
janugget.com



Greg London's "ICONMAN"

gregorylondon.com

From his smash-hit production "West End" in London, to his record-breaking run

as ICONMAN at Harrah's Reno, Greg London is an entertainer without peer. Icon Clint Eastwood referred to London's performance as "truly great, inspirational, and emotionally charged." "A virtuoso display of impressions," wrote Mel Shields of the *Sacramento Bee*. To round out his talents, London is the newest AC Radio star to hit the airwaves. His song, "Everything I Own," was declared the highest charting single by a new artist in 2009.

Best in the West Nugget Rib Cook-off SPARKS

janugget.com

By the numbers, the Best in the West Nugget Rib Cook-off is one of the biggest late-summer annual bashes in the country: 100 tons of ribs, 24 of the finest rib cookers in America, six days, and half a million barbecue lovers. Free headliner concerts, arts and crafts booths, the annual rib-eating contest, and a kids fun park add to the excitement of this extended Labor Day weekend event, September 2-7.





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The Springs Preserve—another side of Las Vegas



The Resort at Red Hawk SPARKS

GOLF COURSE

North: The Resort at Red Hawk, Sparks
resortatredhawk.com

South: Tournament Players Club, Las Vegas
tpc.com/lasvegas

Rural: Ruby View, Elko
ci.elko.nv.us

Statewide Runner-Up (Tie): Silver Oak Golf Course, Carson City & Montrêux Golf & Country Club, Reno
silveroakgolf.com,
montrouxgolf.com

HOTEL

North: Peppermill, Reno
peppermillreno.com

South: Bellagio, Las Vegas
bellagio.com

Rural: Harrah's Lake Tahoe, Stateline
harrahslaketahoe.com

Statewide Runner-Up (Tie): Atlantis, Reno & JW Marriott Las Vegas Resort & Spa
atlantiscasino.com,
jwlasvegasresort.com

MUSEUM

North: Nevada State Museum, Carson City
nevadaculture.org

South: Atomic Testing Museum, Las Vegas
atomictestingmuseum.org

Rural: Nevada Northern Railway, Ely
nnry.com

Statewide Runner-Up: Nevada Museum of Art, Reno
nevadaart.org

NIGHTCLUB

North: Edge, Peppermill, Reno
peppermillreno.com

South: Tao, The Venetian, Las Vegas
taolasvegas.com

Rural: Vex, Harrah's Lake Tahoe, Stateline
harrahslaketahoe.com

Statewide Runner-Up: Aura Ultra Lounge, Silver Legacy, Reno
silverlegacyreno.com

PLACE TO SHOP

North: The Summit Reno
thesummitonline.com

South (Tie): Fashion Show Mall & The Forum Shops at Caesars Palace
thefashionshow.com,
caesarspalace.com

Rural: Fashion Outlets of Las Vegas, Primm
fashionoutletlasvegas.com

Statewide Runner-Up: Town Square, Las Vegas
townsquarelasvegas.com

PLACE TO TAKE KIDS

North: Wild Island Family Adventure Park, Sparks
wildisland.com

South: Springs Preserve, Las Vegas
springspreserve.org

Rural: Nevada Northern Railway, Ely
nnry.com

Statewide Runner-Up (Tie): Circus Circus, Reno & Las Vegas
circusreno.com,
circuscircus.com

resortatredhawk.com

The Resort at Red Hawk offers two championship golf courses. The public Lakes Course, designed by Robert Trent Jones Jr. and an eight-time Best of Nevada winner, offers more than 100 bunkers amongst natural lakes and wildlife. The private Hills Course, designed by Hale Irwin, features dramatic elevations, small greens, and sweeping views of the Spanish Springs Valley. Red Hawk also offers tournament and instructional services, unrivaled memberships, David's Grill, Golf Shop, Swim and Fitness Center, special-event facilities, and golf villas.



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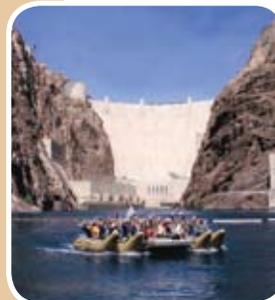
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SPA BELLAGIO

Las Vegas offers the ultimate sensual and relaxing global journey.

BY MARISA FINETTI

Traipsing across the globe would have been the dream vacation this summer, but with no airline ticket, I was out of luck. What I did have, however, was a cozy robe, a pair of slippers, and before me, a city with one of the highest concentration of resort spas in the world. This was my ticket to the ultimate world travel itinerary.

First stop was Indonesia—actually, 17th-century Java. Found within the chocolate suede walls of The Spa at Trump is a respite set in the Far East. While I sat in the relaxation room, I engaged in conversation with another guest. She had finished her service earlier that morning, but was still embracing every blissful moment. “I don’t even feel like we’re in Las Vegas,” she says. “I just closed my eyes during the ritual, and it

took me [to another place].” By then I, too, was ready to be transported to a time when regal brides-to-be received the traditional Royal Lurlur Ritual. My therapist explained how the bride’s closest friends and family members would perform this treatment for 40 consecutive days before the wedding, during which time they would offer advice.

The aromatic fusion of jasmine and frangipani tingled my olfactory system and prepared me for what would come next—a full body scrub using indigenous ingredients comprised of warm turmeric, rice, and exotic spices. This preceded a lavish application of warm yogurt. Then, I was wrapped in a cocoon as my own body heat intensified the effectiveness of this royal ritual. What followed were a warm rain-like shower and a long soak in a floral-scented tub in which I sank deeper into relaxation. The Lurlur concluded with a full body massage and



Las Vegas is known worldwide for its elegant spas. The city’s long list of treatment facilities includes the new ElevenSpa Vegas. Mesquite, a short drive away, also makes for a great spa getaway.



SPA BELLAGIO'S WATSU MASSAGE



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moisturizing treatment, infused with sweet and spicy florals for a lasting effect.

I then traveled to Japan, where I visited the origin of Zen Shiatsu, a form of bodywork administered by pressure, which is said to release blockages along the body's meridians. Next up was a hybrid series of gentle movements and stretches under water in a small, waist-deep pool called Watsu, which emerged during the 1980s from a small town in California. Surrounded by contemplative Zen-like walls that reminded me of raked sand in a Kyoto garden, it was hard to believe that I was inside Spa Bellagio.

Alice, my therapist, recommended I allow my body to move freely during the session. "I will not be speaking to you," she whispered. My eyes were closed as I glided across the water on my back. She drew me over the water and gently manipulated my body to move in ways it does not on land. I drifted lightly, like delicate cherry blossom petals whirling in the gentlest breeze. At any given moment I was cradled in her arms like a child and then set free at arm's length. After 70 minutes of sheer weightlessness, I felt harmony.

Water may be life's ultimate elixir, but I discovered that the arid desert of the Middle East has a cleansing ritual like no other. Within the sprawling 134,000-square-foot Canyon Ranch SpaClub is a treatment like something out of "Arabian Nights" called the Rasul Ceremony. This mud-purifying ritual can be sequestered solo or with a partner, so I enlisted my husband for this leg of the tour. The Rasul was a ritual for women of the harem and often used as a prenuptial ceremony. Our Rasul took place within an enchanting ceremonial chamber, adorned with mosaic and gilded tiles. In the center were five bowls of colorful detoxifying mud, each meant to be applied to different parts of the body. After the mud application we sat in our thrones, facing each other, as warm, herb-infused steam filled the chamber for 35 minutes. Then, from the starry ceiling, an invigorating rain shower washed the mud away and took all our cares with it.

Spas do their magic of chasing stress away, but when you add a luscious ingredient like wine, it's like traveling to another state of sensorial relaxation. Along the Garonne River in Bordeaux, France, where the Cabernet grape is

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—JANET M. GEARY

king, came the creation of vinotherapy. The idea was that the veritable grape, including all its parts—pulp, seeds, and skin—had potent youth-promoting properties. The Ritz-Carlton Spa, Lake Las Vegas sets the tone for an unforgettable vineyard-inspired treatment, appropriately called Le Vin Wine Therapy. The surroundings are reminiscent of the gardens in Versailles, and the balmy Mediterranean feel of the spa soothes the soul. As I lay between delicate layers of butter-soft sheets, my therapist applied a gommage containing Chardonnay grape extracts. After a refreshing rinse, I was back on the bed for a sumptuous Chardonnay moisturizing treatment with notes of apples and grapefruit. My body was rejuvenated after this blissful experience.

There was one final stop before returning home, and that was 1940s Hollywood. The newly opened ElevenSpa Vegas would have been a favorite among luminaries like Harlow and Dietrich, as it pays tribute to the days when glamour was a trade secret. First was Nikki's Amazing Facial. Named for the spa's owner, Nicole Oden, the treatment has

the same effect on customers that makeup provides on a Hollywood set. "Think about Bette Davis, Grace Kelly, Marilyn Monroe, or Ava Gardner," Oden says. "They became Hollywood icons because of their sheer confidence as women, as much as their unusual and unique beauty." The spa's own organic skin care line, containing 90 percent active ingredients, were applied on my face, while steam infused the air with subtle scents of seaweed, eucalyptus, menthol, calendula, lavender, and thyme.

After a deep cleansing, toning, and rich application of "Glow" serum, I emerged feeling renewed and ageless. Then, it was time to indulge in an ultimate hand treatment. The luxurious treatment, comprised of an exfoliation and penetrating moisturizing application, is complimentary to spa guests.

Traveling by spa in Las Vegas is like an unforgettable journey to the past, present, and future of our culturally rich world. Where global therapies offer virtual experiences, they also channel restoration and relaxation for the mind, body, and spirit. ▾

GETAWAY TO MESQUITE

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The Shirodhara massage is among the most unusual treatments I've encountered. My masseuse, Eli, starts by pouring warm scented oil over my forehead for 20 minutes and then uses the same oil to give me a deep-tissue massage. The result is a welcome calm after the drive to Mesquite (79 miles from Las Vegas). After my massage I retreat to the patio area for some down time between treatments and fall asleep in the lounge chair with the warm spring breeze blowing over me.

My afternoon treatment is a 90-minute Orange Wellness Facial with Jessica. She is knowledgeable about all things skin related and ends the treatment with a hand and foot massage—I was ready for another nap.

I met a woman named Betty, who comes to Mesquite from Colorado several times a year specifically for the spa treatments at CasaBlanca. "Going to a spa is like going on vacation; it's great while it lasts, but it's over way too quickly," she says. I know exactly what she means. —JANET M. GEARY

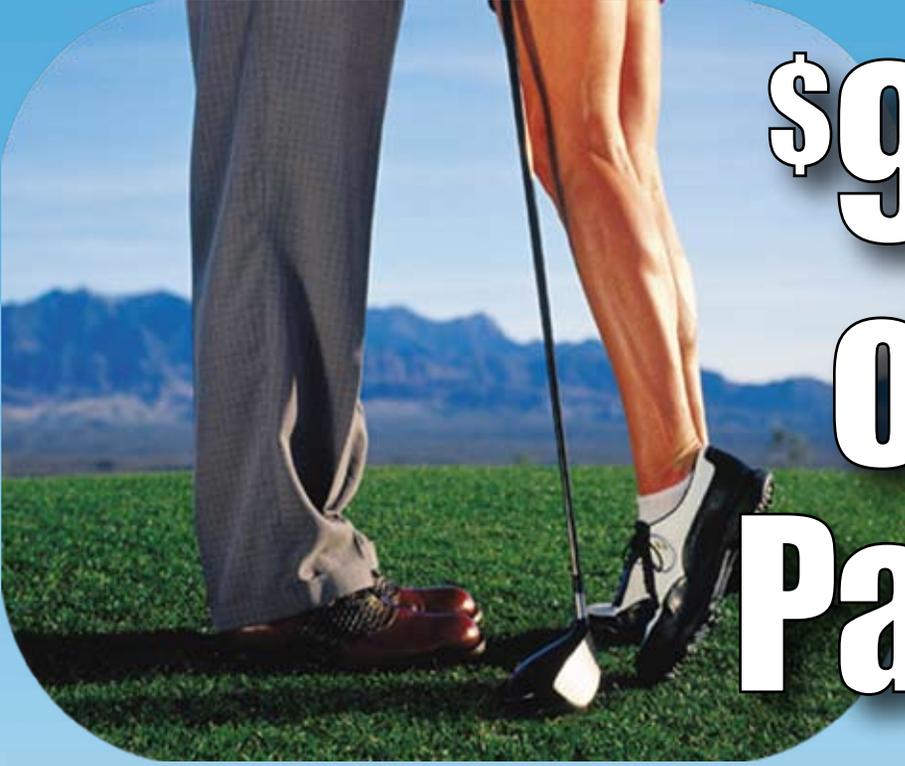


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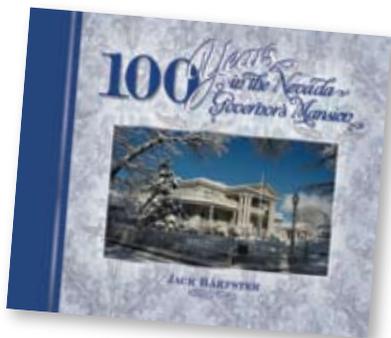
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Reno author's upcoming book details 100 years of Nevada Governor's Mansion residents.

BY JACK HARPSTER



Jack Harpster, from Reno, is a 23-year Nevada resident. He retired in 2004 following a 43-year career in the newspaper industry. This is his fourth nonfiction book. Visit nevadagovernorsmansion.com or call 702-387-5260 to order One Hundred Years in the Nevada Governor's Mansion.

On September 12, the Nevada Governor's Mansion in Carson City celebrates its centennial. More than a century earlier, on July 13, 1909, Governor Denver Dickerson and his family moved into the newly constructed house at 606 North Mountain Street, the first of 18 first families to call the Neoclassical Revival mansion home.

One Hundred Years in the Nevada Governor's Mansion, a soon-to-be-released book by Reno author Jack Harpster, will be published by Stephens Press of Las Vegas to coincide with September's centennial event. The book is an in-depth look at the historic house and the lives of its residents. The book is not about politics or state government; it is a look at the trials and tribulations, joys and sorrows, victories and defeats, and comedy and drama of the men, women, and children who have lived there.

One of the most notorious incidents in the mansion's history occurred 75 years ago, during the brief residence of Governor Morley Griswold, his wife Marianne, and their two children. Their story follows, in an excerpt from *One Hundred Years in the Nevada Governor's Mansion*.

Carson City Daily Appeal
Saturday, November 24, 1934

MYSTERIOUS BLAST OR EXPLOSION HEARD

The blast or explosion heard in Carson [City] last evening, particularly in the west part of town, is still a mystery.

Officers and others spent considerable time in attempting to find out what had happened, without success.

Plenty of persons heard the racket and felt the jar, but no one knew just where it occurred or what it was.

Further search early this morning failed to turn up any clue that would aid in solving the mystery.

Had a small earthquake struck the town? Had there been an underground mining explosion nearby? Or was it something more sinister? These questions were being asked by residents all over the west side of town, but nobody seemed to have an answer.

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Three days later a headlined story in the same newspaper, at the top of page one, explained the mystery: “Paroled Convict Attempted to Blow Up Governor’s Mansion Friday Night.”

In chilling detail, the story continued: “Dave Drawbridge, paroled from the Nevada state prison a year ago this month, has confessed to an attempt to blow the northeast corner off the governor’s mansion.”

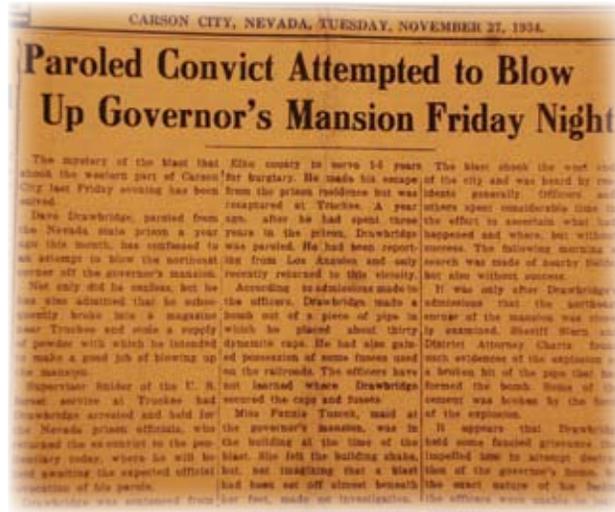
Drawbridge apparently held some grievance against the justice system, the state, the governor’s office, or perhaps Governor Griswold himself that spurred his action, although when later captured he claimed he merely wanted “to blow the corner off the house.”

“I was crazy,” he told police when they questioned him. He said he just thought it would be “fun” to blow up the building.

Drawbridge had fashioned a bomb out of a piece of pipe into which he had stuffed about 30 dynamite caps and fuses. The caps are small explosive devices generally used to detonate a larger, more powerful explosive, such as dynamite. In this case, however, it appears that no other explosive device was used other than the blasting caps.

On Friday night, believing that nobody was in the mansion, Drawbridge placed his bomb in a vent on the northeast corner of the building under the cement block foundation of the porch. Then he ran down the street about 100 yards to watch his handiwork. At 7:50 p.m. the bomb went off. Although it was not a dud, the bomb did little damage, breaking off some of the concrete and a few nearby shrubs and making a gash in the lawn.

Unknown to Drawbridge, however, was the fact that somebody was at home that evening. Fannie Tuczek, the cook and housekeeper, was reading in her upstairs bedroom when the blast occurred, but she was unharmed. She initially thought the furnace had blown up, but



Aside from landscaping, the Governor’s Mansion (below) has changed little since 1909 (opposite page). See for yourself at the centennial celebration on September 12, from 2 to 4 p.m.



after inspecting it and finding no damage, she assumed a small earthquake had struck and returned to her room.

Having failed at his first attempt, however, Drawbridge was not finished. He traveled from Carson City to Truckee, where he broke into a cabin in the woods that belonged to the U.S. Forest Service. He was apparently aware of the cabin from an earlier prison escape when he had fled to Truckee. He broke open dozens of shotgun shells that were in the cabin and harvested the powder to make another bomb for a second

try at the mansion. However, while Drawbridge was washing his clothes in the cabin, a Forest Service employee showed up and arrested him for breaking and entering, thus ending what could have been a major disaster for the Governor’s Mansion.

Drawbridge returned to prison, and his parole was revoked. He had served three years of a one-to-15-year sentence for burglary, and it is assumed he served the remainder of his sentence. He was never heard from again. ▀



Clockwise from top: Elko County's Ruby Mountains have been called Nevada's Alps. One look at Dollar Lakes (or any lake in the range for that matter) tells you why. Associate Editor Charlie Johnston scans the horizon from the crest of the Carson Range. By mid-September, it's hard to believe water ever exists at the site of Twin Lakes.

KING OF THE CRESTS

If you're an avid backpacker, test your mettle on one (or all) of Nevada's crest trails.

STORY & PHOTOS
BY CHARLIE JOHNSTON

Maybe it's the adventure of discovering what lies over the next ridge, or the solitude of a remote alpine lake at sunset, or the sense of self-reliance that comes with carrying all your earthly needs on your back. Whatever your reason, backpacking holds a special place in the hearts of adventurers worldwide—and Nevada, with its 300-plus mountain ranges, millions of acres of rugged, untamed wilderness, and thousands of miles of trails, can provide a lifetime of exploration for the intrepid backpacker.

A JEWEL OF A TREK

The Ruby Crest National Recreation Trail follows the spine of one of Nevada's most pristine, untouched locales; Elko County's Ruby Mountains. The sole paved access point, the dramatic and picturesque Lamoille Canyon Road, sees its fair share of day-trippers and overnight visitors. But rugged terrain and lingering snow (many high lakes and the pass above Overland Lake remain frozen well into June or July) keep the furthest reaches of the range reserved for the hardy few that venture out on foot or horseback. The trail is often navigated from south to north, but I suggest the reverse. Starting in Lamoille Canyon ensures you'll be fresh when the scenery is best.

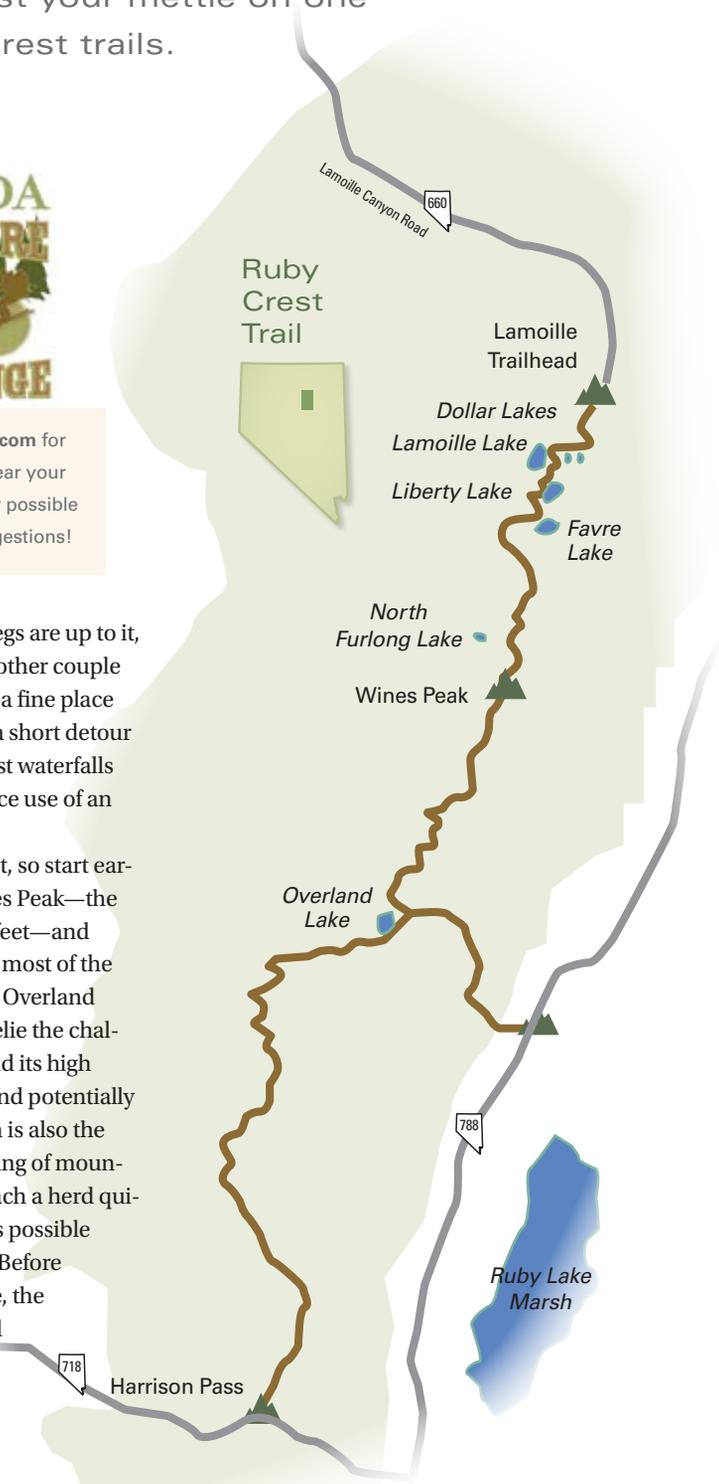
From road's end, the trail ascends past Dollar Lakes and Lamoille Lake—excellent places to camp if you get a late start—and through a series of switchbacks to 10,450-foot Liberty Pass. The descent from the pass leads to Liberty and Favre Lakes, where many people make first camp. If there is still day-



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light to burn and your legs are up to it, North Furlong Lake, another couple miles down trail, is also a fine place to camp. Alternatively, a short detour along Furlong Creek past waterfalls and beaver dams is a nice use of an afternoon.

Day two is the longest, so start early. The trail climbs Wines Peak—the highest point at 10,863 feet—and follows the crest proper most of the way to the next camp at Overland Lake. Stunning views belie the challenges of this section and its high altitude, lack of water, and potentially high winds. This section is also the place for a chance viewing of mountain goats; if you approach a herd quietly from downwind, it's possible to get within 100 yards. Before reaching Overland Lake, the trail leaves the crest and traverses the steep eastern aspect of the range. There is a primitive cabin at the north end





of the lake, but you're better off tenting it (a tent is warmer, and some visitors apparently see the cabin as a place to leave their trash).

Day three starts with a calf-burning climb up the final high pass of the trail, which can remain snow-covered through summer. Get one last look at the high peaks of the Rubies to the north; from here south the scenery is more typical of Nevada. The trail drops quickly to the western aspect of the range and crosses the North, Middle, and South Forks of Smith Creek and traverses the western flanks of Green Mountain before reaching the Green Mountain Trailhead. Most backpackers opt to prearrange a ride back to Lamoille Canyon from here, but some continue south along four-wheel-drive tracks to Harrison Pass Road for a pick up.

A (LONG) WEEKEND WALKABOUT

Lake Tahoe's epic, 165-mile Tahoe Rim Trail hardly needs an introduction. It does, however, require a formidable chunk of time—even at breakneck pace, the circumambulation requires more than a week. The section between Tahoe Meadows and Kingsbury Grade provides a healthy helping in a more manageable three-day trek along the crest of the Carson Range. Unlike the entire rim, which is usually traveled clockwise, it makes little difference which direction you choose to

hike. From the south, take State Route 207 west of Daggett Pass and turn onto North Benjamin Drive. Follow until it turns into Andria Drive and continue to the Kingsbury Grade North trailhead just past the end of the pavement.

The trail travels north through old-growth forests and around South Camp Peak before descending to Spooner Summit at U.S. Highway 50. The sections above treeline offer stunning views of the lake and California's Desolation Wilderness to the southwest. After your tricky crossing of U.S. 50 (traffic regularly exceeds 60 mph, and backpacks are notorious for slowing down their carriers), fill your water containers at

The vertigo-inducing eastern slope of the Ruby Mountains drops precipitously into Ruby Valley (top). The hut at Overland Lake is a welcome site after many trail miles, but better suited to photos than sleeping (bottom). Opposite page: The lower portions of the Kingsbury Grade section of the Tahoe Rim Trail are home to massive ponderosa pines.





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Distance: Up to 72 miles, up to five days

Difficulty: Advanced

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RESPONSIBLE BACKPACKING

■ Backpacking and hiking are not the same. With the added weight of a pack and greater distances, even beginner-level backpacking is more strenuous than advanced hiking.

■ Water can be hard to find later in the season, and some trails have long waterless sections. Fill your bottles every chance you get, even if they aren't empty.

■ ALL water should be purified with either a filter or tablets before consumption.

■ Carry a first-aid kit and map and know how to use them.

■ Carry an extra day's worth of food for unexpected delays.

■ Pack it in, pack it out, no exceptions.

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■ ALWAYS leave your itinerary and anticipated return date with someone before you leave.

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Toiyabe Crest National Recreation Trail

Spoooner Lake before starting your search for a suitable camping site. As camping is not allowed at the lake, you will have to continue down trail a few miles.

Day two presents hikers with a couple options: continue along the TRT, or drop down to Marlette Lake for a brief, scenic detour. Not choosing the latter is a mistake—the views alone at the pristine, miniature Lake Tahoe are worth the added distance. Fill your water bottles, resist the urge to camp at Marlette (it's not permitted), and regain the TRT via the North Canyon Hobart (dirt) Road on the lake's eastern edge. From the confluence of the dirt road and the trail, Marlette Peak Campground is less than a half-mile. Restrooms and bottled water (sometimes) provided by the Tahoe Rim Trail Association are your rewards for two days of strenuous backpacking.

Day three starts with choosing between the slightly longer option of crossing Marlette Peak on the west for great views of Lakes Marlette and Tahoe or sticking to the normal route for equally stellar views of Washoe Valley. The short side trip to Herlan Peak provides more views of Marlette and Tahoe, and there is a slim chance you'll find water at Twin Lakes before July. By this point you will have noticed the added trail traffic in the form of mountain bikers on even-numbered days. Though standard trail

etiquette dictates that bikers yield to hikers, it's easiest to step aside and let them pass—having the right of way doesn't keep you from being injured in the event of a collision. The trail more or less stays near the crest, with views alternating between Washoe Valley to the east and the Tahoe Basin to the West, until the descent into Tahoe Meadows.

A GRUELING EPIC

While the well-traveled trails of the Ruby Mountains and Lake Tahoe are appropriate for intermediate backpackers, central Nevada's Toiyabe Crest National Recreation Trail is for advanced backpackers only. The overgrown, often nonexistent trail is impossible to keep in parts, and long dry sections require careful water budgeting. Don't expect much company (aside from free-ranging cattle), and be prepared to fend for yourself in the event of an emergency.

From Kingston, off State Route 376, continue west up Kingston Canyon to the trailhead just beyond Groves Lake. The trail climbs steeply through abundant wild flowers for nearly 3,000 vertical feet before leveling out along the crest. A good map is paramount, as some sections seem devoid of anything even resembling a trail. When in doubt, remember that this part of the route

follows the western aspect of the range, usually about 1,000 feet below the crest. The upper drainage of Washington Creek or San Juan Creek are good places to find water, but finding a flat spot to pitch a tent is difficult.

On day two the trail traverses the western slope of Toiyabe Range Peak and descends into the Tierney and Marysville Creek drainages. This area provides a number of flat camping options that are close to water, but be very selective—cattle have fouled many of the more accessible streams and meadows.

Day three regains the crest south of French Peak and continues along the highest section of the trail past Ophir Summit (the first realistic place to exit the trail if you desire) and into the Arc Dome Wilderness. Most people choose to descend to Columbine Campground for the night as the lower altitude encourages more restful sleep.

The fourth day starts with the option to summit Arc Dome (Nye County's highest point), continue south along Big Sawmill Creek to the Reese River, or return to civilization (if you've prearranged for a pick up at Columbine). If you opt for the summit, leave your backpack at the base of the mountain—even without a pack, the three-hour side trip is very strenuous. After Arc Dome, continue along the Reese River, circling Arc Dome to the south. Be prepared for thick brush and practically nonexistent trails—the scenery is amazing, and the wilderness is pristine and remote, but the going is arduous and at times very unpleasant. Make camp along the upper Reese River.

On your fifth and final day, ascend the small pass between the Reese and South Twin Rivers. The deep canyons, towering crags, and winding rivers and streams on the eastern slope of Arc Dome are arguably the highlights of the Toiyabe Crest Trail. It's a good idea to leave your boots on for the water crossings in this section to avoid injury on the slick rocks. The trail along the South Twin is easy to follow and gradually widens as you approach the trailhead. ▽

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Eldorado Canyon's Techatticup Mine is operating again—21st-century style.

BY CONNIE MANCILLAS
PHOTOS BY SLGIBBS

The Techatticup Mine was once the richest gold producer in Southern Nevada. After World War II, the mine was abandoned and left to the harsh desert elements for more than 50 years. Today, the mine, located near Nelson in Eldorado Canyon, has new owners and new prospects. The Techatticup is destined to take a new place in Nevada history.



Tony Werly (right) and his family have restored a 50-acre piece of land in Eldorado Canyon, just east of Nelson off State Route 165.

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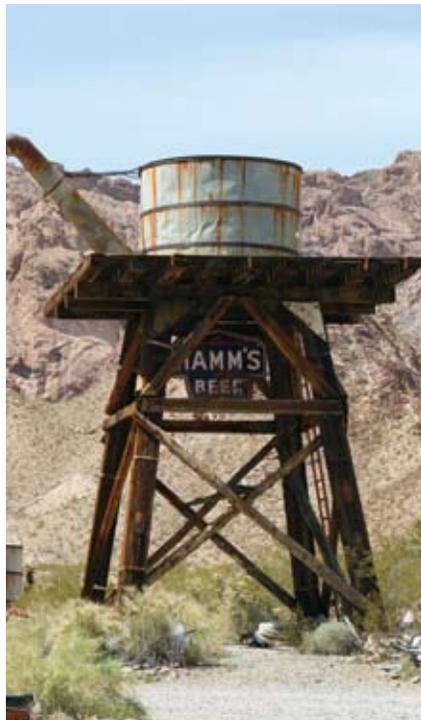
American Indians and Spanish prospectors called Eldorado Canyon home in the late 1700s. The Spaniards found silver, but not finding the gold mother lode squelched their hopes for prosperity, and they left the area.

By the 1860s, the canyon was home to prospectors who made their way up the Colorado River from Yuma, Arizona on steamboats. A number of Civil War deserters migrated to Nevada via the river, finding the isolated canyon a great place to hide out. During this time, nearly 300 people lived in Eldorado Canyon, compared to 40 in what would eventually become Las Vegas.

The mixture of cultures created a ruthless, lawless environment. Greed and gunfights over gold and women, daily claim jumping, and renegade killings fueled countless incidents of vigilante justice. The closest sheriff lived in Pioche, a 200-mile horseback ride away. He was too busy to uphold the law in Eldorado Canyon, so a cavalry of soldiers was sent to keep the peace. Many mines were staked and claimed there, making it one of the earliest and richest mining districts in the state. A tribe of Paiutes lived in the dry, barren hills surrounding Techatticup. They wandered the camps repeatedly saying “Techatticup, Techat-

ticup,” meaning, “I’m hungry.” A group of prospectors named the mine for the Paiute word.

The mine became one of the state’s largest as workers blasted and dug deeper and deeper into the hills. As the veins of rusty stained white quartz ore would end, the miners blasted a new tunnel beneath the existing one. Their quest for the elusive flakes of gold and



silver didn’t stop until there were 12 tiers of tunnels.

Techatticup, with its ore of gold, silver, copper, and lead, became one of the richest mines in the canyon. By the early 1900s, Techatticup and three other area mines had produced more than \$5 million worth of ore.

NOW...

Thanks to a forward-thinking visionary, Techatticup has injected new life and activity into Eldorado Canyon, about a 45-minute drive from Las Vegas. Today, those following the tunnel’s veins of white quartz are history buffs, tourists, and local school children. The mine has new owners—Tony and Bobbie Werly and family.

The Werly family once operated a canoe rental business in Boulder City. Canoes launched from the base of Hoover Dam and exited from the Colorado River at Eldorado Canyon. Tony began to notice the abandoned buildings of the old mining camp. “When I was growing up I used to dream of retiring to property that included an old country store and gas station,” he says.

In 1994, the family purchased 50 acres that included the mine, the company store, a stamp mill, a bunkhouse, and a few tin miner cabins. Two days



Many items and equipment from Techatticup's mining days still remain—as well as other interesting artifacts. The plane below was used in "Breakdown," starring Kurt Russell.

before closing escrow, they made a discovery that changed Techatticup's fate.

An entrance to the mine, a few inches from being completely sealed, was found. Tons of mine tailings had flowed past the entrance from the stamp mill. Mounds of white powder residue had accumulated and covered the entrance. Soon the entire family, including Tony and Bobbie's five children, were mucking tailings from the tunnel with wheelbarrows and buckets. "It took us three months of Saturdays to clear 80 yards of the tunnel," Tony says. "We dreamed of being able to open the mine for tours."

When cleared, work began to bring the tunnel up to regulated safety standards. Steel walkways, lights, emergency equipment, and proper ventilation drew immediate attention. Original buildings were restored and new ones built. Five years after acquiring it, the

Werly family had Techatticup ready to begin a new chapter in its history.

The mining camp is thriving again as word about guided tours travels. When asked about the tour, Christine Ward of Awesome Adventures says, "One of the best things is to see how the original buildings and mining equipment were kept. History comes to life right before your eyes."

The tour begins at the restored tunnel entrance located at the 200-foot level of the mine. Going back 500 feet, the tunnels of the mine maintain a pleasant 70-degree temperature year round. It is a comfortable tour, even in the summer.

The mine isn't the only draw to the area. "Surrounding the mine is spectacular scenery of teddy bear cholla (cactus), rare geologic formations, and the banks of the Colorado River," says Earl Jobson of Pink Jeep Tours. ▀



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TONOPAH

Southern Nevada town's mining history and dark skies make it a gratifying stop on the road.

BY MATTHEW B. BROWN

Minnie Perchetti describes herself as blessed. You might, too, if you were able to have coffee and toast every morning with your three sons, Bob, Bud, and Nick. Most days her grandson, Brett, pays her a visit, too.

The 89-year-old Tonopah matriarch's story epitomizes small-town America. She lives next door to the house in which she was born in 1920, and her social network extends far beyond the four pick-up trucks routinely parked in front of her house. "I know everyone and have a lot of friends," says Perchetti, who eats lunch every day with her friends at the senior center. "Ask anyone in Tonopah if they know Minnie Perchetti," says her

daughter-in-law, Deborah. "They'll tell you, 'She's a true sweetheart.' She is well loved here."

Such a tight-knit community lends itself to popular events such as Jim Butler Days, a Memorial Day Weekend tradition featuring a street dance, parade, and mining competitions. "There's always something going on," Perchetti says. "I enjoy watching the fishing derby every Father's Day at Rye Patch."

In her lifetime, Perchetti has seen Tonopah go from a buzzing mining town to the sleepy, yet intriguing, town it is today. In fact, her late husband, Tony, came to Tonopah from Michigan in the 1930s to work in the mines. Tragically, he



TONOPAH

Established: 1900
Population: 2,896
(Nye County Planning Dept.)
Elevation: 6,030

developed severe cases of silicosis and diabetes and passed away in 1973.

The town's mining history left in its wake one of the area's most popular attractions, the Tonopah Historic Mining Park. In addition to the underground adventure, visitors can enjoy preserved and restored equipment and buildings, historic exhibits, video presentations, and a self-guided tour. The park, at more than 100 acres, is located on the grounds of Jim Butler's original mining claims that started the rush to Tonopah in 1900.

The Central Nevada Museum offers even more mining memorabilia, but it also delves into the area's rich ranching, pioneer, and Western Shoshone history

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Tonopah Historic Mining Park

through displays and a vast photo collection. Visitors also get a lesson on the geology and plant life of Nye and Esmeralda Counties.

The Mizpah Hotel, in the center of town, is symbolic of the boom-and-bust reputation of Nevada's rural mining towns. The five-story hotel, dating to the early 1900s, was an elegant social center in its early days, but the property is now vacant. These days, Tonopah Station and the Banc Club provide residents and visitors an opportunity to gamble, or just socialize.

Recently *USA Today* rated Tonopah the number-one stargazing destina-

tion in America. Almost directly in the middle—geographically speaking—of Nevada's two biggest cities, Las Vegas and Reno, Tonopah isn't subjected to the same light pollution as other rural towns in the Silver State. Its surrounding skies show more than 7,000 stars, including the Milky Way, on a clear, moonless night.

Outdoor enthusiasts in the area enjoy rock hunting, hiking, bird watching, wildlife viewing, mountain biking, off-roading, and hunting. "You can have whole mountain ranges to yourself," says photographer and 26-year Tonopah resident Jim Galli. ▀

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- 1902-1904** — Wyatt Earp resides in Tonopah
- May 1905** — Tonopah becomes Nye County seat
- Nov. 17, 1908** — Mizpah Hotel opens
- 1912** — Tonopah Public Library opens
- 1913** — \$10 million in gold, silver, copper, and lead mined in Tonopah
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dinner with a view

At some Lake Tahoe restaurants, the meals must compete with the scenery.

BY KATHLEEN STEBBINS
PHOTOS BY CHARLIE JOHNSTON

It's no secret among diners that a fantastic atmosphere can elevate a good meal to great and an excellent one to sublime. And that's never truer than when dining in the company of Lake Tahoe's azure expanse and emerald mountain rim.

Whether you crave simple, hearty pub grub after a hard day on the trails or a refined gustatory adventure, Tahoe's chefs have a plate for you. The restaurateurs here aren't shy about exploiting nature's beauty to showcase their culinary work.

Incline Village resident Tom Hill likes to fire up his Sea Ray S21 powerboat on warm summer evenings for a "Wet Woody run" to Gar Woods Grill and Pier at Carnelian Bay (a Wet Woody is Gar Woods' signature blended drink). The restaurant provides a complimentary dockside boat valet. "It's

convenient to all the north shore boat ramps," Hill says. "They have a great deck for viewing the lake and sunsets. You can see the full length of the lake, all the way to Heavenly [Mountain Resort]."

Crab cakes, mahi-mahi fish tacos, and sliders are among the bar offerings, and the staff is happy to serve something from the dining room menus as well. The dinner menu presents such savory and inventive dishes as orange-soy glazed ahi, jerk-rubbed pork tenderloin, and wasabi-macadamia nut scallops.

Gar Woods draws a boisterous, diverse crowd of everyone from young singles to families to locals, and the party vibe provides a celebratory ending to an active day. As for consuming more than one Wet Woody, Hill advises a certain amount of caution: "Be careful—they slip down very easily." After enjoying Gar Woods' lakeside panorama, consider a stroll to the Sierra

Diners enjoy the weather and views from Gar Woods Grill and Pier's lakeside deck. Seared scallops with sun-dried tomato risotto cakes and prosciutto-wrapped asparagus (below) are served at The Beacon Bar and Grill. Opposite page: Nothing says beachfront dining like the seafood trio at the Lone Eagle Grille.



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Left: Big Water Grille's simple, understated décor blends well with Lake Tahoe's natural beauty. Lone Eagle Grille's smoked salmon and chive goat cheese pizza (right) is as substantial as appetizers get.

Boat Company's marina next door to check out the classic, richly restored wooden boats moored there.

Just to the south of Gar Woods in Tahoe City is Sunnyside Steakhouse and Lodge, which local resident Margie Reynolds recommends as "probably the best place on the lake to watch a full moon rise." The half-century-old rustic lakeside lodge offers two menus, the semi-casual Mountain Grill and the more formal Lakeside Dining Room, giving patrons choices ranging from mahi-mahi fish tacos to blackened ribeye or herb-roasted Kurobuta pork chop with pomegranate and dry cherry chutney. "It has a fantastic outdoor bar in the summertime, too," Reynolds says.

Across the water in Incline Village, you'll find Big Water Grille. Perched on a pine-covered hillside just below Diamond Peak Ski Resort, Big Water is one of Tahoe's best spots to sample high-end Pacific fusion cuisine while watching the setting sun's glow fade behind the peaks above the west shore. The view makes it a popular wedding destination as well. Executive Chef Jay Veregge changes his menus seasonally, but past offerings include entrées such as a Kabuto Pork Porterhouse with wilted wild frisée, roast-

ed dry mission figs, crispy onion rings, and black pepper-white truffle demi sec. Big Water's multilevel dining room complements its sophisticated cuisine, outfitted in minimalist décor with copious windows to pull in the view. But on summer evenings it's even more pleasant to take in the scenery from the heated outdoor terrace, grazing over a salad or appetizer such as sautéed soft shell crab with Thai-style curry.

An equally fine culinary experience awaits not far away at Incline Village's Lone Eagle Grille, an outpost of the Hyatt Regency Resort (across the street) with an intimate view of the beach. Consider a summer lunch on the breezy, glass-shielded outdoor patio as swimmers romp in the waves and the hotel's huge catamaran (and other water craft) come and go from its private dock.

Lunch can be as airy or substantial as you want: from the Seafood Trio (a beautifully composed appetizer of seared ahi, a seared scallop with micro greens and extra virgin olive oil, and a crisp tempura shrimp with avocado salsa), to a smoked salmon and chive goat cheese pizza.

The waitstaff is happy to recommend a wine to round out the midday meal. And for future reference, if you ever find your-

self stranded at North Lake Tahoe in a snowstorm, few experiences are as divine as watching the white stuff disappear into the icy black lake from Lone Eagle's grand-scale, wood-and-leather-intensive dining room, bookended by two enormous wood-burning fireplaces.

Looking for something a bit more casual? Across the lake to the southwest you'll find The Beacon Bar and Grill, a waterfront restaurant that's part of the resort at Camp Richardson. Here you'll find creative cuisine with a laid-back vibe. Exhausted backcountry warriors can saunter in and find comfort after an epic trek up Mount Tallac.

The lunch and bar menus offer restorative post-exertion pub chow such as grilled shrimp tacos, fish and chips, ribs, and a variety of gourmet burgers and pastas. Those looking for fancier fare will find it on the dinner menu, with entrées such as rack of lamb with a pomegranate reduction and garlic mashed potatoes and seared scallops with sun-dried tomato risotto cakes and prosciutto-wrapped asparagus.

While downing your Rum Runner (one of the south shore's signature drinks), you can watch boats and jet skis come and go from the nearby marina as sunbathers soak up the last rays of the day. The Beacon's best feature, though, is an outdoor deck that puts diners almost on the beach itself. Live music Wednesday to Sunday during the summer adds a festive vibe. "You could literally hop the rail and be on the beach," says Jay Cirillo, a frequent visitor from the Bay Area. "On a warm day I've been tempted to jump in for a swim. Especially when there's a good band and maybe you've got your boogie on." ▾

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SNAPSHOTS



DOO-WOP DYNAMO

Jerome "Little" Anthony Gourdine

Las Vegas

In 1957, Jerome Anthony Gourdine (bottom right), lead vocalist for The Duponts, joined a Doo-wop group called The Chesters. They eventually changed their name to The Imperials, and the rest is rock 'n' roll history. Their 52-year collaboration has produced 26 hit singles.

Gourdine is very excited about The Imperials' latest album. "You'll Never Know" is very important for Little Anthony & The Imperials," he says. "It's the first CD we put out on our own label. We produced, recorded, and co-financed it ourselves. Clarence produced [it], and we've been working some of the songs into our concerts over the last couple of months.

On April 4, Little Anthony & The Imperials were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. They have continued their tour schedule, which includes headlining at the Cannery in Las Vegas.

Gourdine says the group has set some lofty goals for the future. Little Anthony and The Imperials are shooting for a Grammy nomination, another performance at the Lincoln Center, a concert in Washington, D.C.

for the Senate or the White House, a special performance at The Orleans in Las Vegas, a long-running headline show in Las Vegas, another performance on The Late Show with David Letterman, an appearance on the Jay Leno and Oprah shows, and a meeting with President Barack Obama. "You only live once, ya know," he says. littleanthonyandtheimperials.com
For an extended story, visit nevadamagazine.com.



ARTIST

Daniel Lareau

Las Vegas

Daniel Lareau became an artist by what some might call unconventional means. When he was 18, Lareau joined the U.S. Air Force as a Military Illustrator at Nellis Air Force Base in Southern Nevada. Following his discharge in 1971, Lareau remained in Las Vegas and became a commercial artist. His company, Master Signs, produces illustrations for businesses all around Nevada. Lareau's watercolor paintings depict what he calls the "life and business of Nevada," and range from depictions of heavy equipment to cowboys and napping toddlers. 702-645-7782



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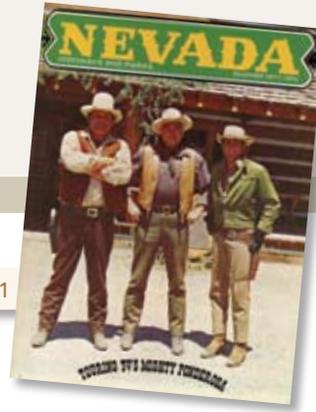
Laura Jackson

Ann Arbor, Michigan

This spring, the Reno Philharmonic appointed Laura Jackson as music director and conductor. The first woman to hold the ensemble's director position brings with her a litany of accomplishments, including assistant conductor of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and performances with the Philippines Philharmonic Orchestra, Phoenix Symphony Orchestra, and Detroit Symphony Orchestra. In March, Jackson told the *Reno Gazette-Journal* about the upcoming season. "They haven't done Mozart in a number of years," she says. "So you're going to see some of that sprinkled in." A devoted Gershwin fan, Jackson's first concert with the company will be a Gershwin Gala on August 1. In December, she will conduct a Spirit of the Season program. She is also working on a concert that will pair the orchestra's professional players with children in the youth orchestra. renophil.com, 775-323-6393

Laura Jackson makes her debut on August 1.

LOOKING BACK



SUMMER 1971

In this issue, we toured the former Ponderosa Ranch in Incline Village.

JULY

1, 1909 - Lincoln County is divided and Clark County officially formed. The new county is named for William Andrews Clark, who established the railroad that linked Los Angeles to Salt Lake City.

3, 1930 - President Herbert Hoover signs the appropriation bill for the construction of Boulder Dam, the original name for Hoover Dam.

3, 1944 - Jack Dempsey, former heavyweight-boxing champion and commander in the U.S. Coast Guard, sells \$453,000 of U.S. war bonds in Washoe County.

4, 1910 - Jack Johnson and Jim Jeffries square off in the "Fight of the Century" in Reno. Johnson, the first African American heavyweight boxing champ, wins in 15 rounds.

14, 1851 - Israel and Eliza Mott arrive at Reese's Station, which later becomes Mormon Station in Genoa. Eliza is considered the first white woman settler in the state.

20, 1846 - George Donner is elected captain of the train at the Little Sandy River. From then on, his group is known as the Donner Party.

31, 1948 - After serving in both World Wars, the *USS Nevada* battleship is deemed outdated and becomes a target in the Navy's atomic experiments.



WILLIAM A. CLARK



HOOVER DAM



JOHNSON/JEFFRIES FIGHT



PAT McCARRAN



CAESARS PALACE



HARRY TRUMAN

AUGUST

5, 1966 - Caesars Palace opens with 700 rooms on the Las Vegas Strip.

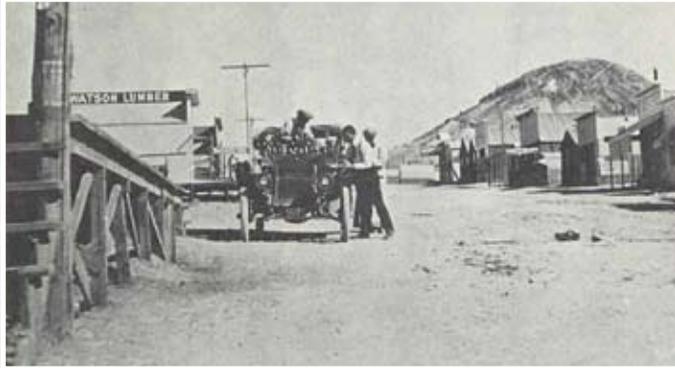
7, 1855 - A Treaty of Friendship between U.S. and Western Shoshone Indians is signed at Haws Ranch (Elko) on the Humboldt River by agent Garland Hurt and 10 principal Shoshone men.

8, 1876 - Pat McCarran, Nevada Chief Justice and U.S. Senator, is born in Reno.

17, 1919 - A miners' strike in Tonopah begins with support from the Industrial Workers of the World (Wobblies). Governor Emmet Boyle visits not to negotiate with the Wobblies, but the working men who are willing to take a more conservative stance and accept the tenets of an American capitalist system.

27, 1950 - President Harry Truman orders the U.S. Army to seize all railroads, including those in Nevada, to prevent a nationwide strike.

Nevada Magazine volunteer Elmer Wolf provided this information.



a distinguished drive

Alice Ramsey was wowed by Nevada during her historic 1909 cross-country road trip.

BY JULIE FOSTER

Alice Ramsey's most vivid Nevada memory during her 1909 visit wasn't the chocolate cake and pork chop she was served for breakfast at a ranch west of Austin; nor the "rather enjoyable" sensation she felt when she saw a dozen bare-chested American Indians on horseback, bows drawn and galloping toward her outside of Eureka; nor her delight at the beauty of the irrigated ranches surrounding Fallon. Rather, it was the electric feeling of reaching Sparks.

In Ramsey's narrative, *Veil, Duster, and Tire Iron*, she recounts the story of her historic automobile trip across the United States—she was the first woman to complete such a journey. In 1961, the 74-year-old wrote, "I shall never forget the surprise of the vista busting upon us in the darkness. Here was a hollow in which lay a community brilliantly lighted with electricity! Right out of the dark and barren desert, this almost bowled us over. It was only a couple miles from Reno and was connected to it by trolley! Surprise! Surprise! Suddenly we had returned to civilization!"

During the early 20th century, when Ramsey learned to drive her 1908 Maxwell Model K Gentleman's Roadster, reliability runs and endurance tests were popular outings for those lucky enough to own one of the new machines. Drivers

tested the dependability of their automobiles to convince skeptics that they were suitable for the average person's transportation needs. These events were also a chance for drivers to show off their skills.

During a 150-mile drive from New York City to the lighthouse on Montauk Point, Carl Kelsey, sales manager for the Maxwell-Briscoe Company, observed



Alice Ramsey (top) visited Rawhide in 1909. On June 9, Emily Jane Anderson (above) began her centennial drive to honor Ramsey, the first woman to drive across the United States.

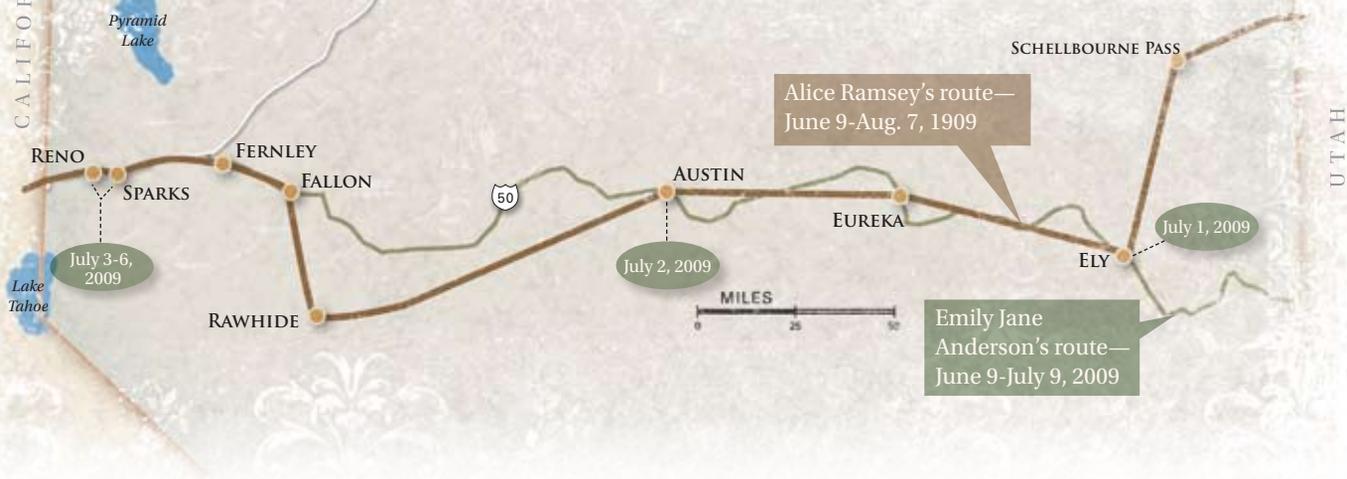
Ramsey's competence as a driver. Kelsey approached her with a challenge, proposing she become the first woman to drive across the country from Hell Gate (bridge) on the East Coast to the Golden Gate Bridge in the West. The 22-year-old accepted the proposition and accomplished the feat in August 1909. Ramsey, who made more than 30 transcontinental excursions during her lifetime, completed the 3,800-mile trip in 59 days (41 days of driving time).

Due to the primitive conditions of roads and lack of services along the route, Ramsey's 1909 Model DA Maxwell was outfitted with a 20-gallon fuel tank instead of the regular 14-gallon one, two extra tires, spare tubes, and a tire repair kit. Ramsey took along three passengers—her husband's two sisters, Nettie Powell and Margaret Atwood, and her friend, Hermine Jahns. Each of the women was allowed one suitcase, which was wrapped in rubber and attached to a rack on the back of the car. In the event the travelers not reach a scheduled food stop, they also carried picnic supplies.

Route finding was tricky, especially after the women crossed the Missouri River. Maps were incomplete. There were no road signs. Directions in guidebooks often read as such: "Turn left at the red barn with the yellow house," which worked as long as the farmer had not repainted the home blue, which happened

CALIFORNIA

TWO JOURNEYS, 100 YEARS APART



in one instance. Often, Ramsey navigated by following telegraph lines or railroad tracks. Roads turned into wagon trails and what Ramsey calls “mere horse trails” in Wyoming. Though Ramsey referred to Salt Lake City as a highlight of the trip, road conditions were still primitive there.

Ramsey was delayed several days near the Nevada-Utah border. She was forced to wait for the arrival of a new axle to replace the one damaged while attempting to cross a four-foot deep gully near Cal-lao, Utah. Anxious to continue to Nevada, Ramsey initially miscalculated her route to Ely, taking a wrong turn that forced her to backtrack before crossing Schellbourne Pass into Steptoe Valley. Road conditions improved, and Ramsey skimmed along into the “active town” of Ely. After lunch at a café owned by Bert Fuller and a send-off from the mayor, the women continued to Pat Walsh’s ranch west of Austin, where they were served the unique breakfast Ramsey remembered years later.

After purchasing oil from a general store in Rawhide, Ramsey wrote, “...there was an eight-mile climb followed by a seven-mile coast; nice traveling while it lasted!” Following the sighting of the ranches around Fallon, the women motored through Hazen, Fernley, and Wadsworth and finally into Reno, where they spent the night at the Riverside Hotel. A few days later, on August 7, Ramsey drove up San Francisco’s Market Street. Spectators waved and cheered the

first woman to drive across the United States.

On June 9, 2009, the 100th anniversary of Ramsey’s departure, 37-year-old Emily Jane Anderson of Seattle began a cross-country trip commemorating Ramsey’s historic adventure. Anderson will spend six days in Nevada, July 1-6, while traveling west from Ely to Reno-Sparks. She will be driving a 1909 Maxwell DA that has been completely restored by her father, Richard Anderson.

Anderson will follow Ramsey’s lead and drive the entire route herself, while being accompanied by three female passengers. Anderson’s co-pilot, navigator, and friend, Christie Catania, will travel with her for the entire journey—the other two seats will rotate to women from across the country. One of the seats will be in constant rotation, reserved for various women of note, including politicians, celebrities, and businesswomen. The final seat will rotate and be donation-based. Anderson began her trek from the same location as Ramsey, 1930 Broadway in New York, once the sales office of the Maxwell-Briscoe Company.

Though Anderson will have the advantage of better roads, tires, accommodations, and maps, she still has concerns: “Big-city driving and anything unpredictable such as flooding like they experienced last year in the Midwest,” she says. “But the conditions of the roads are a million times better now, and the navigation is not nearly as hard.”

WORTH A VISIT

On the Road with Alice Ramsey: 100 Years Ago

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WORTH A READ

Veil, Duster, and Tire Iron

By Alice Huyler Ramsey,
Castle Press, 1961

Alice’s Drive

By Gregory Franzwa
(order at aliceramsey.org)

Alice Ramsey’s Grand Adventure

Written and illustrated
by Don Brown,
Houghton Mifflin Company, 1997



a family legacy

Southern Nevada's Papillon has served tourists for more than 40 years.

BY KATHIE TAYLOR

PHOTOS BY TOMAS MUSCIONICO

Papillon Grand Canyon Helicopters' story begins in 1965. Elling Halvorson, now Papillon's Chairman of the Board, owned a construction company at the time. The task at hand was to lay a water pipeline across the Grand Canyon to the South Rim. Halvorson used helicopters to lower pipe into the canyon—more than a mile deep.

Workers and guests flew in daily to view the project. With such stunning scenery, requests poured in for chartered helicopter flights, and a family legacy was born. Over the next four decades, Papillon acquired a number of tour companies, including Grand Canyon Airlines/Scenic Airlines—the oldest air tour company in the country (1929); Kenai Helicopters; and Grand Canyon Coaches.

Twelve years ago, the Halvorson family moved the majority of the company to Las Vegas' McCarran International Airport to better serve their customers. "Many of our customers come from Las Vegas. We've been successful and are very proud to be here," Halvorson says.

Halvorson says Papillon is the largest air tour operator in the state. In addition to sightseeing aircraft,

the family owns utility aircraft. "We're the helicopter operator for Grand Canyon National Park," he says. "We provide helicopters for the National Park Search and Rescue and for firefighting."

Additionally, Papillon's fleet is available for charter operations such as logging, aerial photography for the film industry, and construction support for truss lifts and placing heavy equipment on rooftops. Papillon's corporate accounting office is in Kirkland, Washington. The company also operates out of small airports in Arizona, but Southern Nevada is effectively home. "Our largest operation is in Nevada," Halvorson says. "We have 15 helicopters and 16 Twin Otter aircraft in Boulder City and a smaller fleet at McCarran."

The Halvorsons opened the Boulder City Aerocenter in March because of congestion at McCarran. "We've operated our own facilities for [nearly] 45 years," he says. "It's much more convenient to operate out of a small airport. Besides, Boulder City is closer to the Grand Canyon, so we're headed in the right direction," he says with a chuckle.

The company will continue to operate a small fleet at McCarran due to the difference in clientele. "The McCarran operation is a little more high [end]," he says. "We pick up our customers in a limousine, the food

Travel in first class air-conditioned comfort in Papillon's Eurocopter EcoStar helicopters (above). Stadium seating and oversized windows complement stunning views of the Grand Canyon, Hoover Dam, Lake Mead, and the Las Vegas Strip.

CONTACT

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papillon.com
702-736-7243



Papillon Grand Canyon Helicopters Chairman of the Board Elling Halvorson with his wife, Barbara, and their daughter, Brenda, CEO.

package is upgraded, and there we have the latest models of aircraft. We make it a little more special at McCarran and a little more affordable at Boulder City.”

Papillon offers a wide variety of adventures. Tours include landing on the canyon floor at one of three areas arranged through an agreement between Papillon and the local Hualapai. Guests can also choose from guided tours on horseback, hiking, picnics, river rafting, and overnight excursions. Companies such as IBM and Allstate Insurance have taken advantage of Papillon’s special group activities. Customized tour options include exotic picnic locations, sunrise breakfast flights, and golf packages. And in the grand tradition of Las Vegas weddings, Papillon offers unique wedding packages.

Tours aren’t limited to helicopters. Papillon owns a fleet of airplanes and buses that transport tourists from Las Vegas to the canyon via Hoover Dam, Lake Mead, Boulder City, and various locations in Arizona.

In a state where tourism is king, the Halvorson family plays an integral part. Halvorson’s daughter, Brenda, oversees the company’s operations from her Las Vegas office. Halvorson’s son, Lon, arranged financing for the new Boulder City terminal, and his son Kent’s construction company, E. Kent Halvorson, Inc., served as general contractor. Elling designed and oversaw construction of the facility. “This is a family business,” he says. “We take everything to the highest level we can. Everything we do we try to do first class.”

BY JON FORTENBURY

SOAR BACK IN TIME, THEN GET YOUR GAMING ON

Circus Circus Reno gives fans the opportunity to relive the Eagles experience on July 17 as it hosts a one-night-only concert by tribute band Life in the Fast Lane. For this event, the Mandalay Ballroom at Circus Circus Reno transforms into the Tequila Sunrise Ballroom at the Hotel California as this talented six-piece performs the Eagles’ greatest hits.

Circus Circus is also putting on the “Life in the Fast Lane” slot tournament on July 18, with prizes totaling up to \$3,000.

CONTACT

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The tournament will be held from noon to 6 p.m. in the daily slot tournament area on the main casino floor and features an “open play” format of five-minute rounds. Participants don’t have to be a One Club member to play but will need to enroll in the free program to redeem prizes.

Tickets to the concert and tournament are \$10 each and are available at the Main Cashier’s Cage.

CHARITY POKER TOURNAMENT

The Golden Nugget Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas hosts the inaugural Suzie and Howard Lederer Celebrity Charity Poker Tournament on July 1, benefiting the Boys and Girls Club. In this tournament that’s open to the public, the winner receives a \$20,000 seat (donated by FullTiltPoker.net) on the NBC show “Poker After Dark.” Additional prizes will be donated by the Golden Nugget and other sponsors.

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MULTIPLAY COMES TO RENO

Silver Legacy has added MultiPLAY video slots to its gaming repertoire, becoming the first resort-casino in Reno to do so. The Silver Legacy will carry the Cleopatra and Wolf Run MultiPLAY machines. Players can try their luck on up to four video slot games on the same machine. silverlegacyreno.com, 800-687-8733

WORLD SERIES OF POKER

The Rio All-Suite in Las Vegas hosts the 40th annual World Series of Poker from Wednesday, May 27 to Wednesday, July 15. The final table occurs November 7-10. Video coverage of the event can be viewed online and on ESPN. worldseriesofpoker.com



RESCUING THE RANGE

The recent halt of urbanization is buying time in the struggle to maintain Nevada's ranching heritage.

The sun rises above Fred Stodieck's expansive ranch in Carson Valley. Right: Workers at TS Ranch, a 400,000-acre cattle ranch in northeastern Nevada, prepare inoculations. It's a method used to boost animals' immunity to disease.



Sitting in a west Reno coffeehouse, Devere Dressler pauses in mid-conversation. The fifth-generation cowboy is talking ranching—the changes and challenges—when he turns toward the window. Pointing across four lanes of asphalt, he locates the old Caughlin Ranch house. The homestead, once the center of an expansive cattle operation, is now corralled by suburban development. The 19th-century dwelling is a small island of the past besieged by the progress of the future.

That juxtaposition of old and new is a tableau Dressler knows intimately. The Dressler Ranch at one time covered several thousand acres from Gardnerville south along the eastern flank of the Sierra Nevada. As a fifth-generation heir, he has seen his family's holdings dwindle to a couple hundred acres. The majority of the Dressler land now furnishes housing developments or has been sold off.

PHOTOS: CHARLIE JOHNSTON (TOP), CAROL PETRIE (LEFT)



BY DAVID BUNKER

The origins of the slow splintering of the Dressler Ranch are a microcosm of the changing nature of ranching in Nevada. It's a tale with its share of heartbreak and nostalgia. But it's also a story people like Dressler are working hard to punctuate with a happy ending. For ranchers across the state, that happy ending depends on finding the means to maintain a way of life that is as Nevada as sagebrush.

Dressler is a player in this drama. While his inheritance has been fractured, sold, and consumed by homes or other owners, Dressler and others are still working to protect the land that embodies the heritage and heart of a state that has changed significantly in recent years.

TWO NEVADAS

In Carson Valley, a cluster of Black Angus cows snort behind a barbed-wire fence near Genoa. With each cow bellow, a

small cloud blossoms in the cold spring air. The brown carpet of Carson Valley spreads out behind them to the western edge of the valley, where the teeth of the Carson Range jut skyward. Cows are scattered like spots on dice across the valley floor. This is old Nevada.

Across U.S. Highway 395, two golfers carefully line up a putt on a course that snakes around newly constructed homes—all enclosed by wrought-iron fences and gates. Alongside the golf course, an oval pond ringed by pavers sprouts a fountain. Flags and real estate signs herald the Saratoga Springs development. The homes and golf course sit in the middle of an open expanse of sage, a rectangle of new residences enveloped by the open vistas of Carson Valley. This is new Nevada.

The state's contrasts are stark and almost incompatible. Cows roam near months-old stucco homes. Towering casinos shimmer just miles away from the rumble and crush of a hard



rock mine. But this is modern Nevada's identity—a delicate balance of heritage and progress.

Trace the history of Nevada, and you'll see that there is one commodity that is prized more than the minerals that spurred the settlement of the state in the mid-1800s. "Water is essential in the desert," says Guy Rocha, former Nevada archivist and historian. "Water can be more valuable than gold."

Water's worth is tied to its scarcity. It graces Nevada only in spots, and each precious oasis has spawned a population. Where water was present, agriculture and mining often followed. Therein lies the irony of Nevada—one of the nation's least-densely populated but fastest-growing states. The people, cattle, housing, strip malls, casinos, and mines are being squeezed into the slivers of green across Nevada's vast brown aridity. And that is where the state's two disparate identities often compete for precious space. "In Carson Valley, you still have a lot of multigenerational ranching," Rocha says. "In western Nevada they are the last frontier."

The use of the word "frontier" also is ironic. Nevada was once part of the frontier of the great westward push spurred by the discovery of gold and silver. Now, like a rebounding



Ranchers engage in a branding ritual at an old ranch ruin in the Monitor Valley last summer. Cowboys single out calves and separate them from their mothers. The man in the foreground blocks the herd from escaping the pen. Left: Monte Price is the manager of 25 Ranch, north of Battle Mountain. Price has been a ranch manager for nearly 20 years.

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wave headed back eastward, the reverse migration is creating a new frontier where housing and development are pushing out from urbanized California into rural Nevada.

Many Nevadans who have seen the push and pull of the state's halves know an equilibrium is needed. But the delicate balance is thrown off by a set of unstable factors. Ranches change hands from generation to generation, the prices of minerals and metals fluctuate, and the state's hunger for new housing has gone from boom to bust in a matter of months.

ETERNAL OPEN SPACE

River Fork Ranch sits at the historical epicenter of modern Nevada. Just down the road, the Genoa Bar's faded wood sign reads "Nevada's Oldest Thirst Parlor." The neighboring ranch is "Ranch One," purportedly the first land claim in the state. The ranch is a wetland-rich pasture split by two forks of the Carson River.

Despite the uncertainty that surrounds Carson Valley's future, one thing is assured: River Fork Ranch will never be developed. Duane Petite, the Carson River project manager with The Nature Conservancy, points down the languid winter waters of the Carson River across the ranch to the snow-cloaked peaks of the Carson Iceberg Wilderness in the distance. "We're looking at the headwaters of the east and west forks of the Carson River here," he says.

A gentle westward tilting of Carson Valley's floor has blessed the ranch with a rare wealth—a jackpot of streams and sloughs abnormal for Nevada. The water makes the property coveted by Nevada newcomers who have moved to the area for the open expanses and mountain views. But The Nature Conservancy assures that the current residents of the River Fork Ranch—red-tailed hawks, northern leopard frogs, western pond turtles, and cranes—are not displaced. "The Nature Conservancy considers inappropriate real-estate development in the floodplain the number-one threat to the health of the river and riparian, wetland, and wet-meadow habitat," Petite says.

The Nature Conservancy purchased the River Fork Ranch in 2000, and the Bureau of Land Management holds an easement on the property that ensures it will remain open space. But the purchase doesn't mean the ranch has become just a nature preserve. It is still a working cattle ranch, grazed by Carson Valley's Bently Agrowdynamics. "Our goal is to show that progressive agriculture techniques and preservation can go together," Petite says. The ranch is, and will always be, a nature-ranching preserve—805 acres of Carson Valley virtually guaranteed to remain unchanged.

FARMING IN A FISHBOWL

Fred Stodieck's great-grandfather bought the piece of land Stodieck calls home for \$2,800 in gold coins. The deed on the



Bently Agrowdynamics owns livestock on River Fork Ranch, which supports cattle but is also part of a nature conservancy project.

PHOTO: RYAN SALLM



Nevada Ranching By the Numbers

- 🌾 Decrease in head of cattle from 2007 to 2008: **50,000**
- 🌾 Number of ranches that either disappeared or quit producing from 2002 to 2008: **100**
- 🌾 Number of ranches that produce less than \$1,000 in agriculture: **758**
- 🌾 Number of ranches that produce less than \$2,500 in agriculture: **350**
- 🌾 Average age of rancher or farmer: **56**

Source: National Agriculture Statistics Service (nass.usda.gov)

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Ranching Perspective

Guy Rocha, Nevada historian

"Agriculture as a way of life is losing the battle to urbanization. By the end of the 21st century, if we continue to grow the way we have, I don't expect there to be much agriculture left in Carson Valley."

Duane Petite, The Nature Conservancy

"Our goal is to show that progressive agriculture techniques and preservation can go together."

Fred Stodieck, Carson Valley rancher

"It's like trying to farm in a fishbowl. Everyone in the country is watching you. We can't survive at the rate we are going forever."

Ron Torell, Nevada Cattlemen's Association

"It takes a larger operation to make a living than it once did. So some of these family ranches have had to expand or go out of business."

Thomas Cargill, UNR economics professor

"The reason ranching has been stable is it is a long-term industry. It is stable because people need to eat. I think that as a percentage of the state's economy, it could increase because other industries will decline."

property bears the signature of Abraham Lincoln. His house dates to 1899, and a log cabin on the property dates to the 1860s. But 140 years later, the ranch and farm is not the money maker it once was. "We're all hobby farmers here in Carson Valley; all but two or three," Stodieck says. "But my roots are here, so I would probably be the last one to sell this land."

As he looks over to the cars humming by on State Route 88 across from his pasture, uncertainty enters his voice. "Who knows what will happen? It's getting to where it's almost too much for me," he says. "I've contemplated selling off the cows and just renting the pasture."

Ranching and farming have become more and more of a curiosity in Carson Valley, he says. The new homes and residents have changed the valley's character. "It's like trying to farm in a fishbowl," he says. "Everyone in the country is watching you." After a car accident left him with lingering health effects, early mornings in the pasture and heavy lifting around the ranch are taking a toll. While selling off his land is still something he's not strongly considering, Stodieck says something has to give. "We can't survive at the rate we are going forever," he says.

Stodieck's farm runs all the way to the banks of the Carson River outside Minden. The nearby water is a boon to the farm for irrigation, but it also has its drawbacks. With more and more

building, Carson Valley has lost undeveloped land that acts as flood protection. Now ranchers with floodplain land, like Stodieck, are expected to keep the land as is in order to benefit the community, he says. The floodplain designation strips the land of much of its monetary value because no one can build on the land, and also lessens the value the rancher could obtain from a conservation easement on the property.

The dilemmas Stodieck faces have become common in Carson Valley. Aging ranchers of multigenerational families are finding it harder to make a living off the land and often finding there is no one to pass the ranch to. "There's probably 100 bona fide farmers left in Carson Valley," he says.

And it's not just an issue in Carson Valley, where equity-rich Californians resettled during the housing boom and set off a series of land-use changes. The changes are being felt in the rural corners of the state as well. Ron Torell, who raises bull outside of Elko and is the second vice president of the Nevada Cattlemen's Association, says the changes are reaching northeast Nevada. "Some of these ranches sold for way more than the price of cattle can support," says Torell, who is also a livestock specialist with the University of Nevada, Reno Cooperative Extension. "The people that buy them are tickled to death."

Today, it's not so much the pressures of the real-estate mar-

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—FRED STODIECK
CARSON VALLEY RANCHER



While ATVs have replaced horses on Fred Stodieck's ranch, other tools, such as pitchforks for feeding, have changed little.



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A worker moves hay at TS Ranch, owned by Elko Land and Livestock Company, a subsidiary of Newmont Mining Corporation.

ket that are fueling the changes, Torell says. Many ranches are disappearing because of the bad economy. “It takes a larger operation to make a living than it once did,” Torell says. “So some of these family ranches have had to expand or go out of business.”

Rocha, who has studied the progression throughout the state’s history, sees a precarious future for agriculture in western Nevada. “Agriculture as a way of life is losing the battle to urbanization,” he says. “By the end of the 21st century, if we continue to grow the way we have, I don’t expect there to be much agriculture left in Carson Valley.”

LIVING OFF THE LAND

Some don’t see such a bleak future for ranching in the Silver State. Nevada held the title of the fastest-growing state for 19 years in a row, then lost it in 2006 to Arizona before regaining it in 2007. Since then, the state’s growth rate has dropped sharply. In 2008, the Census Bureau ranked it as the eighth fastest-growing state in the nation.

The downshift in growth has taken a bite out of the state’s economy, says Thomas Cargill, an economics professor at UNR. But agriculture, as it has throughout a Nevada history packed with booms and busts, has, by comparison, stayed strong. “The reason ranching has been stable is it is a long-term industry. It is stable because people need to eat,” Cargill says. “I think that as a percentage of the state’s economy, it could increase because other industries will decline.”

OPERATION AGRICULTURE

Nevada residents are not blind to the loss of heritage and landscapes that the slow deterioration of agriculture is bringing to the state. A ballot measure titled Question 1, approved by voters in 2002, is funding conservation easements across the state. The money has preserved the Greil Ranch, an alfalfa

farm in Washoe Valley, the Rambling River Ranch near Fallon, and many others.

Jon Paul Kiel, a grants and projects analyst with the Question 1 program, says some of the easements keep open important deer migration corridors, others protect riverfront land, and all preserve the state’s rural character. When you drive into Fallon and gaze at the Rambling River Ranch, “You’re looking at 600 acres of agriculture fields and cottonwood galleries instead of 600 condos,” Kiel says.

For some ranchers the easements are life savers, infusing more cash into a ranch teetering on the edge of viability. Dressler travels the country preaching the importance of land preservation. He has difficulty telling his story in a casual setting. But out on a ranch, when speaking to a fellow landowner who is facing the same economic realities and generational changes he is, Dressler’s tale unfolds naturally.

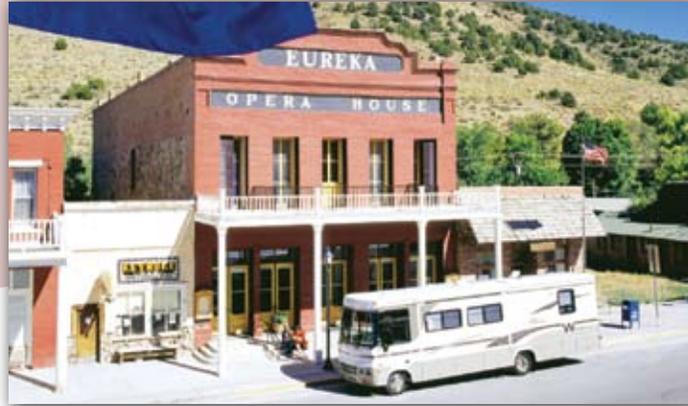
Dressler knows his ranch will likely never be passed down to his son Garrett, 14. Inheritance taxes and family disagreements have killed that dream. “That broke my heart, that the generational secession came to an end,” Dressler says. His son still carries on the ranching tradition in spirit, wearing a cowboy hat and insisting he wants to be the sixth-generation Dressler rancher. “They call him ‘cowboy’ at school,” Dressler says. Whether Garrett takes up the cattle business or not, the efforts of his father and others mean there will be forever-protected pasture and roaming cows in Carson Valley when he grows up.

It’s not a victory over housing development that Dressler and others want to see. It’s a balance that preserves a portion of the past. But there is still work to be done. “The lowered pace of development is buying us some time,” Petite says. And then tracing his finger across a map of Carson Valley, sweeping over River Fork Ranch and out across multigenerational ranches settled during the Gold Rush, he adds, “This is a huge piece of an important jigsaw puzzle we are trying to put together.”

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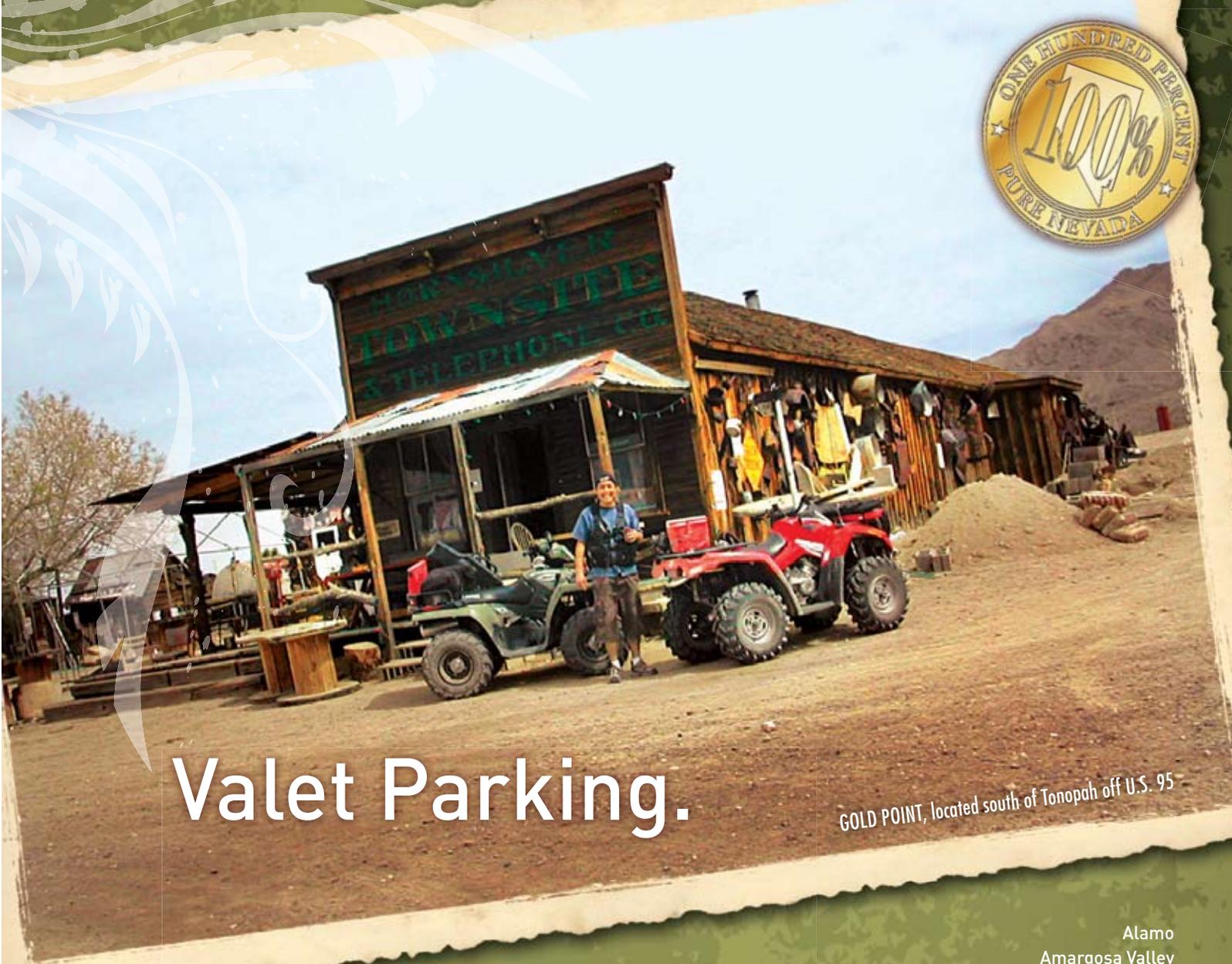
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The Cartwrights walk on a Hollywood set (meant to be Virginia City) in 1959. Page 63, clockwise from top: Dan Blocker & Michael Landon; Lorne Greene signs autographs in Reno; actor Victor Sen Yung; Landon & fans in Reno; the Cartwrights in 1961.

BY CHIC DIFRANCIA
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“Bonanza” premiered on NBC September 12, 1959, and by the time the trail dust settled some 14 years and 430 episodes later, the Cartwrights of the Ponderosa rode into history and into the hearts of a half billion people worldwide. Gone, but far from forgotten, the show continues to gain followers through worldwide syndication and has spawned countless fan clubs from its throngs of loyal rerun watchers.

To celebrate half a century of “Bonanza,” hundreds of Ponderosa faithful will converge at Stateline (South Lake Tahoe), September 10-14, for the 50th-Anniversary Bonanza Friendship Convention. Event-goers range from admirers who watched the show from its conception to more recent enthusiasts. “I discovered ‘Bonanza’ [a short time ago] and enjoyed the way the Cartwrights pulled together,” “Bonanza” buff Ellen Rich says. “I started watching the show [on cable] and taping it to watch in the evenings and on weekends. I’m hooked!”



Dan Blocker

December 10, 1928 – May 13, 1972



Sadly, Blocker died before the final episode in 1973. Blocker, who played the lovable character “Hoss,” died from complications following gall bladder surgery.

Lorne Greene

February 12, 1915 – September 11, 1987



Greene went on to star in TV’s “Griff,” “Battlestar Galactica,” and “Code Red.” He was set to revive his role as Ben Cartwright in “Bonanza: The Next Generation,” but production was halted after his death from pneumonia.

Michael Landon

October 31, 1936 – July 1, 1991



Landon created two successful TV series, “Little House on the Prairie” and “Highway to Heaven.” He succumbed to pancreatic cancer during the production of a third series, “Us.” His widow and two of his children are expected at this year’s convention.

Pernell Roberts

Born May 18, 1928



After leaving the show in 1965, Roberts starred in CBS’s “Trapper John, M.D.” and ABC’s “FBI: The Untold Stories.” Roberts is the sole survivor of the original “Bonanza” cast.

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The Pearl Concert Theater at The Palms
livenation.com
800-745-3000

(3-4)
Jeff Dunham
Caesars Palace
caesarspalace.com
800-745-3000



(3-5)
American Pie 4th of July
"Summer of '69" celebration
Fremont Street Experience
vegasexperience.com
887-834-2748

(3-5)
Bill Maher
The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

(3-5)
Marilyn McCoo & Billy Davis Jr.
Suncoast
suncoastcasino.com
877-677-7111



4 SATURDAY

Arrival
Music of ABBA Tour
Cannery Casino
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Rockets Over The River
Laughlin
visitlaughlin.com

Shwayze
The Canyon Club
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

We the People Celebration
Vendors, kids' games, food, & beer garden
Pahrump
Pahrump Nugget parking lot
pahrumphchamber.com
866-722-5800

4th of July Damboree
Breakfast, parade, & entertainment
Boulder City
Broadbent Park
boulder-city-chamber.com
702-293-9256

4th of July Celebration
Includes fireworks
Henderson
Henderson Events Plaza

hendersonlive.com
877-775-5252
4th of July Barbecue & Fireworks
Softball tournament & live band
Tonopah
Tonopah Sports Complex
tonopahnevada.com
775-482-6336

(4-5)
Ground Shakers Desert Series
Motorcycle racing
Caliente
mranracing.org
702-236-6482

5 SUNDAY

Goodfellas
Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

(5-7)
\$100,000 3-Card Poker Tournament
Las Vegas Hilton
lvhilton.com
800-732-7117

6

Drums Along the Strip
Featuring the Blue Devils Drum & Bugle Corps
Sam Boyd Stadium
drumsalongthestrip.com
702-739-3267

7

(7-12)

Tribute to The King

Starring Don Rose

Laughlin

Riverside

riversideresort.com

800-227-3849 x.616

8

(8-13)

Carmen Electra in "Crazy Horse Paris"

MGM Grand

mgmgrand.com

702-891-7777

9

(9-11)

Jungle Book

Children's Theatre

Mesquite

Mesquite Community

Theatre

mesquitenv.com

702-346-5966

(9, 12)

International Folk Festival

Fremont Street

Experience

vegasexperience.com

887-834-2748

(9-15)

Howie Mandel

MGM Grand

mgmgrand.com

877-880-0880

10

Blazed & Confused Tour Featuring Slightly Stoopid & Snoop Dogg

Primm

Star of the

Desert Arena

primmvalleyresorts.

com

800-FUN-STOP

Duran Duran

The Pearl Concert

Theater at The Palms

livenation.com

800-745-3000

Formula Drift & Bracket Test 'n' Tune

The Strip at Las Vegas

Motor Speedway

lvms.com

800-644-4444

Goodfellas

Cannery Casino

cannerycasinos.com

702-507-5757

Limp Bizkit

Mandalay Bay

mandalaybay.com

877-632-7400

Pat Benatar

Mandalay Bay's

House of Blues

mandalaybay.com

877-632-7800

The Roots

Hard Rock Hotel

hardrockhotel.com

702-693-5000

The Tubes

The Canyon Club

canyonclub.net

818-879-5016

(10-11)

Jack Jones

South Point Casino

southpointcasino.com

866-796-7111

(10-11)

S.R.O.

Eastside Cannery

eastsidecannery.com

702-856-5300

(10-12)

Kenny G.

The Orleans

orleanscasino.com

800-675-3267

11

SATURDAY

Craig Shoemaker

The Canyon Club

canyonclub.net

818-879-5016

Formula Drift & Wick- ed HP Championship E.T. Bracket Series

The Strip at Las Vegas

Motor Speedway

lvms.com

800-644-4444

Incubus

The Joint at

Hard Rock Hotel

hardrockhotel.com

702-693-5000

Lift Your Spirits— A Celebration of Libations

Henderson

The District at Green

Valley Ranch

thedistrictatgrv.com

702-564-8595

Little Anthony & The Imperials

Cannery Casino

cannerycasinos.com

702-507-5757

New Kids on the Block

The Pearl Concert

Theater at The Palms

livenation.com

800-745-3000

UFC 100

Featuring Brock Lesnar

vs. Frank Mir

Mandalay Bay

mandalaybay.com

800-745-3000

Village People, Gloria Gaynor, Tavares, & The Trampmps

The Orleans

orleanscasino.com

800-675-3267

(11-12)

Midnite Madness One Pitch Softball Tournament

Henderson

Arroyo Grande

Sports Complex

cityofhenderson.com

702-267-5717

(11, 13, 15, 19,
21, 25, 27, 29)

Laughlin Out Loud

Laughlin

Harrah's Laughlin

harrahslaughlin.com

702-298-8510

★ ONGOING

The Amazing Johnathan

Planet Hollywood

Dark Sun. & Mon.

harmontheater.com

877-333-9474

"America's Tribute to Neil Diamond"

Riviera

Dark Fri. & Sat.

rivierahotel.com

800-634-6753

"American Storm"

Male revue

V Theater at

Planet Hollywood

Fri. & Sat.

varietytheater.com

702-932-1818

Anthony Cools

Paris Las Vegas

Dark Mon. & Wed.

parislasvegas.com

877-374-7469

Art Walk

Henderson

Water Street District

Third Thurs.

waterstreetdistrict.com

702-267-2171

"Barbra and Frank: The Concert That Never Was"

Riviera

Dark Mon.

rivierahotel.com

877-892-7469

"Bette Midler: The Showgirl Must Go On"

The Colosseum at

Caesars Palace

Dark thru Aug. 10

caesarspalace.com

877-723-8836

Blue Man Group

The Venetian

Nightly

venetian.com

866-641-SHOW

Bobby Slayton: The PitBull of Comedy

Tropicana

Dark Mon.

tropicana.lv.com

702-739-2411

Carrot Top

Luxor

Nightly

luxor.com

800-557-7428

Cher

The Colosseum at

Caesars Palace

Dark May 25-Sept. 18

caesarspalace.com

866-510-2437

"Chippendales"

Male revue

Rio All-Suite

Nightly

riolasvegas.com

702-777-7776

Circus Acts

Circus Circus

Daily

circuscircus.com

Concert Series

Henderson

The District at

Green Valley Ranch

Fri. & Sat.

thedistrictatgrv.com

702-564-8595

"Crazy Horse Paris"

Topless revue

MGM Grand

Dark Tues.

mgmgrand.com

800-929-1111

"CRISS ANGEL Believe" by Cirque du Soleil

Luxor

Dark Sun. & Mon.

luxor.com

800-288-1000

"Defending the Caveman"

Excalibur

Nightly

excalibur.com

702-597-7600

Donn Arden's "Jubilee!"

Bally's Las Vegas

Dark Fri.

ballyslasvegas.com

800-237-SHOW

Donny & Marie Osmond

Flamingo Las Vegas

Dark Sun. & Mon.

flamingolasvegas.com

702-733-3333

★ ONGOING *continued*

Drzhivegas

Red Rock Resort
Fri. & Sat.
redrocklasvegas.com
866-767-7773

"Fab Four Live"

Beatles Tribute
V Theater at
Planet Hollywood
Dark Thurs.
varietytheater.com
702-932-1818

The Fab—Tribute to the Beatles

Eastside Cannery
Thurs.
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

First Friday Art Celebration

Downtown Arts District
First Fri.
firstfriday-lasvegas.org
702-384-0092

"Fitz of Laughter"

Starring Kevin Burke
Fitzgeralds
Nightly
fitzgeraldslasvegas.com
702-752-7000

Free Jazz Fridays

Red Rock Resort
Thru Aug. 28
redrocklasvegas.com
702-797-7777

Free Movies Under The Stars

Henderson
The District at Green
Valley Ranch
Fri. & Sat.
thedistrictatgvr.com
702-564-8595

Gary Reese—Gallery Exhibit

Landscapes & other
inspirations
Henderson
Henderson
Multigenerational
Center
July 6-31
877-775-5252
hendersonlive.com

George Wallace

Flamingo Las Vegas
Dark Sun. & Mon.
flamingolasvegas.com
800-221-7299

Giordano Theatres

Independent films
Las Vegas Hilton
Sat. & Sun.
lvhilton.com
800-732-7117

Goldie Brown

Golden Nugget
Dark Sun. & Mon.
goldennugget.com
866-946-5336

Grossology: The (Impolite) Science of the Human Body

Lied Discovery
Children's Museum
Daily, thru Sept. 7
ldcm.org
702-382-3445

Haunted Vegas Tours

Sun. & various
other days
hauntedvegastours.com
866-218-4935

"Hypnosis Unleashed"

Tropicana
Nightly
tropicana.lv.com
702-946-5872

"ICE—Direct From Russia"

Riviera
Dark Fri.
rivierahotel.com
702-794-9433

"Ignite"

Greek Isles
Dark Sun. & Mon.
greekislesvegas.com
702-877-FIRE

"Jersey Boys"

The Venetian
Dark Wed.
venetian.com
866-641-SHOW

Jon Lovitz presents Comedy at The Canyon

The Canyon Club
Tues.
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

"KÀ" by Cirque du Soleil

MGM Grand
Dark Sun. & Mon.
mgmgrand.com
866-774-7117

12
SUNDAY

Neiman Marcus Shopping Spree

Las Vegas Hilton
lvhilton.com
800-732-7117

Sixtiesmania

Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

Sterling Night of Fights

Boxing
The Pearl Concert
Theater at The Palms
livenation.com
800-745-3000

13

Rise Against w/ Rancid

The Joint at Hard
Rock Hotel
hardrockhotel.com
702-693-5000

(13-18) Summer Bonanza

South Point
southpointcasino.com
866-796-7111

(13-24) Red Flag

Air Exercises
Rachel
rachel-nevada.com

14

(14-16) Woodstock TributePalooza

"Summer of '69"
celebration
Fremont Street
Experience
vegasexperience.com
887-834-2748

(14-19) Revolver

A Tribute to The Beatles
Laughlin
Riverside
riversideresort.com
800-227-3849 x.616

16

\$30,000 American Pride Slot Tournament

Las Vegas Hilton
lvhilton.com
800-732-7117

(16-26)

One Giant Leap: 40th Anniversary of Moon Landing

"Summer of '69"
celebration
Fremont Street
Experience
vegasexperience.com
887-834-2748

(16-29)

David Copperfield

MGM Grand
mgmgrand.com
877-880-0880

17

The Fray

The Pearl Concert
Theater at The Palms
livenation.com
800-745-3000

Il Divo

Mandalay Bay
mandalaybay.com
702-745-3000

Lonestar

Primm
Star of the Desert Arena
primmvalleyresorts.com
800-FUN-STOP

Ottmar Liebert

Boulder Station
boulderstation.com
866-264-1818

Wild Child

The Canyon Club
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

(17-18, 31)

Jay Leno

The Mirage
mirage.com
800-963-9634

(17-18)

Strange Brew

Eastside Cannery

eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

(17-19)

The Scintas

Suncoast
suncoastcasino.com
877-677-7111

(17-19)

Stayin' Alive Bee Gees Tribute

South Point Casino
southpointcasino.com
866-796-7111

(17-18)

Tears For Fears

Henderson
Green Valley
Ranch Resort
hendersonlive.com
702-617-7777

18

SATURDAY

Demi Lovato w/ David Archuleta

The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

Jewel

Aliante Station
aliantecasino.com
877-477-7627

Keith Urban

Mandalay Bay
mandalaybay.com
877-632-7400

Mayweather vs. Marquez

Boxing
MGM Grand
mgmgrand.com
800-745-3000

Vino di Lago

Wine tasting
Henderson
hendersonlive.com
702-564-4766

19

SUNDAY

Déjà Vu

Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300



Kick off your boots and stay awhile.



Much in contrast to its colorful past, Pioche today attracts new residents with its friendly, hometown appeal. It's a great place to stay while exploring the surrounding country that includes picturesque locations like Spring Valley State Park, Eagle Valley Reservoir and Echo Canyon. Sportsmen, photographers, and adventurers will enjoy these fantastic areas. For more information about getting comfortable in the town of Pioche, go to LincolnCountyNevada.com.

LincolnCounty
Nevada.com

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PIOCHE

Pioche is the Lincoln County seat and the courthouse is a prominent fixture of the town. Once a rough and tough mining town, it has been reported that seventy-five men were buried in the cemetery before anyone in Pioche had time to die a natural death. This Labor Day weekend the town will host parades, dinners in the park, mining events, a horseshoe tournament and spectacular fireworks over the entire weekend.

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July 1-3, 16-23
Aug. 1-3, 14-21, 26-31
lv51.com
702-798-7825

"Le Rêve"

Wynn Las Vegas
Dark Tues. & Wed.
wynnlasvegas.com
888-320-7110

"Legends in Concert"

Harrah's Las Vegas
Dark Thurs.
harrahslasvegas.com
800-351-7400

"The Lion King"

Mandalay Bay
Dark Fri.
mandalaybay.com
877-632-7800

"LOVE," by Cirque du Soleil

The Mirage
Dark Tues. & Wed.
mirage.com
800-963-9634

"Louie Anderson: Larger Than Life"

Excalibur
Dark Fri. & Sat.
excalibur.com
702-597-7600

"Marriage Can Be Murder"

Four Queens
Dark Sun.
marriagecanbemurder.com
800-634-6045

"Men of X"

Male revue
Hooters
Nightly
hooterslv.com
866-584-6687

"Menopause The Musical"

Luxor
Nightly
luxor.com
800-557-7428

"Mystère," by Cirque du Soleil

Treasure Island
Dark Thurs. & Fri.
treasureisland.com
800-392-1999

Nathan Burton

Flamingo Las Vegas
Dark Mon. & Thurs.
flamingolasvegas.com
702-733-3333

"O" by Cirque du Soleil

Bellagio
Dark Mon. & Tues.
& Aug. 5-9
bellagio.com
888-488-7111

"PEEPSHOW"

Planet Hollywood
Dark Wed.
planethollywoodresort.com
877-333-947

Penn & Teller

Rio All-Suite
Dark Thurs. & Fri.
riolasvegas.com
702-777-7776

"Phantom: The Las Vegas Spectacular"

The Venetian
Dark Sun.
venetian.com
866-641-SHOW

The Platters, Cornell Gunter's Coasters, & The Marvelettes

Sahara
Nightly
saharavegas.com
888-696-2121

"The Rat Pack is Back"

Plaza Hotel
Nightly
plazahotelcasino.com
800-634-6575

Rita Rudner

Harrah's Las Vegas
Various Days
harrahslasvegas.com
702-369-5222

"Shear Madness"

Town Square Las Vegas
Dark Mon.
shearmadnesslv.com
702-949-6123

(19-22)

Coaches' Cup

Mesquite
CasaBlanca
visitmesquite.com
800-459-7529

(19-24)

On the Edge Camp

Geared to ages 13-15
Camp Lee Canyon
accessclarkcounty.com
702-455-1905

▶ 21

(21-26)

The Australian Bee Gees

A Tribute to The Bee Gees
Laughlin
Riverside Resort
riversideresort.com
800-227-3849 x.616

▶ 22

(22-25)

Jr. Golden Gloves Nationals

Mesquite
CasaBlanca
visitmesquite.com
800-459-7529

▶ 23

The Smithereens

The Canyon Club
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

▶ 24

Lights/Pyromania

The Canyon Club
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

Randy Anderson

Cannery Casino
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Slaughter

Henderson
Sunset Station
sunsetstation.com
866-264-1818

Sugarland

Primm
Star of the Desert Arena
primmvalleyresorts.com
800-FUN-STOP

Unwritten Law

Hard Rock Hotel
hardrockhotel.com
702-693-5000

The Wiggles

Cox Pavilion
unlvtickets.com
702-739-3267

(24-25)

Drew Hastings

South Point Casino
southpointcasino.com
866-796-7111

(24-25)

Lou Ragland's World Famous Ink Spots & Cat Daddy

Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

(24-25)

\$75,000 United States Slot Tournament

Las Vegas Hilton
lvhilton.com
800-732-7117

(24-26)

Dana Carvey

The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

▶ 25

SATURDAY

Aerosmith

MGM Grand
mgmgrand.com
800-745-3000

AMA GEICO EnduroCross

The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

Earth, Wind, & Fire w/ Chicago

The Joint at Hard Rock Hotel
hardrockhotel.com
702-693-5000

George Thorogood & The Destroyers & Jonny Lang

Primm
Star of the Desert Arena
primmvalleyresorts.com
800-FUN-STOP

Mel Tillis & Pam Tillis

Cannery Casino
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Missing Persons

The Canyon Club
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

Panaca Pioneer Day Celebration

Panaca
lincolncountynevada.com

▶ 26

SUNDAY

The NiteKings

Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

(26-31)

Omni Camp

Geared to ages 8-12
Camp Lee Canyon
accessclarkcounty.com
702-455-1905

▶ 28

Lebowski Fest—Movie Party

Mandalay Bay's House of Blues
mandalaybay.com
877-632-7800

(28-31)

Desperado

A Tribute to The Eagles
Laughlin
Riverside Resort
riversideresort.com
800-227-3849 x.616

29

Cross Canadian Ragweed

Mandalay Bay's House of Blues
mandalaybay.com
877-632-7800

Huey Lewis & The News

Primm
Star of the Desert Arena
primmvalleyresorts.com
800-FUN-STOP

30

Jimmie Van Zant

The Canyon Club
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

(30-31)

Beyoncé

Encore Las Vegas
encorelasvegas.com
702-770-DIVA

(30-31)

Rodney Carington

MGM Grand
mgmgrand.com
877-880-0880

31

The Fab

"Abbey Road" in its entirety
Cannery Casino
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Imelda Papin & Melissa Manchester

The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

Jerry Seinfeld

Caesars Palace
caesarspalace.com
800-745-3000

Midnight Mayhem

The Strip at Las Vegas
Motor Speedway
lvms.com
800-644-4444

Swing City Dolls

Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

Which One's Pink

The Canyon Club
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

AUGUST

1 SATURDAY

Crüe Fest 2

Starring Mötley Crüe
The Joint at Hard Rock Hotel
hardrockhotel.com
702-693-5000

Fab Four

The Canyon Club
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

Grand Funk Railroad

Aliante Station
aliantecasino.com
877-477-7627

Jerry Seinfeld

Caesars Palace
caesarspalace.com
800-745-3000

Jonas Brothers

Mandalay Bay
mandalaybay.com
877-632-7400

Little River Band

Cannery Casino
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Rod Stewart

MGM Grand
mgmgrand.com
877-880-0880

Swing City Dolls

Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

(1-2)

Beyoncé

Encore Las Vegas
encorelasvegas.com
702-770-DIVA

(1-2)

Desperado

A Tribute to The Eagles

Laughlin

Riverside Resort
riversideresort.com
800-227-3849 x.616

(1-2)

Imelda Papin & Melissa Manchester

The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

(1, 7-8)

Jay Leno

The Mirage
mirage.com
800-963-9634

(1-12)

Rodney Carington

MGM Grand
mgmgrand.com
877-880-0880

2 SUNDAY

Next Movement

R&B, soul, & funk review
Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

4

National Night Out

Annual event held by police depts.
Henderson
Henderson Events Plaza
hendersonlive.com
702-267-5100

5

(5-9)

Good Vibrations

A Tribute to The Beach Boys
Laughlin
Riverside Resort
riversideresort.com
800-227-3849 x.616

(5-9)

Nevada Boomtown History Event

Tonopah
nevadaboomtown.com
775-482-8213

★ ONGOING continued

"Sin City Bad Girls"

Topless revue
Las Vegas Hilton
Dark Sun.
lvhilton.com
800-222-5361

"The Sopranos Last Supper"

Tropicana
Dark Sun. & Mon.
tropicalanalv.com
702-SEE-TONY

"Steve Wyrick: Real Magic"

Planet Hollywood
Dark Fri.
stevewyricktheatre.com
800-210-0745

Summer Concert Series

JW Marriott Las Vegas
J.C. Wooloughan's
Fri. & Sat. thru Sept.
jwlasvegasresort.com
877-869-8777

Summer of '69: Vegas or Bust

Fremont Street Experience
Thru Sept. 7
vegasexperience.com
887-834-2748

SushiSkool for Kids Henderson

Loews Culinary Institute
Sat. thru Sept. 5
hendersonlive.com
702-567-6000

Steel Panther

Aliante Station
Sat.
aliantecasino.com
877-477-7627

Terry Fator

The Mirage
Dark Sun. & Mon.
mirage.com
800-963-9634

"Thunder From Down Under"

Male revue
Excalibur
Nightly
excalibur.com
702-597-7600

Titanic: The Artifact Exhibit

Luxor
Daily
luxor.com
800-557-7428

Tonopah Speedway

Central Nevada Racing Association
Tonopah
Thru Sept.
tonopahnevada.com
775-482-6336

Train Rides

Boulder City
Nevada State Railroad Museum
Sat. & Sun.
nevadaculture.org
702-486-5933

Trent Carlini's "Elvolution"

Planet Hollywood
Dark Sat.
thedreamking.com
702-777-9974

"Ultimate Manilow: The Hits"

Las Vegas Hilton
July 30-31
Aug. 1, 6-8, 27-29
lvhilton.com
800-222-5361

Viva Vision

Fremont Street Experience
Movies shown daily
vegasexperience.com
887-834-2748

Wayne Brady: Making It Up

The Venetian
Dark Tues. & Wed.
venetian.com
866-641-SHOW

Zowie Bowie

The Palms
Fri. & Sat.
zowiebowie.com
480-580-4903

"ZUMANITY, the Sensual Side of Cirque du Soleil"

New York-New York
Dark Mon. & Thurs.
nynyhotelcasino.com
866-606-7111

6

David Sanborn
The Canyon Club
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

Underworld
The Joint at
Hard Rock Hotel
hardrockhotel.com
702-693-5000

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Robert Schimmel
The Canyon Club
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

(7-8)
Billy Joel Tribute
South Point Casino
southpointcasino.com
866-796-7111

(7-8)
Goodfellas
Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

(7-8)
Lincoln County Fair
Panaca
Lincoln County
Fairgrounds
lincolncountynv.org

(7-9)
Gladys Knight
The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

8 SATURDAY

Alan Parsons Live Project



NEVADA ONLINE

For more events and shows in the Silver State, visit nevadamagazine.com.

Cannery Casino
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Band From TV
The Canyon Club
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

Diana Krall
The Pearl Concert
Theater at The Palms
livenation.com
800-745-3000

Dog days of Summer
Local dog show
Pahrump
Honeysuckle Park
pahrumphchamber.com
866-722-5800

Gretchen Wilson
Primm
Star of the Desert Arena
primmvalleyresorts.com
800-FUN-STOP

LIT
Henderson
Green Valley Ranch
hendersonlive.com
702-617-7777

Nevada Magazine's Tour Around Nevada
Tonopah
Convention Center
nevadamagazine.com
775-687-0602

Sean Hannity's Freedom Concert Tour
The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

(8-20)
Todd Luxton: The Ultimate Elvis Tribute
Laughlin
Harrah's Laughlin
harrahslaughlin.com
702-298-8510

13

Los Lonely Boys
Laughlin
Tropicana Express
tropicanax.com
800-243-6846

14

Buddy Guy & Dr. John
Primm
Star of the Desert Arena
primmvalleyresorts.com
800-FUN-STOP

Great White
The Canyon Club
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

Jackyl
Henderson
Sunset Station
sunsetstation.com
866-264-1818

Los Lonely Boys
Hard Rock Hotel
hardrockhotel.com
702-693-5000

Midnight Mayhem
The Strip at Las Vegas
Motor Speedway
lvms.com
800-644-4444

(14-15)
Disney High School Musical Summer Celebration
Henderson
Henderson Pavilion
hendersonlive.com
877-775-5252

(14-15)
Jerry Presley
Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

(14-16)
KC & the Sunshine Band
The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

(14-16)
Las Vegas Coin, Currency, Jewelry, & Stamp Expo
Imperial Palace
bickinternational.com
866-226-0507

(14-16)
Roger Williams
South Point Casino

southpointcasino.com
866-796-7111

15 SATURDAY

America & Christopher Cross
Primm
Star of the Desert Arena
primmvalleyresorts.com
800-FUN-STOP

B.J. Thomas
Santa Fe Station
santafestationlasvegas.com
866-264-1818

Dirt Alliance Dirt Tour
The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

Hoodie Awards
Mandalay Bay
mandalaybay.com
877-632-7400

Jackson Browne
Red Rock Resort
redrocklasvegas.com
866-767-7773

Keith Danser Kids Candy Toss
SuperClean
Modified Series
The Bullring at Las Vegas Motor Speedway
lvms.com
800-644-4444

The Three Degrees, The Crystals, & The Chantels
Cannery Casino
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Vino di Lago
Wine tasting
Henderson
hendersonlive.com
702-564-4766

(15-16)
Old Timers Picnic & Dance
Tonopah
Jim Butler Park
tonopahnevada.com
775-482-6336

16 SUNDAY

The Randy Anderson Band
Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

18

(18-23)
Skynnyn Lynnyrd
A Tribute to
Lynyrd Skynyrd
Laughlin
Riverside Resort
riversideresort.com
800-227-3849 x.616

(18-23)
Vegas to Reno: The Long Way
Best in the Desert
off-road race from
Las Vegas to Reno
bitd.com
702-457-5775

19

Chris Isaak
Primm
Star of the Desert Arena
primmvalleyresorts.com
800-FUN-STOP

21

Dave Mason
Santa Fe Station
santafestationlasvegas.com
866-264-1818

Green Day
Mandalay Bay
mandalaybay.com
877-632-7400

(21-22)
1910 Fruitgum Company & Sixtiesmania
Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

(21-23)

Don Rickles

The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

22 SATURDAY

April Wine & Edgar Winter

Cannery Casino
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Boyz II Men

Mandalay Bay Beach
mandalaybay.com
877-632-7400

Depeche Mode

The Pearl Concert
Theater at The Palms
livenation.com
800-745-3000

Worlds Collide

MMA semifinals
Primm
Star of the Desert Arena
primmvalleyresorts.com
800-FUN-STOP

(22-23)

Dave Mason

Laughlin
Harrah's Laughlin
harrahslaughlin.com
702-298-8510

23 SUNDAY

M.O.C.C.A.

Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

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(24-Sept. 4)

Red Flag Air Exercises

Rachel
rachel-nevada.com

25

(25-30)

Hot August Nights

Celebrating Neil
Diamond

Laughlin

Riverside Resort
riversideresort.com
800-227-3849 x.616

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(26-29)

Foundation for the Pure Spanish Horse

South Point
southpointcasino.com
866-796-7111



Rock guitar virtuoso Carlos Santana has taken up residence at newly remodeled The Joint, becoming the property's first resident rock artist in a two-year deal that includes 36 performances per year.

(26-30)

Supernatural Santana: A Trip Through the Hits

The Joint at
Hard Rock Hotel
supernaturalsantana.com
702-693-5583

28

Midnight Mayhem

The Strip at Las Vegas
Motor Speedway
lvms.com
800-644-4444

Norm MacDonald

The Canyon Club
canyonclub.net
818-879-5016

Steely Dan

The Pearl Concert
Theater at The Palms
livenation.com
800-745-3000

(28-29)

Michael John

Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300

(28-30)

The Osmonds

The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

(28-30)

Ralphie May

South Point Casino
southpointcasino.com
866-796-7111

29 SATURDAY

Colorado River Regatta

Laughlin
visitlaughlin.com

Felix Cavaliere's Rascals & Tommy James & The Shondells

Cannery Casino
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Tracy Lawrence, Tracy Byrd, & Bomshel

The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

USAC Focus Midgets

The Bullring at Las Vegas Motor Speedway
lvms.com
800-644-4444

Wicked HP Championship E.T. Bracket Series

The Strip at Las Vegas
Motor Speedway
lvms.com
800-644-4444

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Circus Circus
Daily
adventuredome.com
702-794-3939

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Daily
imperialpalace.com
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Primm
Daily
primmvalleyresorts.com
800-FUN-STOP

Eiffel Tower Experience

Paris Las Vegas
Daily
parislasvegas.com

Fountains of Bellagio

Water, music, & light show
Bellagio
Daily
bellagio.com
702-693-7111

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Silverton
Daily
silvertoncasino.com
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The Palazzo
Dark Sun.
palazzolasvegas.com

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MGM Grand
Daily
mgmgrand.com
877-880-0880

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Daily
nynyhotelcasino.com
800-689-1797

Shark Reef Aquarium

Mandalay Bay
Daily
mandalaybay.com
702-632-4555

Siegfried & Roy's Secret Garden & Dolphin Habitat

The Mirage
Daily
mirage.com
800-963-9634

★ **FARMERS' MARKETS**

Las Vegas Farmers' Market

Tues., Gardens Park
Wed., Bruce Trent Park
Fri., Fremont Street
lasvegasfarmersmarket.com
702-562-CORN

Tonopah Farmers' Market

Tonopah
Pocket Park
Mon., July 6-Oct. 5
localharvest.org
775-482-3118

30 SUNDAY

The NiteKings

Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5300



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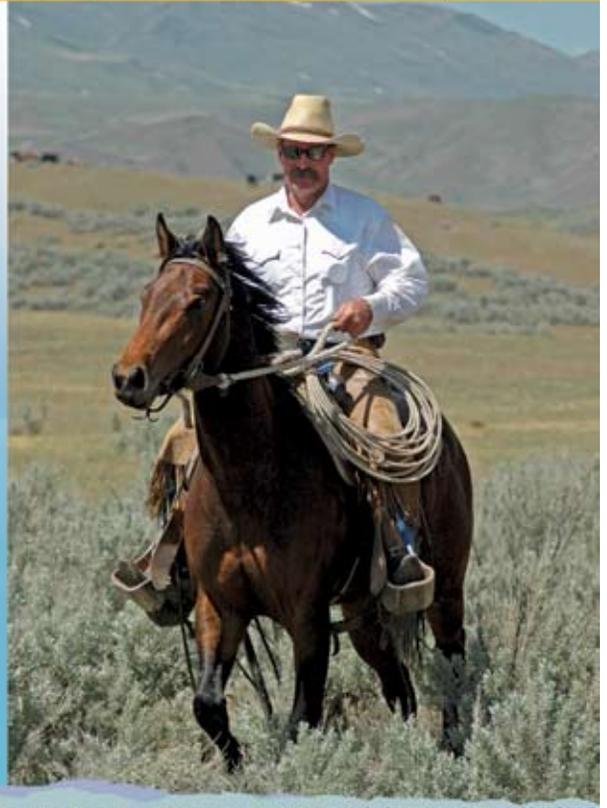


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JULY

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(1-4) Red, White, & Tahoe Blue
Community Celebration
Incline Village
gotahoenorth.com
775-832-1606



(1-31) Artown
Arts festival
renoisartown.com
775-322-1538

(1-31) Fine Art Show
Artists Co-Op Gallery
e-mail: cabennett@att.net
775-322-8896



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2

(2-5) RSVP 4th of July Celebration
Carson City
visitcarsoncity.com
775-687-4680

(2-5) Silver State International Rodeo
Includes parade
Fallon
Churchill County Fairgrounds
ssir.org
775-423-4674

3

(3-5) Arts & Crafts Festival
Homewood
skihomewood.com
530-525-2992

(3-5) Basque Festival
Elko
elkobasque.com
775-738-6854

(3-5) The Great International Chicken Wing Society Cook-Off
Sparks
Baldini's
tgjcw.com
775-358-8376

(3-5) 4th of July Celebration
Jarbidge
elkocva.com
775-488-2311

4 SATURDAY



BBQ & Fireworks Train
Ely
Nevada Northern Railway
nnry.com
866-40STEAM

I-CAN Run/Walk
Incline Village
i-canrun.org
775-842-9890

Independence Day Celebration
Virginia City
visitvirginiacitynv.com
800-718-7587

Lake of Fire Celebration
Spring Creek
elkocva.com
775-753-6295

Old-Fashioned 4th of July Parade & Celebration
Eureka
co.eureka.nv.us
775-237-5484

Pops in the Park
Sierra Philharmonic League
Genoa
Mormon Station State Historic Park
genoanevada.org
775-267-2403

Red, White, & Blue Celebration
Gardnerville
Heritage Park
visitcarsonvalley.org
800-727-7677

Ron White
Peppermill
peppermillreno.com
866-821-9996

Star-Spangled Sparks
Sparks
Sparks Marina & Victorian Square
sparksrec.com
800-843-2427

4th of July Celebration
Austin
austinnevada.com
775-964-2200

4th of July Celebration
Battle Mountain
battlemountaintourism.com
775-635-1112

4th of July Celebration
Ely
elynevada.net
775-289-8877

★ FARMERS' MARKETS

Carson City
(Curry Street)
Sat. thru Oct. 3
carsonfarmersmarket.com
775-882-6751

Esmeralda Avenue
Minden
Tues. thru Sept. 29
visitcarsonvalley.org
800-727-7677

Fallon
Fallon
Tues. thru Aug. 25
fallontourism.com
775-423-4556

Foothill
Homewood
Sat. thru Aug. 29
Kings Beach
Tues. thru Sept. 1
Truckee
Tues. thru Oct. 13
Tahoe City
Thurs. thru Oct. 15
foothillfarmersmarket.com
530-823-6183

Lampe Park
Gardnerville
Wed. thru Sept. 30
visitcarsonvalley.org
800-727-7677

Shoppers Square
Sparks
Tues.
shopperssquare.net
775-323-0434

Somerset
Wed. thru Aug. 26
somersett.com
775-787-4500

Sparks Hometowne
Sparks
Thurs. thru Aug. 20
sparksrec.com
775-353-2291

Tamarack Junction
Fri.
tamarackcasino.com
775-852-3600

West Street
Wed., ECO theme
Fri., Asian theme
Sat., Traditional
visitrenotahoe.com

★ ONGOING

The Art of Nature

Sharon K. Schafer's photographs, sketches, & paintings
 Carson City
 Nevada State Museum
 Thru Aug.
 nevadaculture.org
 775-687-4810 x.236

Battle Mountain Raceway

Battle Mountain
 July 17-18, Aug. 28-29
 bmraceway.com
 775-635-1112

Between Grass & Sky: Trappings of a Ranch Life

Elko
 Western Folklife Center
 Thru Aug. 29
 westernfolklife.org
 775-738-7508

Bounce

Circus Circus
 Dark Sun. & Mon.
 circusreno.com
 800-648-5010

Candy Making

Genoa
 Mon.-Fri.
 genoanevada.org
 775-782-4584

"Carnival Cabaret"

Stateline
 Horizon
 Dark Tues.
 carnivalcabaret.com
 800-683-8266

Catch a Rising Star Comedy Club

Silver Legacy
 Dark Mon.
 silverlegacy.com
 800-MUST-SEE

Classic Film Festival

Elko
 Northeastern Nevada Museum
 Sat.
 elkocva.com
 775-738-3418

Coin Press No. 1 Demonstration

Carson City
 Nevada State Museum
 Last Fri. of each month
 nevadaculture.org
 775-687-4810 x.233

DBA Wine Walk

Elko
 Second Sat.
 elkocva.com
 775-738-3136

Dinner With Your Dog

Wild River Grille
 Mon.
 wildrivergrille.com
 775-284-7455

Downtown Beer Crawl

Carson City
 Third Sat.
 visitcarsoncity.com
 775-883-2211

Downtown Wine Walk

Carson City
 First Sat.
 visitcarsoncity.com
 775-883-2211

Faces: Chuck Close & Contemporary Portraiture

Nevada Museum of Art
 Thru Oct. 18
 nevadaart.org
 775-329-3333

Fallon Trap Club

Season-long events
 Fallon
 fallontourism.com
 775-427-4556

First Thursday

Refreshments & music
 Nevada Museum of Art
 nevadaart.org
 775-329-3333

Free Guided Hikes

Northstar-at-Tahoe
 Thurs.-Sun.
 northstarattahoe.com
 800-GO-NORTH

Free Summer Movie Series

Squaw Valley USA
 Thurs.
 squaw.com
 530-583-6955

"Get Hypnotized" Starring Chris Cady

renohypnotist.com
 775-324-7474

Greg London's "ICONMAN"

Harrah's Reno
 Dark Mon. & Tues.
 harrahsreno.com
 775-788-2900

(4-5) **Hot Spring Tour**

Black Rock Desert
 blackrockdesert.org
 775-843-6443

5 SUNDAY

Alice Ramsey Centennial

Sparks
 Baldini's
 aliceramsey.org
 775-685-0699

(5-11) **Region III Championship Arabian Horse Show**

Reno Livestock Events Center
 arabianhorses3.org
 916-645-2288

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Moonlight Tour

Kayaking
 Lake Tahoe
 kayaktahoe.com
 530-544-2011

(6-7) **Full-Moon Hikes**

Squaw Valley USA
 squaw.com
 530-583-6955

(6-7)

The Lee Boys

Crystal Bay
 Crystal Bay Casino
 crystalbaycasino.com
 775-831-0512

(6-10)

High Altitude Basketball Camp

Squaw Valley USA
 highaltitudebball.com
 775-342-7333

7

Dream Spirit Baroque Band

South Lake Tahoe
 Valhalla Grand Hall
 valhallatahoe.com
 530-541-4975

Pioneer Cookery, Cattle Drive Cookies, & Mining Camp Cuisine

Historic Lecture Series
 Gold Hill
 Gold Hill Hotel
 visitvirginiacitynv.com
 775-847-0111

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Big Sam's Funky Nation

Crystal Bay
 Crystal Bay Casino
 crystalbaycasino.com
 775-831-0512

Reverend Horton Heat w/ Nekromantix

Grand Sierra
 grandsierraresort.com
 800-648-3568

Rise Against w/ Rancid

Reno Events Center
 silverlegacy.com
 800-MUST-SEE

9

Monsters, Mobsters, & Urban Legends of Tahoe's Deep

Tahoe Maritime
 Museum Lecture Series
 Homewood
 tahoe-maritime.org

(9-11)

Silver State Stampede

Elko
 exploreelko.com
 800-248-3556

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Chris Botti

Sparks
 John Ascuaga's Nugget
 janugget.com
 800-648-1177

Movie in the Park

Gardnerville
 Heritage Park
 visitcarsonvalley.org
 800-727-7677

(10-11) **Poker Run & Bike Rally**

Ely
 whitepinechamber.com
 775-296-2181

(10-11)

Rocky Mountain Pro Rodeo

Battle Mountain
 battlemountaintourism.com
 775-635-1112

(10-12)

Comstock Bluegrass Festival

Virginia City
 visitvirginiacitynv.com
 800-718-7587

(10-12)

The Coors Light Boneyard Blast III

Softball tournament
 Reno/Sparks
 boneyardblast.com
 775-997-8000

(10-12)

Giant Women's Road Bike Ride & Retreat

Northstar-at-Tahoe
 northstarattahoe.com
 800-GO-NORTH

(10-12)

Western Days

Fallon
 fallontourism.com
 775-722-7703

(10-12, 17-19)

Tahoe ARTour

Tahoe City
 North Tahoe Arts Gallery
 northtahoearts.com
 530-581-2787

11 SATURDAY

Beerfest

Northstar-at-Tahoe
 northstarattahoe.com
 800-GO-NORTH

Blues at the Lake

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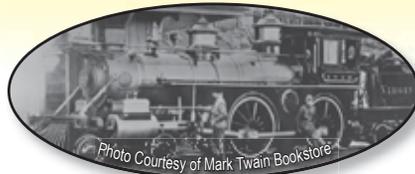


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Virginia City
Middle School Gym
e-mail: ttccrc@charter.net
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NRA High Power Rifle & Sport Rifle Contest

Elko
elkocva.com
775-753-7241

Pops on the River

Reno Philharmonic
Wingfield Park
renophil.com
775-323-2030

Sesquicentennial Celebration on the V&T Railroad

Virginia City
visitvirginiacitynv.com
800-718-7587

Soaring Kites & Music Festival

Squaw Valley USA
squaw.com
530-583-6955

Superhero Pub Crawl

visitrenotahoe.com

Tony Furtado Band

Crystal Bay
Crystal Bay Casino
crystalbaycasino.com
775-831-0512

TrailFest

South Lake Tahoe
tahoerimtrail.org
775-298-0012

(11-12)

Art in the Park

Elko
elkocva.com
775-753-4899

(11-12)

Tahoe Arts Festival

Crystal Bay
Cal-Neva Resort
laketahoeartsfestival.com
530-583-5605

12 SUNDAY

The Seldom Scene

Carson City
Brewery Arts Center
breweryarts.org
775-883-1976

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Broadway on the Beach

Reno Philharmonic
Sand Harbor State Park
tahoebard.com
800-74-SHOWS

Tutti Fluttie & Josue Casillas

South Lake Tahoe
Valhalla Grand Hall
valhallatahoe.com
530-541-4975

(13-14)

Mermen

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Crystal Bay
Crystal Bay Casino
crystalbaycasino.com
775-831-0512

(13-24)

Youth Backcountry Camps

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775-298-0012

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(14-19)

American Century Championship

Celebrity golf
Stateline
Edgewood-Tahoe
tahoecelibritygolf.com

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Barbara Baxter
Carson City

Brewery Arts Center
breweryarts.org
775-883-1976

Lake Tahoe Music Festival Opening Night Gala

Featuring The Sun Kings
Brushwood Estate
tahoemusic.org
530-583-3101

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Lee Rocker

After Party w/ Hellbound Glory
Crystal Bay
Crystal Bay Casino
crystalbaycasino.com
775-831-0512

Life in the Fast Lane

Eagles Tribute Band
Circus Circus
circusreno.com
800-648-5010

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Stateline
Harveys Lake Tahoe
harveystahoe.com
775-586-6266

Rick Hays & American Steel

GE Energy Family Concert Series
Minden Park
visitcarsonvalley.org
800-727-7677

Stone Circle

Acoustic Celtic-fusion
Eureka
Eureka Opera House
co.eureka.nv.us
775-237-6006

(17-18)

NAC Art at the Heart

Siena Hotel Spa Casino
nevadaculture.org
775-687-6680

(17-19)

Nevada Indian Days Powwow

Fallon
Churchill County Fairgrounds
fallontourism.com
775-423-6075

★ ONGOING *continued*

The Grid: Bernd & Hilla Becher

Nevada Museum of Art
Thru Nov. 15
nevadaart.org
775-329-3333

Hidden Cave Tours

Thru July
Second & fourth Sat.
Fallon
ccmuseum.org
775-423-3677

Honest Horses

Bartley Ranch
Western Heritage Interpretive Center
Thru Aug. 9
775-828-6659
Fernley Civic Center
Aug. 14-Oct. 9
775-784-9800

Imperial Acrobats of China

Circus Circus
Dark Wed.
circusreno.com
800-648-5010

Improv Comedy Stateline

Harveys Lake Tahoe
Dark Mon. & Tues.
harveystahoe.com
775-586-6266

JR Johns Pet Show

Circus Circus
Dark Tues. & Thurs.
circusreno.com
800-648-5010

Lake Tahoe Shakespeare Festival

Sand Harbor
July 11-Aug. 23
laketahoeshakespeare.com
800-74-SHOWS

The Lingo of Our Calling

NTI exhibit
Incline Village
Sierra Nevada College
775-831-1314

Lordy Rodriguez: Surface Depth

Nevada Museum of Art
Thru Nov. 8
nevadaart.org
775-329-3333

"Menopause: The Musical"

Eldorado
Thru July 26
eldoradoreno.com
800-648-5966

Miracle Children: Portraits by Reed Bingham

Nevada Museum of Art
Thru Aug. 16
nevadaart.org
775-329-3333

Mountain-Bike Racing Northstar-at-Tahoe

Thurs.
northstaratahoe.com
800-GO-NORTH

Movie Cars: Cinematic Stars On Wheels

National Automobile Museum
Thru Nov. 19
Thurs. movie nights
thru Nov. 19
automuseum.org
775-333-9300

Nevada Kaleidoscope

Scenic Nevada Art Gallery
Thru July 30
scenicnevada.org
775-378-1694

Northern Nevada Railway Train Rides

Ely
Dark Tues.
(Visit Web site for specialty rides)
nnry.com
866-407-8326

Open Air: Impressions of the California Landscape

Nevada Museum of Art
Thru Nov. 29
nevadaart.org
775-329-3333

On the Road with Alice Ramsey: 100 Years Ago

National Automobile Museum
Starts July 1
automuseum.org
775-333-9300

(17-19)
44-Hour Tournament
 Softball
 Winnemucca
 Sports Complex
 44hour.com
 800-962-2638

18
SATURDAY
Angel Lake

Fishing Derby
 Wells
 elkocva.com
 775-752-3540
Engelbert Humperdinck
 Silver Legacy
 silverlegacy.com
 800-MUST-SEE

Ottmar Liebert
 Sparks
 John Ascuaga's Nugget

janugget.com
 800-648-1177

Sierra Nevada Ballet—The Best Of Broadway
 Carson City
 Brewery Arts Center
 breweryarts.org
 775-883-1976

Silverland Art Gallery Exhibit & Reception for Dave Torch
 Virginia City
 St. Mary's Art Center
 visitvirginiacitynv.com
 800-718-7587

Slot Tournament
 Circus Circus
 circusreno.com
 800-648-5010

(18-19)
Art, Wine, & Music Festival
 Squaw Valley USA
 squaw.com
 530-583-6955

19
SUNDAY

Concert on the Green
 Genoa
 Genoa Town Park
 genoanevada.org
 775-782-8696

Donner Lake Triathlon
 Truckee
 donnerlaketri.com
 530-546-1019

21

More Than A Song & A Dance, The Heyday of Piper's Opera House
 Historic Lecture Series
 Gold Hill
 Gold Hill Hotel
 visitvirginiacitynv.com
 775-847-0111

22

Visceral
 Sparks
 John Ascuaga's Nugget

janugget.com
 800-648-1177

23

Fourplay
 Lake Tahoe Music Festival performance
 Truckee
 West End Beach
 at Donner Lake
 tahoemusic.org
 530-583-3101

(23-25)
Fort Halleck Days
 Cowboy poetry & shooting event
 Elko
 71 Ranch
 e-mail: fhvolunteers@fthalleck.com
 775-753-8203

(23-25)
Lund Pioneer Days
 Lund
 whitepinechamber.com
 775-238-0550

(23-25)
The Rat Pack Tribute Show
 Sparks
 John Ascuaga's Nugget
 janugget.com
 800-648-1177

(23-26)
Miniature Horse Show
 Reno Livestock Events Center
 amha.org
 817-783-5600

(23-26, 30-31)
Urinetown The Musical
 Carson City
 Brewery Arts Center
 breweryarts.org
 775-883-1976

24

The Hawaiian World Festival
 Crystal Bay
 Crystal Bay Casino
 crystalbaycasino.com
 775-831-0512

Il Divo
 Reno Events Center
 silverlegacy.com
 800-MUST-SEE
(24-25)
A Night in the Country Music Festival
 Yerington
 Lyon County Fairgrounds
 nic.bgcmasonvalley.org
 775-463-2334

(24-25)
Bluegrass Festival
 Battle Mountain
 battlemountaintourism.com
 775-635-1112

(24-26)
Wanderlust Festival—Music. Yoga. Nature.
 Squaw Valley USA
 wanderlustfestival.com

25
SATURDAY

Garden Tour
 Incline Village
 530-562-1238

Guided Wetlands Walk
 Washoe Lake State Park
 parks.nv.gov
 775-687-4319

Huey Lewis & The News
 Lake Tahoe Music Festival performance
 Truckee
 Old Greenwood
 tahoemusic.org
 530-583-3101

Journey w/ Heart
 Reno Events Center
 silverlegacy.com
 800-MUST-SEE

Paddle, Pedal, Patter Kids Triathlon
 Sparks
 Sparks Marina Park
 sparksrec.com
 775-353-2385

Rhonda Vincent & The Rage
 Hawkins Amphitheater
 washoecounty.us
 775-823-6526

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Out of Print
 NTI exhibit
 Virginia City
 St. Mary's Art Center
 July 13-Sept. 4
 775-847-7774

Reno Aces
 Triple-A baseball
 (Home dates)
 July 4-12, 20-23, 28-31
 Aug. 1-4, 14-21, 31
 renoaces.com
 775-334-7000

Reno Beer Crawl
 Fourth Sat.
 renobeercrawl.com
 775-996-1811

Reno-Fernley Raceway
 Fernley
 July 10-12, 24-26,
 Aug. 7-9, 15, 22-23
 reno-fernleyraceway.com

Retro Skate Night
 Northstar-at-Tahoe
 Tues. thru Aug. 25
 northstaratahое.com
 800-GO-NORTH

Ride the Rails
 Carson City
 Nevada State Railroad Museum
 Sat. & Sun.
 visitcarsoncity.com
 775-687-6953

Riverwalk Arts Walk
 Last Thurs.
 renoriver.org
 775-825-WALK

Robert Cole Caples
 NTI exhibit
 Virginia City
 Comstock History Center
 July 6-Aug. 28
 775-847-0281

Slot Machines: The Fey Collection
 Carson City
 Nevada State Museum
 nevadaculture.org
 775-687-4810 x. 237

Star Tours
 Northstar-at-Tahoe
 Various days
 northstaratahое.com
 800-GO-NORTH

Summer Music Series
 Legends at Sparks Marina
 Sat. thru Aug. 29
 experiencelegends.com

Tuan Phan: Root | Bound
 Nevada Museum of Art
 Thru Oct. 27
 nevadaart.org
 775-329-3333

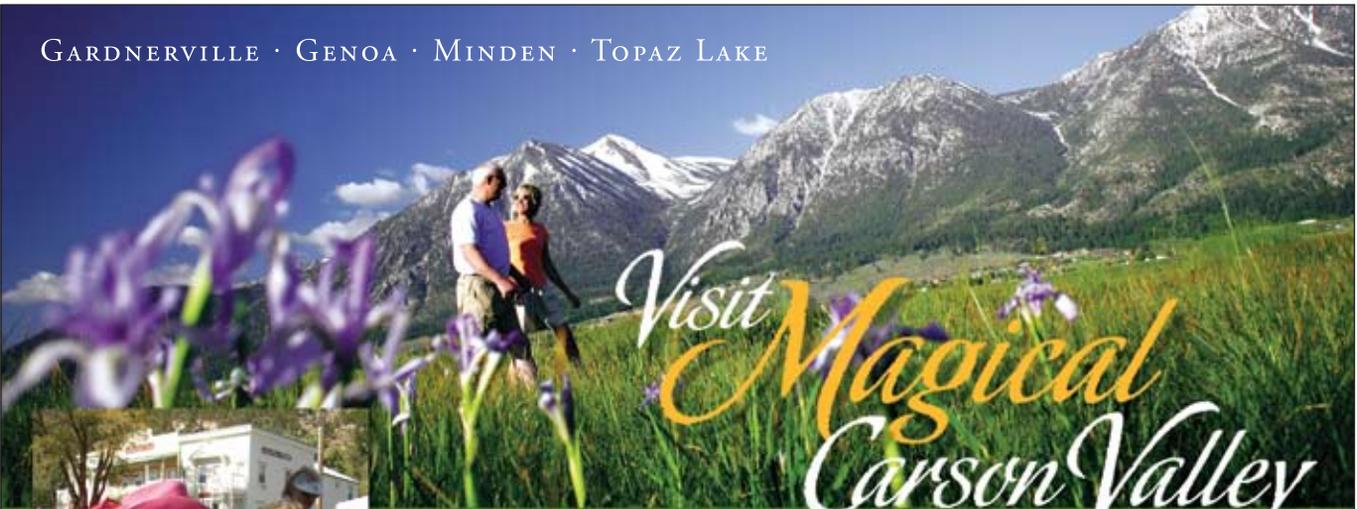
Virginia & Truckee Railroad Rides
 Virginia City
 July 3-5, 7, 9-12
 Aug. 1-9, 13-15
 virginiatruckee.com
 888-949-9991

Wine Walk
 Northstar-at-Tahoe
 Last Sat.
 northstaratahое.com
 800-GO-NORTH

Wine Walk on the River
 Third Sat.
 renoriver.org
 775-323-7766

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Kings Beach
pacificfinearts.com

(25-26) High Country Pick Out

Ely
Ward Mountain
Campground
whitepinechamber.com
775-289-4823

(25-26) Reno Basque Festival

Wingfield Park
renobasqueclub.org
775-762-3577

(25-26) Wa She Shu It Deh Native American Festival

South Lake Tahoe
Valhalla Estate
valhallatahoe.com
530-541-4975

(25-26) Youth Rodeo

Elko
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775-738-5816

(25-Aug. 9) Tahoe Rim Trail Thru Hike

Multiweek backpacking trip
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26 SUNDAY

Fort Halleck Days

Tahoe in Bloom
Garden Tour

South Lake Tahoe
laketahoemuseum.org
530-544-2841

(26-31) Lake Tahoe Music Camp

Steline
Nevada State 4-H Camp
extendedstudies.
unr.edu
800-233-8928

(26-31) Teen Rail Camp

Ely
Northern Nevada
Railway
nnry.com
866-40STEAM

28

Hackensaw Boys

Crystal Bay
Crystal Bay Casino
crystalbaycasino.com
775-831-0512

\$1,500 Blackjack Tournament

Minden
Carson Valley Inn
cvinn.com
877-783-7711

29

Kenny Chesney

Steline
Harveys Outdoor Arena
harveystahoe.com
775-586-6266

30

Broadway Night—The Music of Rogers & Hammerstein
Lake Tahoe Music

Festival performance
Truckee
Tahoe-Donner
driving range
tahoemusic.org
530-583-3101

31

Camarillo Classic Barrel Racing

Reno Livestock
Events Center
sharoncamarillo.com
530-895-1852



Hot August Nights Opening Day

Classic car festival
hotaugustnights.net
775-356-1956 x.1

Legends at Sparks Marina Grand Opening

Sparks
experiencelegends.com

Movie in the Park

Gardnerville
Heritage Park
visitcarsonvalley.org
800-727-7677

The Oasis Stampede & Country Fair

Fallon
Churchill County
Fairgrounds
fallontourism.com
775-423-0525

Peter Frampton

Sparks
John Ascuaga's Nugget
janugget.com
800-648-1177

Silver Dollar Car Classic
Friday night

street dance
Carson City
visitcarsoncity.com
775-687-7410

'50s Fever Car Show

Winnemucca
800-962-2638
fifties-fever.com

AUGUST

1 SATURDAY

Artown Final Day

Arts festival
renoartown.com
775-322-1538

AVFD Kingston Picnic

Austin
austinnevada.com
775-964-2120

Boz Scaggs

Lake Tahoe Music
Festival performance
Truckee
Old Greenwood
tahoemusic.org
530-583-3101

Earth, Wind, & Fire w/ Chicago

Steline
Harveys Outdoor Arena
harveystahoe.com
775-586-6266

Lake Tahoe Music Camp

Steline
Nevada State 4-H Camp
extendedstudies.
unr.edu
800-233-8928

Mountain Run

Benefits Auburn
Ski Club
Squaw Valley USA
auburnskiclub.org

NRA Banquet

Elko
elkocva.com
775-397-5308

Pyramid Lake Sprint Triathlon

Pyramid Lake
renoareatriathletes.com
775-852-5954

Taste of the Towns

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Teen Rail Camp

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Northern Nevada
Railway
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Reno Philharmonic
Orchestra
Pioneer Center
renophil.com
775-323-6393

(1-2)

Arts in the Park

Ely
White Pine County Park
elynevada.net
775-289-8877

(1-2)

Camarillo Classic Barrel Racing

Reno Livestock
Events Center
sharoncamarillo.com
530-895-1852

(1-2)

Lake Tahoe 24-Hour Adventure Race

bigblueadventure.com
530-546-1019

(1-2)

The Oasis Stampede & Country Fair

Fallon
Churchill County
Fairgrounds
fallontourism.com
775-423-0525

(1-2)

Quilt Show

Battle Mountain
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- July & Sept. Silver State International and Senior Pro Rodeos
- July - Aug. Oasis Stampede & Country Fair
- Sept. Friday Night Fights
- Sept. Hearts of Gold Cantaloupe Festival
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 775-883-1976

(1-2)
**Wild, Wild West
 Weekend**
 Squaw Valley USA
 squaw.com
 530-583-6955

(1-2)
'50s Fever Car Show
 Winnemucca
 fifties-fever.com
 800-962-2638

(1-9)
Hot August Nights
 Classic car festival
 hotaugustnights.net
 775-356-1956 x.1

(1-9)
**Legends at Sparks
 Marina Grand-Open-
 ing Celebration**
 Free concert &
 fireworks on Aug. 1
 Sparks
 experiencelegends.com

3
(3-9)
**Legends Reno-Tahoe
 Open**
 Montréux Golf &
 Country Club
 legendsrenotahoeopen
 .com
 775-322-3900

5
**"Much Ado About
 Nothing"**
 Children's version
 South Lake Tahoe
 Valhalla's Grand Lawn
 valhallatahое.com
 530-541-4975

**Relay For Life
 Wrap-Up Celebration**
 Elko
 elkocva.com
 775-934-0008

(5-6)
Alviso Roadsters
 Austin
 austinnevada.com
 408-203-3942

(5-9)
**American Traveling
 Shows
 Carnival**
 Fernley
 Out of Town Park
 fernleychamber.org
 775-575-4459

6
Earliest Tahoe Marina
 Tahoe Maritime
 Museum Lecture Series
 Homewood
 tahoemaritime.org

High School Musical
 Peppermill
 peppermillreno.com
 877-525-7469

**Hot August Nights
 Poker Run**
 Classic cars
 Carson Valley
 visitcarsonvalley.org
 800-727-7677

The Yellowjackets
 Homewood
 tahoemusic.org
 530-583-3101

7
**The Golden Boys—
 Frankie Avalon,
 Fabian, & Bobby
 Rydell**
 Silver Legacy
 Grande Exposition Hall
 silverlegacy.com
 800-MUST-SEE

Savannah Blue
 Southern Rock Revue
 Minden
 cvinn.com
 775-782-9711

(7-8)
**White Pine Rodders
 Car Show**
 Ely
 White Pine County Park
 elynevada.net
 775-289-8877

8
SATURDAY

Beach Boys
 Peppermill
 peppermillreno.com
 866-821-9996

Classical Finale
 Lake Tahoe
 Music Festival
 performance
 Homewood
 tahoemusic.org
 530-583-3101

**Dave Alvin &
 The Guilty Women**
 Sparks
 John Ascuaga's Nugget
 janugget.com
 800-648-1177

**NRA High Power Rifle
 & Sport Rifle Contest**
 Elko
 elkocva.com
 775-753-7241

(8-9)
**Historic Downtown
 Truckee Arts & Crafts
 Festival**
 Truckee
 pacificfinearts.com

(8-9)
Relay For Life
 Benefits American
 Cancer Society
 Stateline
 relayforlife.org
 775-828-2203

10
(10-14)
**Valhalla Fine Quilt
 Exhibit**
 South Lake Tahoe
 Valhalla Grand Hall
 valhallatahое.com
 530-541-4975

11
(11-12)
**Perseids Meteor
 Shower**
 Black Rock Desert
 blackrockdesert.org
 775-557-2900

13
**Thunderbird: The
 Making of a Model**
 Tahoe Maritime
 Museum Lecture Series
 Homewood
 tahoemaritime.org

(13-16)
**Ruby Mountain
 Chamber Music
 Festival**
 Elko
 elkocva.com
 775-738-2823

14
A Taste For Art
 Nevada Museum of Art
 nevadaart.org
 775-329-3333

Cattlemen's BBQ
 Ely
 White Pine County
 Fairgrounds
 whitepinechamber.com
 775-289-8877

Lisa Lampanelli
 Silver Legacy
 Grande Exposition Hall
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Michelle Shocked
 Carson City
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 Jim Reader**
 Eureka
 Eureka Opera House
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**World Dance
 Open Floor**
 Carson City
 Comma Coffee
 commacoffee.com
 775-883-2662

(14-15)
**The Alan Parsons
 Live Project**
 Sparks
 John Ascuaga's Nugget

janugget.com
 800-648-1177
(14-16)
**Arts & Crafts
 Lakeside**
 Homewood
 pacificfinearts.com

(14-16)
**Comstock Fireman's
 Muster Sesquicen-
 tennial Celebration**
 Virginia City
 visitvirginiacity.com
 775-847-0930

(14-16)
**Giant Women's Road
 Bike Ride & Retreat**
 Northstar-at-Tahoe
 northstaratahое.com
 800-GO-NORTH

(14-16)
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 Parade, BBQ, concerts,
 auction, & more
 Jarbidge
 jarbidge.org

(14-16)
Main Street Event
 Classic cars, street
 dance, BBQ, & more
 Gardnerville
 visitcarsonvalley.org
 800-727-7677

(14-16)
**MasterCraft Pro
 Wakeboard Tour**
 Sparks
 allisports.com
 407-628-5662 x.1308

(14-16)
**Reno-Tahoe
 Blues Fest**
 renotahoebluesfest.com
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15
SATURDAY

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Austin
Austin Town Hall
muledeer.org
775-964-2407

Nirvana Mountain Trail Run
Northstar-at-Tahoe
active.com
800-GO-NORTH

Old-Time Music Festival
Genoa
Genoa Town Park
genoanevada.org
775-782-8696

Sesquicentennial Celebration on the V&T Railroad
Virginia City
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800-718-7587

Sho 'n' Shine Car Show
Elko
elkocva.com
775-775-754-6354

Virginia City Railfest
Virginia City
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800-718-7587

(15-16) Backcountry Camp
South Lake Tahoe
tahoerimtrail.org
775-298-0012

(15-16) Brews, Jazz, & Funk Fest
Squaw Valley USA
squaw.com
530-583-6955

(15-16) Carson Valley Antique Tractor Show
Mindon
visitcarsonvalley.org
800-727-7677

(15-16) Reno Gay Pride
Wingfield Park
renogaypride.com

16 SUNDAY

Bob Dylan & Willie Nelson
Stateline
Harveys Lake Tahoe
apeconcerts.com

Dave Stamey
Elko
Western Folklife Center
westernfolklife.org
775-738-7508

Show 'n' Shine & Art In The Park
Carlin
Carlin City Park
explorecarlinnv.com
775-754-6354

18

Chili Cook-Off
Fallon
Overland Hotel
theoverlandhotel.com
775-423-2719

19

(19-23) Nevada State Championship Shoot
Carson City
Capitol City Gun Club
visitcarsoncity.com
775-882-9904

21

Lewis Black
Silver Legacy
Grande Exposition Hall
silverlegacy.com
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Tahoe Dance Band
South Lake Tahoe
Valhalla Grand Hall
valhallatahoe.com
530-541-4975

Movie in The Park "Wall•E"
Gardnerville

Heritage Park
visitcarsonvalley.org
800-727-7677

(21-22) Mint Coin Show
Carson City
Nevada State Museum
visitcarsoncity.com
775-687-4810 x.237

(21-22) Reno Cowboy Poetry & Music Gathering
Bartley Ranch
Regional Park
renocowboypoetry.com
775-830-7087

(21-23) Western States Wild Horse & Burro Expo
Reno Livestock Events Center
wildhorseandburroexpo.com
775-853-4182

(21-23) White Pine Horse Races & County Fair
Ely
whitepinechamber.com
775-289-8877

22 SATURDAY

Joni Morris & The After Midnight Band
Tribute to Patsy Cline
South Lake Tahoe
Boathouse Theater
valhallatahoe.com
530-541-4975

Lions Club Fly-In
Austin
Austin Airport
austinnevada.com
775-964-2410

Silverland Art Gallery Exhibit & Reception for Megham Berner
Virginia City
St. Mary's Art Center
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(22-23) Horse Races
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(22-25) Emigrant Experience Tour
Black Rock Desert & High Rock Canyon
blackrockdesert.org
775-557-2900

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\$1,500 Blackjack Tournament
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Carson Valley Inn
cvinn.com
877-783-7711

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(26-30) Nevada State Fair
Reno Livestock Events Center
nvstatefair.com
775-688-5767

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Blondie
Grand Sierra
grandsierraresort.com
800-648-3568

Caravanserai: The Legendary Music of Santana
GE Energy Family Concert Series
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800-727-7677

Jason Boland & The Stragglers
Carson City
Brewery Arts Center
breweryarts.org
775-883-1976

(28-30) ASA Men's Class E National Championship—West
Softball
Sparks
Golden Eagle Regional Park
sparksrec.com
775-353-7836

(28-31) Elko County Fair
Elko

elkocva.com
775-738-3616

29 SATURDAY

Beginning Dutch-Oven Cooking
Washoe Lake State Park
parks.nv.gov
775-687-4319

Lake In The Sky Air Show
South Lake Tahoe
Lake Tahoe Airport
lakeintheskyairshow.com
530-541-0480

Somerset's Sierra Bicycle Challenge
Ride to Defeat ALS
somerset.com
775-787-4500

Tom Jones
Reno Ballroom
silverlegacy.com
800-MUST-SEE

XTERRA Lake Tahoe
Off-road triathlon
Incline Village
bigblueadventure.com
530-546-1019

(29-30) Experience Northern Nevada
Wingfield Park
liquidblueevents.com
775-851-4444

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(31-Sept. 7) Burning Man
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TAHOE TIPTOE

Kelsi, Madyson, and Alexa Schnase (from left to right) cautiously venture into chilly Lake Tahoe near Incline Village. The lake's surface temperature barely reaches 70 degrees, even in the heat of the summer.

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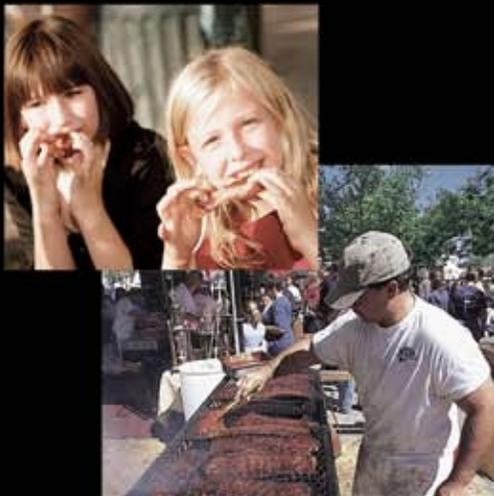
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