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Many are unaware of the Silver State's important contribution to the United States Armed Forces. Nellis and Creech Air Force Bases, Naval Air Station Fallon, and Hawthorne Army Depot are instrumental in our nation's military operations and bring thousands of jobs and billions of dollars to the state. We take you behind the scenes of these inconspicuous Nevada entities. Why are the bases here? What type of training is carried out on the properties? Learn about the inner workings of some of Nevada's best-kept secrets, plus a number of military-themed events.



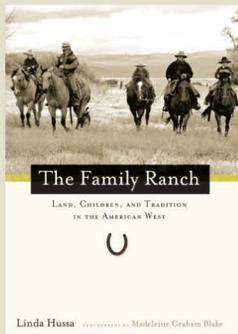
Wildflowers of Nevada

Mother Nature blessed Nevada with plenty of precipitation this winter. Generally, a wet winter in the Great Basin is always good news, but for many photographers, it means one thing: flowers. The key to witnessing these natural wonders is, of course, timing. Let the images in this issue's photo gallery serve as a glimpse of the fabulous flora Nevada has to offer, and if photography is your thing, look for tips interspersed throughout the story.

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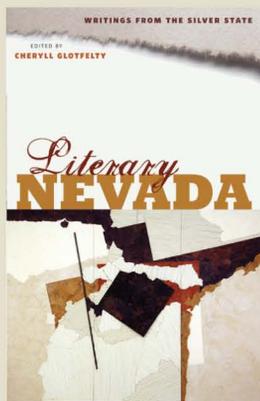
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- ▶ **Caesars Palace** in Las Vegas debuted its new Garden of the Gods pool oasis (see photo above) in March.
- ▶ Each year in June, the **Nevada Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve** recognizes military supporters.
- ▶ All hotel-casinos on the Las Vegas Strip, along with several off-Strip properties, turned off marquees and non-essential exterior lighting for **Earth Hour** on March 27. Reno also participated.
- ▶ The Jack Johnson-James Jeffries **1910 boxing match** was originally scheduled to be held in San Francisco. Tex Rickard, from Goldfield, moved swiftly to bring the fight to Reno. *By Daniel J. Demers*
- ▶ The Nevada Historical Society in Reno presents **Johnson-Jeffries Fight: A Centennial Exhibition** through July 30.
Read more about the historic fight on page 38.

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING

Margie Klein : We had the best time at the Pahrump Winery's grape stomp!—[Facebook](#)

roadup: Hey @Nevada_Magazine has a good series touring the state's small towns [called Tour Around Nevada]—[Twitter](#)

georgejnovak: Excellent video of [Las Vegas Ski & Snowboard] Resort. Check out my run down "The Strip" on my YouTube page.

Incline Village: Thank you for visiting Diamond Peak. I'm glad you had a great time. Come back again soon.—[Blogger](#)

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FEATURED PHOTO GALLERY

Las Vegas Ski & Snowboard Resort: Las Vegas has a ski resort? You bet, and we were there this winter. Go to our Flickr page, click on "Collections," and find photos from Nevada's three ski resorts—Mt. Rose and Diamond Peak included.

FEATURED VIDEO

Hoover Dam Helicopter Tour: Visit our Facebook page and click on "Videos." During our visit to Boulder City in February, we flew over the town and Hoover Dam courtesy of Stars & Stripes Air Tours and Look! Tours.

FEATURED BLOG

Touring the Hawthorne Army Depot: Although they weren't about to let us test the latest in rocket-launching technology, we were in awe of our comprehensive tour of HWAD (Hawthorne Will Always Deliver) in February.

nevada's softer side

"The family is one of nature's masterpieces."

— George Santayana, Spanish philosopher

In Nevada, we're proud of our rugged reputation—cowboys, cowgirls, dusty roads, wild horses, Sin City, bars that don't close—it's a list that could fill this space and then some.

But this issue is largely about defying those stereotypes and exposing Nevada's softer side. Family fun, flowers, fruit, farms, farmers' markets—not your typical Nevada word association list, but one that we're just as fond of. With spring in full bloom and warm days upon us, consider the following pages your family guide to Nevada.



Speaking of blooms, one of this issue's features provides a snapshot of the state's wildflowers and where outdoors-minded families can go to see these beautiful bursts of color. Veteran *Nevada Magazine* contributor William Lane offers some photography tips for those of you who consider your camera an essential travel companion.

But what to do when the sun goes down? Just look up. With so many rural public lands in Nevada, the Silver State is a virtual planetarium in and of itself. Starting with the town of Tonopah and its vast network of Star Trails, we offer a number of places for you and the kids to stargaze, learn about astronomy, attend a stargazing party, and maybe even join an astronomy group.

If wildflowers and stargazing takes you a bit too far off the beaten path, Nevada Commission on Tourism's Bethany Drysdale, a mother of two, takes you to some of Nevada's more urban family-friendly destinations. In the last couple years, Drysdale has heard those anxious words, "Are we there yet?" projecting from the backseat often enough to be considered an expert on the subject.

Finally, our events-themed Spotlight covers a number of family-friendly outings to plan for this spring and summer, and you can always check out our Northern and Southern *Events & Shows* listings for more ideas.

If you rugged Nevadans feel left out about now, we have you covered, too. Our other feature, "Military in Nevada," highlights the state's little-known military operations in Fallon, Hawthorne, and Las Vegas, and our History story recaps the famous 1910 Jack Johnson-James Jeffries heavyweight boxing match in Reno, which includes a centennial celebration this July. Hey, maybe you can take the family along.

Yep, family is definitely on the mind this spring; I recently became a father myself. Perhaps in some ways this family-themed issue is my own softer side coming out. That said, though, I hope my son Nolan appreciates life's ruggedness as much as his old man. It is backpacking, camping, and fishing season after all.

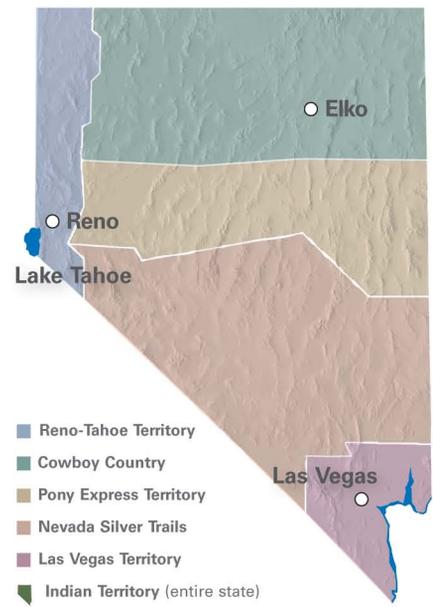
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SPRING IS IN THE ERROR

I was very disappointed that in the article about State Parks [March/April 2010], one of the photos (at right) was mislabeled. What was shown as “Spring Valley” is actually Spring Mountain Ranch State Park.

Barbara Rohde, Panaca
(retired Nevada State Park ranger)



Spring Mountain Ranch State Park, located 15 miles west of Las Vegas, lies within Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area.

HAPPY SUBSCRIBERS

Your map of the Pony Express [March/April 2010] with the presentation of each station was excellent.

Some time ago I complained about the emphasis that seemed to be placed on Nevada’s casinos and larger towns and tourist attractions. But now I look forward to receiving the magazine and reading about our state. So keep it up!

William H. Silcox, Incline Village

Your March/April 2010 issue is the best issue in 10 years! It covered most of our state, not just golf, skiing, or casinos.

I have had a subscription since 1968 and have a complete collection of *Nevada Highways & Parks* to present. Keep up the good work.

Carl Harley, Las Vegas

What an informative and fun March/April issue. I was raised in Yerington almost 70 years ago, and so in my early 20s we used to visit Cal Neva Lodge. I never knew about the hidden network of secret tunnels.

I’ve enjoyed your magazine for almost 50 years, and even though I have lived in Pennsylvania for most of that time, Nevada still feels like home.

Marjorie Jones, Mount Bethel, Pennsylvania

Read the rest of Marjorie’s letter—which also references Saint Mary’s in the Mountains church in Virginia City and Lahontan Reservoir—on nevadamagazine.com.

EDITOR

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MAP QUEST

As recipients of your magazine for some years, may I say how much we enjoy the photography and particularly the history articles. The story of Snowshoe Thompson’s tenacity and selfless dedication [January/February 2010] showed the stuff that early pioneers were made of!

We were pleased when you used to print the [one-page] map of the state near the front. For non-Nevadans this proved a very handy reference point when reading the articles. Believe it or not, personal computers are not in every household...having only recently acquired one ourselves. Please give some thought to restoring the map. Looking forward to your magazine as always.

Ronald Boag, Comrie, Scotland

Thanks, Ronald, for your loyalty to our magazine. We are determined to print a full-page map again when we can increase our page count. In the meantime, look for smaller locator maps within some stories, and currently—as you allude to—readers can find a detailed Nevada map under “Web Extras” at our Web site, nevadamagazine.com.

EDITOR

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LYNN GOYA

Boulder City residents Lynn Goya and her husband, photographer Alan Goya, have been exploring, documenting, and promoting Nevada’s culinary scene for 15 years. Lynn broke the national story in *USA Today* that Las Vegas had become one of the top dining destinations in the nation. For this issue, Lynn writes about Nevada’s three wineries, and Alan visits Pahrump Valley Winery. In addition, Lynn has shared her love for Nevada through the Emmy Award-winning *PBS* show, “Outdoor Nevada,” and her book, *Fun with the Family in Las Vegas*.

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SHANE BORROWMAN

A freelance writer from Fernley, Shane Borrowman is a longtime boxing enthusiast. The sport has fixed some colorful memories in Borrowman’s mind: “Marvelous” Marvin Hagler in the early 1980s, face covered in Vaseline and swollen beyond recognition; George Foreman in the early ‘90s, past his expiration date but still a winner, so exhausted that he began to retch five steps away from his corner. Borrowman delves even deeper into boxing history to recap the famous 1910 heavyweight title bout in Reno between Jack Johnson and James Jeffries.

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WILLIAM LANE

William Lane has been photographing the western United States for more than 45 years. A resident of Las Vegas and vice president of the Sun City Photography Club, he routinely prepares and presents digital slide shows to travel and photography clubs. Lane is a retired engineer and regular *Nevada Magazine* contributor, winning the Wide Open category of our 2009 Great Nevada Picture Hunt. For this issue, he shares his tips on how to shoot quality wildflower photos—and some images, of course.

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◆ **Peppermill Reno** debuted a free, online virtual visit tool for meeting planners earlier this year. The program includes interactive floor maps and area maps, click-and-view meeting room capacities and set-up options, and other meeting-specific features. Prospective event planners can save time and money and tour the property without leaving their office. visitpeppermill.com, 775-689-7144

◆ Denver-based **Smashburger** opened its first Las Vegas location this spring. The “fast-casual” eatery is named for its unique cooking method in which beef patties are literally smashed onto a flat grill and seared rather than flame-grilled. Smashburger also sets itself apart from its competition by offering beer and wine to dine-in customers. smashburger.com, 303-633-1500

◆ While most people recognize **Criss Angel** as a master magician and showman, fewer, perhaps, are aware of his love of motorcycles. Now motorcycle enthusiasts can view parts of his expansive chopper collection at Octane in **Excalibur** and Liquidity in **Luxor**, also home of the Cirque du Soleil show “CRISS ANGEL Believe.” excalibur.com, luxor.com

MUSEUM

Peace Officers Museum Turns Back the Cop Clock

The 1876 Virginia City Jail, within the Storey County Courthouse, gives visitors to the Silver State Peace Officers Museum a chance to see firsthand what life was like in a Comstock-era jail while learning about those who have dedicated their lives to the safety of Nevadans and all Americans for more than a century.

The museum, which opens for the season in early May, is full of various tools of the trade, from guns and batons to badges and crowd-control

devices. An interactive Kid’s Station permits adults to explore the museum in greater depth while their children play—or to play along. The not-for-profit museum seeks historical police-related memorabilia, from badges to uniforms and everything in between. peaceofficersmuseum.org, 775-847-7800

On May 15 and 16, the Comstock Police Collector and Restored Emergency Vehicle Show in Virginia City will include car shows and a parade. Show tables are \$35, vehicle registration is \$25, and general admission is \$5. For show table reservations, call 775-265-9394; for vehicle registration, call 775-771-1111.



THRILL RIDE

Stratosphere Takes Adrenaline to a Higher Level

The latest thrill ride in the Stratosphere Las Vegas lineup permits visitors to experience what promoters call 855 feet of “controlled freefall.” SkyJump Las Vegas sends riders plummeting at speeds reaching 40 mph. After a brief safety lesson, a special high-speed “descender” machine simulates freefall and then gently slows to a safe, controlled landing. The overall experience lasts 30 minutes, and riders can choose from day and night drops. The resort’s three other thrill rides include Big Shot, X-Scream, and Insanity, the Ride. stratospherehotel.com,

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Circa 1910

EVENT

Historic McKeen Motor Car Rolls Back into Carson City

One hundred years to the day after its original arrival in Carson City, the McKeen Motor Car makes its reemergence in the state capital on Sunday, May 9, when it takes up residence at the Nevada State Railroad Museum. The McKeen was something of an anomaly when it once ran on the Virginia & Truckee line. The self-propelled railcar had a noisy engine and odd shape—rounded on one end and pointed on the other—with circular porthole windows. The car operated on the V&T Railway between Reno and Minden from 1910 to 1945, logging more than 530,000 miles. People who remember riding the McKeen are urged to contact the museum to share their stories and participate in the May 9 festivities. nevadaculture.org, 775-687-8323



Today (interior)

◆ Since January, **Las Vegas' Nevada Ballet Theatre** has worked to generate community support. NBT's "Spread the Dance" campaign showcases the role that dance and arts play in the community by making use of online videos and viral marketing. "We hope that everyone will join us to ensure a strong future for ballet and dance in Las Vegas. Even small donations will make a big difference," says executive director and CEO Beth Barbre. spreadthedance.org, 702-243-2623

◆ **Laguna Champagne Bar** at The Palazzo Las Vegas opened earlier this year. Everyone from couples celebrating a special occasion to the most discerning beverage connoisseur can enjoy the lounge's luxurious setting and elegant entertainment while sipping a premium beverage. palazzolasvegas.com, 702-607-7777

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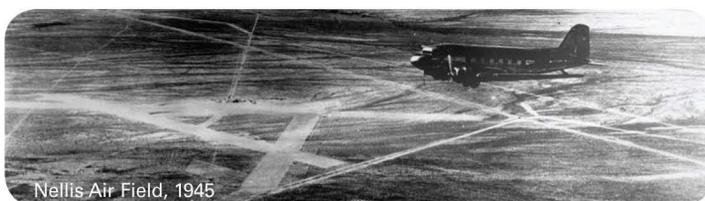
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NEVADA news

◆ The National Wildlife Federation has recognized the **Henderson Bird Viewing Preserve** as a certified wildlife habitat site. The 100-acre preserve is home to thousands of migratory waterfowl and resident desert birds. It is located within the Kurt R. Segler Water Reclamation Facility and staffed and programmed by the City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Department. cityofhenderson.com, 702-267-4180

◆ **Cottonwood Creek Farm** is a bed and breakfast that is rural enough for privacy, but close enough for a weekend getaway. About an hour south of Reno in Gardnerville, the 4,500-square-foot ranch house has three bedrooms, all with private baths, and is surrounded by a lush garden. There are also intriguing metal art sculptures strewn about the property. ccarabians.com, 775-782-3057

◆ Until May 31, the **National Automobile Museum** in Reno is offering two-for-one admission for Northern Nevadans on Sundays. The promotional admission price includes all exhibits, fashion displays, two films in the museum theater, and an audio tour in English or Spanish that allows visitors to enjoy the museum at their own pace. automuseum.org, 775-333-9300

◆ Through June 30, the **Grand Sierra Resort** in Reno is offering guests a standard room starting at \$39 with the second night free and a \$15 credit which can be used for bowling, the health club, FunQuest, dining, or free play. Guests can also stay free for a third night and receive a second \$15 credit. grandsierraresort.com, 800-648-5080

SESQUICENTENNIAL

The Pony Express Celebrates 150 Years

Each year the National Pony Express Association commemorates the historic Pony Express Trail by re-riding its nearly 2,000-mile length from Sacramento to St. Joseph, Missouri. In honor of the sesquicentennial, the 2010 re-ride, June 6-26, will be conducted only during daylight hours (it is usually a 10-day, 24-hour-a-day event) to allow greater opportunity for celebrations in towns along and near the historic route. The Nevada section will consume about five days, including stops in Genoa about 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 8; Carson City about 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 9; Fort Churchill about 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 9; and Schellbourne mid-morning Saturday, June 12. xphomestation.com, 916-332-8382



To read more about the famed trail, search "Pony Express" at nevadamagazine.com.



DINING

Atlantis Casino Resort Spa Unveils New Steakhouse

After more than a year of construction during a \$100-million expansion, the all-new Atlantis Steakhouse opened earlier this year. Sophisticated décor teams up with a menu that reveres the classics and yet isn't afraid to be creative. Appetizers such as ahi tuna tartare and Otter Cove, Washington oysters on the half shell are so fresh that you'll wonder if they came straight from the restaurant's 1,100-gallon aquarium. The tableside Caesar salad is flavorful and impossibly fresh. Steaks, from American Kobe strip loin to Kansas City bone-in rib eye, are aged 28 days, yielding a butter-soft texture and mind-blowing flavor. Sides, such as white truffle mac & cheese, creamed corn with a kick, and steakhouse fries, can easily be split by a table of four. Tableside preparation returns for dessert with flambé-style bananas foster and the ideal nightcap, café Diablo. The three-course prix fixe menu is one of the best deals in town at \$45 each (\$60 with wine pairings). atlanticasino.com, 800-723-6500

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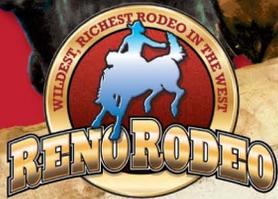
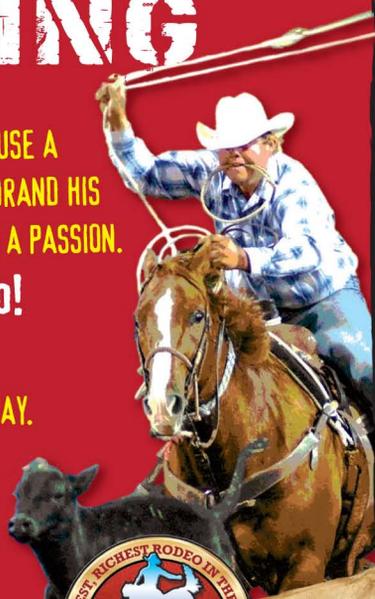
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our thanks and
gratitude to the
men and women
who dedicate their
lives to protecting
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While most people are familiar with Nevada's status as the most established gambling destination in the world, and maybe even its substantial involvement in gold and copper mining, many are unaware of the Silver State's important contributions to the United States Armed Forces. Nellis and Creech Air Force Bases, Naval Air Station Fallon, and Hawthorne Army Depot are instru-

mental in our nation's military operations and bring thousands of jobs and billions of dollars to the state.

Nevada's open, unpopulated expanses of desert allow soldiers to train in live-fire exercises and pilots to dart and spin across the sky at hundreds of miles per hour—all while barely disturbing a soul. For those directly involved in the action, consider the shared sentiment of Master Sergeant John Asselin at Nellis and Fallon's Public Affairs Officer Zip Upham: "Every day is like an air show."

NELLIS AIR FORCE BASE

In 1941 the opening of the El Rancho and El Cortez hotel-casinos signified the transformation of Las Vegas from a sleepy burg of fewer than 9,000 residents into the tourism Mecca we know today.

In the same year, a dirt runway about 10 miles northeast of the newly built attractions also started a transformation. In the following decades the once out-of-the-way, dusty landing strip changed every bit as drastically as its neighbor to the south, eventually growing into one of

the most important military bases in the United States.

The Las Vegas Army Air Field—thanks to the Las Vegas Valley's dry, sunny climate—was commissioned to house a school to train aerial gunners (the rough equivalent of today's fighter pilots) during the build-up to the United States' involvement in World War II. A far cry from the city-within-a-city that is Nellis Air Force Base today, the humble operation consisted of a detachment of five officers in a basement office in the Las Vegas Federal Building.

Enlisted men were quartered at a Work Project Administration building in the city because there were no services or buildings at the new base. By mid 1941 construction of permanent facilities began and by the end of that year the base was home to 10 AT-6 trainers and 17 B-10 bombers. The base continued to expand operations through the early 1940s, and, by the height of World War II, LVAAF was graduating 600 gunnery students and 215 copilots every five weeks. During this period the base population exploded to almost 11,000. Base operations declined as the war wound down until the base was inactivated in January 1947.

In 1948, the base was reactivated under the title of Las Vegas Air Force Base before the onset of the Korean War. In 1950 the base was renamed in honor of 1st Lieutenant William Harrell Nellis, a decorated Southern Nevada pilot who was killed in action over Luxembourg in December 1944.

Today roughly 12,000 people—about 3,000 of which are civilians—are employed at Nellis, making it one of the largest single employers in Southern Nevada, and, according to recently retired 99th Air Base Wing Commander Colonel Dave Belote, the base's annual economic impact on the Las Vegas area is more than \$5 billion. The base that once had to truck enlisted men and officers in for lack of on-site services now houses a full grocery and department store,



Top: U.S. Navy Lieutenant Nathan Clayville is shown during pre-flight checks on the Nellis Air Force Base flight line. Bottom: Soldiers participate in combat training on the Nevada Test and Training Range. Previous pages: Aggressor F-15 Eagles and F-16 Fighting Falcons fly in formation over the Nevada Test and Training Range.



A C-17 Globemaster III (top) lands at Keno Airfield on the Nevada Test and Training Range. Bottom: A mock-mosque at Hawthorne Army Depot's "mini-Kabul."

elementary school, library, movie theater, restaurants, community center, sports and fitness center, bowling alley, hospital, auto mechanic and parts store, and more—it is in every way a full-functioning city.

Running such a “city” is no easy task, and that is where the 99th Air Base Wing comes in. “We create an environment that helps people do their jobs,” Belote says. Day-to-day operations at Nellis are overseen by the 99th; everything from trash disposal and fire protection to construction of new facilities and maintaining the base’s photovoltaic solar array (the largest such installment of solar panels in North America). The solar array provides nearly 30 percent of the power at Nellis.

The once-isolated base in the desert is now much closer to its neighbors. The exponential growth experienced in the Las Vegas metropolitan area since the 1950s has pushed urban development literally to Nellis’ doorstep. And while the base and its neighbors coexist surprisingly well, encroachment is a major obstacle. Flights at Nellis are restricted to north and east takeoffs only, to spare residents the noise (during a Red Flag exercise planes take off as frequently as every few seconds).

While Nellis’ physical appearance has changed drastically in the 69 years since the base’s inception, its primary mission, to provide advanced combat training, has not. The United States Air Force Warfare Center at Nellis is tasked with analyzing the adversary, equipment certification, and tactic development to ensure that United States military units are prepared for combat. Training at Nellis includes every type of aircraft at the Air Force’s disposal and incorporates air and ground units from the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, and allied forces from around the world. To give an idea of the vital role Nellis plays in today’s Air Force, the base’s roughly 40,000 annual flights account for 75 percent of the Air Force’s total training operations. “I believe our aggressor courses are why we [the U.S. Air Force] are as good as we are,” says Colonel Paul Huffman, commander of the 57th Wing, the unit responsible for the oversight of most of the flying operations at Nellis.

Red Flag and Green Flag training exercises, controlled by the 57th, are among the world’s premier combat training exercises and give American and allied forces the opportunity to train against

mock adversaries in real-life scenarios. The larger of the two, Red Flag, is responsible for training more than 26,000 personnel annually. Red Flag was originally created to curb the excessive air losses experienced during the Vietnam War, according to Huffman. The exercises make up roughly half of all flights at Nellis.

The reason Nellis is able to facilitate such advanced and complicated training exercises is the massive amount of space at the base’s disposal. The Nevada Test and Training Range north of the base encompasses more than 4,800 square





Left: E-2 Hawkeyes are vital to carrier air wings and provide early warning, threat analysis, and control of counteraction against targets. A pilot exits his F-18 (bottom) after a flight at Naval Air Station Fallon. Opposite page: The Western Area Demilitarization Facility at Hawthorne Army Depot.

miles of restricted land in the Nevada desert, making it the largest such range in the country. Combined with more than 10,000 square miles of additional airspace available to Nellis, the base has access to an area nearly the size of Switzerland. “The Nevada Test and Training Range is the Air Force’s crown jewel,” says General William Fraser III, Commander of the Air Combat Command.

Yvonne Gresnick, Civilian Vice Wing Director of the 98th Range Wing, the unit responsible for command and control of the NTTR, says the range is most important to the Air Force because of the vast amount of training scenarios it can support. Target simulations such as airfields, surface-to-air missile sites, truck convoys, ammunition and fuel storage sites, and artillery units all exist on the range, which holds the added benefit of closely resembling actual combat zones in the Middle East.

About 3.6 million pounds of ordnance (ammunition, missiles, bombs, etc.) are used in training on the NTTR each year, which amounts to 75 percent of all training ordnance used by the Air Force. But Gresnick is quick to point out that the range is not a bombed-out wasteland. “Only five to 10 percent of the range is bombed,” she says. “The rest is pristine desert.”

More than half of the largest wildlife refuge in the lower 48 states, the Desert National Wildlife Refuge, actually overlaps the NTTR.



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NAVAL AIR STATION FALLON

Following the bombing of Pearl Harbor in 1941, the United States became increasingly apprehensive of a Japanese attack on the west coast. In an effort to repel such a strike the Civil Aviation Administration and the Army Air Corps constructed airfields in Fallon, Lovelock, Minden, and Winnemucca. As the war escalated, the Navy took control of the airfield at Fallon and immediately began construction of barracks, hangars, and air traffic control facilities. In 1944, Naval Auxiliary Air Station Fallon was officially commissioned. For the duration of the war, Fallon provided training, services, and support to air groups deploying for combat in the Pacific. During the summer of 1945, operations at Fallon peaked at more than 21,000 take-offs and landings. At the end of the war, activity at Fallon declined sharply until its designation as a Naval Auxiliary Air Station was removed and the property was turned over to the Bureau of Indian Service. New life was injected into the base when it was re-commissioned at the onset of the Korean War. In 1958, the airfield was renamed Van Vooris Field in recognition of Fallon native and Medal of Honor recipient Lieutenant Commander Bruce Van Vooris. The base was used lightly for training until 1972, when the Navy upgraded it to a major command.

In 1985, Naval Air Station Fallon installed the state-of-the-art Tactical Aircrew Combat Training System, an advanced computer system that allows pilots to view their flights in intimate detail, providing crucial feedback for their training.

Today, NAS Fallon is considered the Navy's premier integrated strike warfare training facility. About 3,000 people, military and civilian, are employed at NAS Fallon, making it the largest employer in Fallon and one of the largest in northwestern Nevada. During carrier air wing training (groups preparing for deployment on aircraft

carriers) as many as 2,000 more people are at the base to undergo four weeks of training. The base and its thousands of employees and transient personnel are responsible for roughly one third of the local economy, according to Upham.

Thanks to a large green belt reserved for farming and conservation that separates the base from residential and commercial development in the City of Fallon, the base and the city coexist without impacting the Navy's flight operations.

Real-life scenarios against highly trained aggressor forces are what make NAS Fallon such an important tool to the Navy. Carrier air wing trainers in Fallon receive instruction in every scenario they will face in combat except for aircraft carrier landings—since Fallon is almost 4,000 feet above sea level it would be detrimental to train for sea level landings on a carrier—and air-to-air refueling. The high-desert climate and more than 300 days of sunshine a year allow pilots training at Fallon to log vital flight hours before being deployed to the front lines in conflicts around the world. The Navy Fighter Weapons School, better known as Top Gun, moved to the base in 1995 and is responsible for training what many consider to be the best fighter pilots in the world. NAS Fallon also trains units from other branches of the military as well as allied forces from around the world. "We say it's better to sweat and learn in Fallon than to bleed and die in combat," Upham says.

NAS Fallon's training scenarios are made possible thanks largely to the Fallon Range Training Complex and more than 13,000



CREECH AIR FORCE BASE

Unmanned aviation plays a major role in today's War on Terror. The ability to perform reconnaissance and engage in combat with unmanned planes helps the United States military to preserve its most valuable asset—the lives of American troops. Creech Air Force Base, about an hour northwest of Nellis, is home to the MQ-1B Predator, MQ-9 Reaper (two types of unmanned aircraft), and the Joint Unmanned Aircraft Systems Center of Excellence. Working closely with Nellis, Creech utilizes the Nevada Test and Training Range for remote-piloted training exercises. The 99th Air Base Wing at Nellis oversees daily base operations at Creech. Creech, formerly the Indian Springs Air Force Auxiliary Field, started as a gunnery range for the Las Vegas Army Air Field in January 1942. The base was closed and re-opened with LVAAF in 1947 and 1948, respectively. The base received its first permanently assigned Air Force unit in 1950 and supported a variety of missions over the following decades, including many atomic bomb tests on the Nevada Test Site a short distance north.

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TONOPAH ARMY AIR FIELD

About the time the Las Vegas Army Air Field was commissioned in 1941, the Tonopah Army Air Field, 200 miles north, also started operations. The two bases marked the northern and southern ends of the three-million-acre Tonopah Bombing and Gunnery Range, which roughly covered the same land as today's Nevada Test and Training Range. During World War II, P-39 fighter pilots and B-24 bomber pilots were trained at Tonopah. Tonopah was also home to the then top-secret Glide Bomb project, which included heat-seeking and radio-television controlled bombs. At the conclusion of World War II, Tonopah was closed, never to re-open. From 1983-89, the F-117 Stealth aircraft was tested in secret near the former base.





An F-22 Raptor rests in front of the Las Vegas skyline at Nellis Air Force Base. Opposite page: Training exercises on the Nevada Test and Training Range.

miles of airspace. Within this space exist almost 250,000 acres of land, including four target ranges, on which live training ordnance can be used. NAS Fallon consumes about 80 percent of all training ordnance used by Navy aircraft. The base can accommodate more than 100 planes and helicopters on two (north and south) ramps. Fallon's 14,005-foot-long runway is the longest in the Navy and could accommodate a space shuttle in an emergency.

HAWTHORNE ARMY DEPOT

In 1926, an explosion at the Naval Ammunitions Depot at Lake Denmark, New Jersey seriously injured or killed more than 70 people, caused heavy damage to the surrounding communities, and cost the Navy \$84 million (the equivalent of more than \$1 billion today). To minimize the possibility of such a devastating disaster recurring, the Navy selected a sight in remote central Nevada to replace the one at Lake Denmark. Construction on the Hawthorne Naval Ammunitions Depot

began in July 1928, and the facility received its first shipment of high explosives in October 1930. In addition to its remote location, another benefit of the Hawthorne depot was its proximity to the Pacific coast, which proved integral to supporting forces during World War II. The depot was the staging area for bombs, rockets, and ammunition for almost the entire war effort. Employment at the depot reached its height in 1945 at nearly 6,000. During the same time, Hawthorne's population boomed to a high of more than 10,000.

While the workforce at the depot declined following World War II, it remained a key ammunition center during the Korean and Vietnam Wars. In 1977, it was transferred to the United States Army and renamed Hawthorne Army Ammunition Plant. The facility was given its current name, Hawthorne Army Depot, in 1994. The nearly 150,000-acre depot is the largest such facility in the world. Its more than 2,400 buildings and storage structures combine for almost 7.7 million square feet of storage capacity. While much of this space is devoted to the storage of ammunition and other high ex-

plosives, the role the depot plays in today's military reaches much further.

While Hawthorne isn't nearly as busy shipping ammunition as it was during World War II, it still exports a substantial amount to support current military efforts. Since 2003, the depot has shipped more than 7,000 tons of ammunition to the warfront in Iraq.

One of the primary responsibilities of the base is the demilitarization of projectiles, bombs, cluster bombs, mines, depth charges, torpedoes, mortars, small arms, fuses, and primers. The Western Area Demilitarization Facility is a 160-acre, state-of-the-art campus devoted to safely dismantling artillery and other explosives. By the end of June, the facility is scheduled to demilitarize more than 5,000 tons of ammunition and explosives in 2010 alone.

One of Hawthorne's most valuable attributes is its isolation. The base's training capabilities include live fire ranges, a sniper range, pistol and rifle ranges, prisoner of war training area, simulated urban training area, water training on Walker Lake, airport logistics training, and mountain warfare and light infantry

training on nearby Mount Grant. The high-desert climate, geography, and scenery closely resemble that of Afghanistan. "We call it mini-Kabul," says Base Commander Lieutenant Colonel Kimberly Gilbert-Mason of the urban training area.

The collection of truck containers arranged to resemble an Afghan cityscape (complete with a mock mosque) has an eerie and hostile calm about it. During a February visit to "mini-Kabul," I can easily see why troops praise the realistic training they receive as I walk through the narrow halls and passages of the dusty, remote outpost. In 2009, more than 10,000 troops received training at Hawthorne.

The more than 550 people employed by the depot make it the largest employer in Hawthorne, a town of less than 3,000 residents that would probably struggle to survive without the jobs provided by the base. ▀

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May 14-16

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May 15

Armed Forces Day

Carson City
Nevada State Railroad Museum
nevadaculture.org
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May 27

Veterans Reunion Farewell Dinner

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Circus Circus
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May 28-30

Jim Butler Days

Tonopah
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May 29

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Veterans Memorial Park
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June 11

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The Atlantis Casino Resort Spa in south Reno recently completed a \$100-million expansion, including an all-new steakhouse.

ATLANTIS CASINO RESORT SPA

A new spa, steakhouse, and sports bar highlight the impeccable upgrades at this Reno property.

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Atlantis Casino Resort Spa recently completed a \$100-million expansion. From a new spa to this year's addition of the all-new Atlantis Steakhouse, the amenities at Atlantis rival any resort in the country. With eight award-winning dining options, entertainment for adults and children, state-of-the-art technology, and a world-class spa, Atlantis is an excellent choice for business and pleasure.

All of Atlantis' 1,000 guest rooms are furnished with pillow-top mattresses, and its new Luxury and Concierge Tower rooms include upscale custom Mark David furnishings. Built-in media launch pads allow you to connect your laptop or DVD player to the 42-inch HD flat-screen TVs. Reno's only Concierge Tower rooms offer incredible views of the Sierra Nevada and the Biggest Little Cityscape. Concierge guests can enjoy the exclusive 25th-floor Concierge

Lounge complete with a full-service no-host bar, complimentary continental breakfasts, and afternoon hors d'oeuvres. Atlantis lives up to its reputation as a resort voted "Reno's Best Rooms."

While at Atlantis, visit the new Spa Atlantis, voted "Reno's Best Spa." Spa Atlantis is unlike any other spa in Northern Nevada and one of only eight spas in the nation to offer Pantai Luar massage.

Enjoy a relaxing Swedish massage with herbal aromatherapy, or experience the Hydrating Cream Butter Float using the weightless floatation Soft-Pak-System. Spa Atlantis has a plethora of co-ed relaxation areas, including the Brine Inhalation-Light Therapy Lounge, Laconium Relaxation Lounge, Aqua Spa Lounge with Nature Experiential Shower, year-round indoor Atrium Pool, seasonal outdoor pool, whirlpool, and sundeck.

Men's and women's steam rooms and cedar wood saunas empty into tea

lounges with fresh fruits and infused waters. The Cardio Theater and Fitness Center feature TechnoGym equipment with Active Wellness TVs, which include iPod docks for music and video. You can create the soundtrack for your workout before cooling down in the spa. Spa Atlantis representatives invite you to "replace worldly concerns with a world of relaxation. Indulge your senses and rejuvenate body and mind. Escape to a world of complete serenity where spa is not just an indulgence, but a way of life."

Chances are you'll be able to find what you're craving, day or night, while at Atlantis. Purple Parrot is open 24 hours a day, and you can treat yourself to gourmet, or buffet, late into the evening. The new Atlantis Steakhouse offers fine steaks and classic cocktails, along with private dining for 15 to 50 guests. Bistro Napa has been voted "Best Gourmet" and has been awarded Wine Spectator's "Award of Excellence" both years of its existence. Bistro Napa



Clockwise from top: The Atlantis Sports Bar & Lounge boasts a daily happy hour. • The Rasul Suite in the Spa Atlantis leads to the Rasul Ceremonial Chamber, offering solo and partner massages. • The Atlantis Steakhouse is home to some of the most creative cocktails in Reno. • Guests who stay in the Concierge Tower (room shown) have access to the exclusive 25th-floor Concierge Lounge.

features delightful small plates and entrées along with a new Raw Seafood Bar.

The Manhattan Deli is a full-service restaurant, offering piled-high sandwiches and creamy, homemade New York cheesecake. Toucan Charlie's Buffet & Grille has been voted "Reno's Best Buffet" several years running. Voted "Best Sushi" and "Best Seafood," the Oyster & Sushi Bar occupies a skywalk that spans South Virginia Street and boasts scenic views and all-you-can-eat sushi.

Café Alfresco serves fresh salads and pastas and has an open kitchen where you can watch your pizza as it rises in a wood-fired brick oven. Homemade gelato is a hit throughout the resort. You can find delicious gelato at Café Alfresco, on the east side of the resort, or on the west side at Gourmet Grind. Gourmet Grind is a great place to start the morning with a fresh pastry and a cup of coffee, or settle down with some hot tea and a slice of pie.

Following the recent expansion, Atlantis has more than 61,000 square feet of casino space and nine bars and lounges, all offering a fantastic value. The new Sports Bar & Lounge has a daily happy hour with half-priced microbrews and specialty cocktails along with a Manhattan Deli Munchable Menu. Bistro Napa Lounge welcomes guests with a daily social hour and half-priced select wines, signature cocktails, and small plates. The resort also hosts a number of big-name bands and comedians and offers free cabaret entertainment nightly.

Atlantis has nearly doubled its flexible meeting space, boasting more than 50,000 square feet of breakout rooms and large

ballrooms. The elegant décor is perfect for special events, weddings, and reunions, but has a professional atmosphere to meet the needs of any meeting. Two large ballrooms, multiple breakout rooms, and an executive boardroom all contain the latest technology, including recessed projectors, 16-foot screens, HD-TV monitors, programmable touch-screen AV controls, iPod docking stations, and more. Atlantis is Reno's only resort connected to the Reno-Sparks Convention Center. A glass-enclosed Sky Bridge spans more than 600 feet to the 500,000-square-foot convention center.

Voted "Reno's Best Hotel Casino," Atlantis offers the hottest slots, some of which you won't find anywhere else in Northern Nevada, and player-friendly table games. The Race & Sports Book features two 13-foot TVs and dozens of 51-inch HD flat screens. The smoke-free Poker Room features daily tournaments and has been voted "Reno's Best Poker Room." Atlantis has also expanded its high-limit gaming area, equipped to accommodate even the most discerning high-stakes player.

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family fun

From wild animals to wild rides, Nevada can satisfy parents and children alike.



Animal Ark, Reno

BY BETHANY DRYSDALE

Are we there yet? These four words signal the start of summer and strike fear in the hearts of road-tripping parents around the world. Family-vacation season has begun, and there are a few destinations in Nevada that should be on mom and dad's radar.

Unleash your wild child (or children) at Animal Ark in Reno, a haven for rescued and exotic animals. The wildlife varies from the slow and safe—tortoises—to the fast and ferocious—cheetahs and tigers. "There's also a good chance that you will see native wild animals [such as] deer, badger, hawks, and eagles that are not on exhibit at the facility," says cofounder and executive director Aaron Hiibel.

Hiibel and his wife, Diana, opened the refuge 30 years ago when they bought two Gray Wolves and quickly

realized the animals don't make great pets. They decided to use their experience to teach others about wild animals. A year later they opened Animal Ark at its current location, a 70-acre ranch 25 miles northwest of Reno.

In addition to providing a safe haven for non-releasable wildlife, Animal Ark is home to "ambassador" cheetahs that help raise awareness and funding for cheetah conservation in Botswana, Kenya, and South Africa. "A must-see is the monthly public high-speed cheetah runs [May 30 and June 20]," Hiibel says. "You can see the world's fastest land mammal run less than 50 feet away from you!"

Children of all ages are welcome at Animal Ark, and the park provides golf carts for disabled visitors. It is open from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, April through October, but Hiibel recommends visiting in the morning when the animals are most active.



Boohtown's Fun Zone, Verdi (Reno)

PHOTO: KIPPY S. LANKER (TOP)

Yogi the Bear eats his breakfast at 11 a.m. and always puts on a great show for visitors. Special evening programs are scheduled throughout the summer and are the best time to hear the wolves howl at the moon. A nature trail and interpretive signs add an educational component, while a playground and picnic areas make it all the more family friendly.

While the Hiibels turned their passion for animals into a fascinating park, other Nevadans have turned their land and homes into family farms open to the public. Lattin Farms in Fallon, about an hour east of Reno, has been a family affair for five generations, celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2009. It has been selling produce since the 1950s, and the current owners, Rick and B. Ann Lattin, have been welcoming visitors for more than a decade. "We aim for a whole day's worth of activities here," Rick says. "With the fall festival in October, the corn maze, pick your own pumpkins, hay rides, cow train, and straw maze...we have a bunch of things for kids to do."

The farm opens in late spring and sells fresh vegetables such as beets, carrots, lettuce, spinach, and turnips. Mel-

ons, including the region's renowned Hearts of Gold cantaloupe, hit the shelves in summer, and the fun really starts in August with a petting zoo, aptly named Critterville, and kid-friendly rides. "We get about 10,000 visitors a year in our corn maze," says Rick, adding that he'll welcome a couple thousand people each Saturday in October. The farm is closed most Sundays, but open the rest of the week with the fall festival each weekend in October.

There are many family farms in Nevada, but only a handful that offer rides, produce, and petting zoos. Corley Ranch in Gardnerville also welcomes happy crowds in the summer and fall months. Owned by the Corley family, it boasts a corn maze, hayride, pony rides, petting zoo, and the ever-popular piglet races. Nevada Grown keeps a running list of local farms open to the public at nevadagrown.com.

What do you do when your kids are acting crazier than barn animals? Unleash them at an amusement park conveniently contained within your hotel. Primm Valley Casino Resorts, west of Las Vegas, has a roller coaster, wet 'n' wild log ride, "Turbo Drop" thrill ride, 3-D theater, and arcade. The three-



Corley Ranch, Gardnerville



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While “something for everyone” may be cliché, how else do you describe two golf courses, a spa, more than 100 factory stores, an amusement park, a theater for live entertainment, casinos, fine dining, and casual cafés—all within one resort complex? Families rule the roost at Primm Valley, and at 35 miles from Las Vegas’ McCarran International Airport, it is a handy detour from the Las Vegas Strip. Mom and dad might even appreciate the big acts that Primm draws to the Star of the Desert Arena, such as Smokey Robinson (May 29) and Reba McEntire (June 5). Parents can find kid-friendly action on

the Strip, too, at Circus Circus. Clowns, trapeze artists, and jugglers perform under the Big Top while carnival games blink, blare, and twinkle on the Midway. Roller coasters, water rides, and thrill rides zip and soar through The Adventuredome at Circus Circus Las Vegas, where kids of all ages will find an agreeable ride or game. Circus Circus Reno features the same midway and big-top fun on a smaller scale sans the amusement rides.

Another Reno (technically Verdi) resort, Boomtown Casino Hotel, welcomes families with its Fun Zone, complete with a carousel, 3-D theater, flight simulator, Ferris wheel, and arcade games. Boomtown is adjacent to one of the Reno-Tahoe area’s major outdoor retailers—Cabela’s, with

life-size animal exhibits and a laser shooting gallery and all the shopping any mom, dad, grandparent, or child could ask for.

Family road trips can be the cornerstone of summertime memories, especially when, “Are we there yet?” is replaced with, “Can we go back?”

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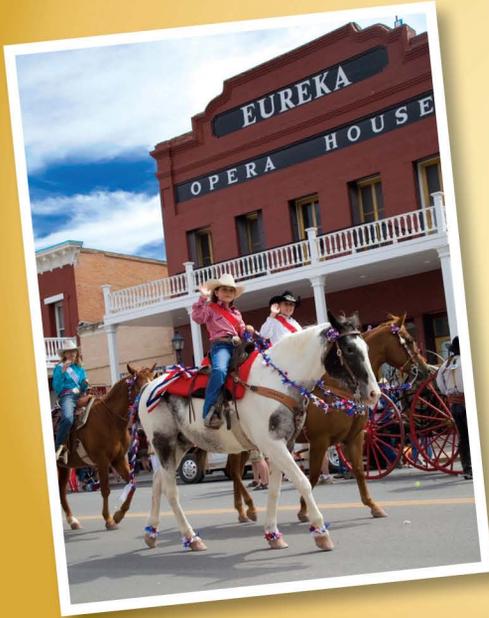
DESTINATION	CITY	ADMISSION	DAYS/HOURS
Animal Ark	Reno	\$8 (adults) \$6 (seniors, 60+) \$6 (children, 3-12) Free (2 & younger)	10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Tues.-Sun., April 1-Oct. 31
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Circus Circus	Reno Las Vegas	Games vary Adventuredome \$24.95 (Reg. Pass —48” or taller) \$14.95 (Junior Pass —shorter than 48”) \$7 (Premium Rides) \$4 (Large, Junior, & Family Rides)	24/7 Hours vary (call 866-456-8894)
Corley Ranch	Gardnerville	Harvest Festival \$6 (adults) \$5 (children, 3-17) \$5 (seniors) Free (2 & younger)	11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. & Sun. in Oct.
Lattin Farms	Fallon	Corn Maze \$7 (adults) \$5 (14 & younger)	5-8 p.m., Fri.; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Sat. in Oct.
Primm Valley Casino Resorts	Primm	\$8 (roller coaster) \$6 (Turbo Drop) \$6 (Log Flume) \$6 (3-D Experience) \$5 (Cyber Coaster) \$3 (Frog Hopper)	Hours vary (call 702-679-7433)



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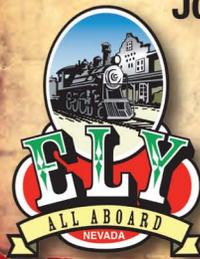
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The Peppermill Resort Spa Casino in Reno will reveal a two-story executive boardroom this summer.

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Reno property offers an innovative blend of luxury and environmental responsibility.

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It's not that the Peppermill Resort Spa Casino is unsatisfied with its recent \$400-million expansion, but the Reno resort is insistent on further enhancing the customer experience. "Our ownership continues to show confidence in the Reno market by reinvesting in capital improvement projects at our property," says Bill Hughes, Director of Marketing Operations. "We are constantly striving to provide an exceptional product with great guest service." That said, summer 2010 brings several exciting additions to the resort... with more to come.

Soon, the Peppermill will reveal a two-story executive boardroom that marries a rich décor of walnut and marble with state-of-the-art technology, including

individual business hubs at each of the board tables' 26 seats and a high-tech media and projection suite. With seating for 46 in the boardroom, the first floor will house a perfectly appointed pre-function area for executive retreats, lecture series, or more casual events. "Our rooms, restaurants, entertainment, meeting spaces... they're the best Northern Nevada has to offer," Hughes says.

EDGE nightclub, Reno's hotspot for nightlife, is committed to remaining fresh and exciting in the competitive club scene. The Peppermill recently invested another \$2.2 million in the stunning 8,000-square-foot venue, including a light and laser system designed to accompany the music and engage guests, an exclusive VIP Sky Box overlooking the dance floor, and Pandora's Boxx—a stylized windowed dance

platform featuring themed professional dance vignettes throughout the night.

General Manager Brian Kirgin is dedicated to keeping EDGE fresh. "I want our guests to have a different experience every time they walk through the door...to see something unexpected," he says. "EDGE rivals anything seen in Miami, Las Vegas, or Los Angeles."

Being part of the unique high-desert canvas of Reno-Tahoe has inspired the Peppermill to adopt sweeping green initiatives to reduce its carbon footprint. "The Peppermill is both luxurious and technologically focused, but we are environmentally conscientious as well," Hughes says. The resort has used geothermal energy to heat the domestic water for Tuscany Tower, including the combined 43,000-square-foot Spa & Salon Toscana

and Fitness Center as well as the two outdoor swimming pools and spas, since the tower's inception in 2007. With the culmination of an \$8.5-million investment, the entire resort is now online to heat space and water with geothermal energy.

The Peppermill has brought a bit of Rodeo Drive to Reno with the opening of two new boutiques—Bella Bottega and Garbati Bottega. Bella Bottega, a women's boutique, carries everything from high-end home décor to clothing, shoes, jewelry, and more—all at a great value.

"I want people to be surprised when they enter the boutique. There is a gift for every woman in Bella Bottega...your best girlfriend, your mom, daughter, and most importantly, you," says Retail Manager Makena Quinn. Garbati Bottega caters to men with varying interests and tastes, whether cool, classic, or rugged. The men's store can equip any man from a day on the links to a night out dancing. "We want to focus on items that are unique, not just to a hotel or resort, but to Reno," Quinn says.

Attention to detail is evident throughout the property. "The upgrade did not end with the expansion," says Pat Flynn, Executive Director of Hotel and Sales. "The Tuscany development set a bar, and our ballrooms and meeting rooms have all been raised to that standard."

The \$1.3-million renovation of the second-floor meeting rooms includes carpet, elegant silk wall coverings, enhanced new acoustic air walls, and Italianate hand-painted artwork.



Spa & Salon Toscana features an indoor pool (above) and sundeck. A state-of-the-art light and laser system greets guests at EDGE nightspot (right).

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SEEING stars

The sky is the limit when it comes to Nevada's myriad stargazing destinations.

BY MATTHEW B. BROWN

My degree is in journalism, but one of my favorite college classes was astronomy. Studying a starlit sky is one of the best ways to get some perspective on our very small place in this infinite universe.

If you're an astronomy lover, the great thing about Nevada—for city dwellers especially—is you don't have to drive far to get lost in a world that seems so close, yet its distance away is unfathomable to the human mind. If rural Nevada is more your style, then you're probably already aware of the state's seemingly endless stargazing opportunities. Following are a few suggestions.

TONOPAH STAR TRAILS

Roughly halfway between the big-city lights of Las Vegas and Reno, Tonopah claims some of the darkest nighttime skies in the country. Prompted by *USA Today's* designation of the central Nevada town as the number-one stargazing destination in America in 2004, Tonopah has set up a system of Star Trails—a network of paved and unpaved roads that lead visitors to awe-inspiring starry nights.

Even the most inexperienced stargazers will see more than they're accustomed to. While those in bigger, brighter cities are used to seeing

only 25 to 50 stars due to light pollution, Tonopah's surrounding skies show more than 7,000, including the Milky Way on a clear night with little moonlight. Those with trained eyes can see stars as faint as visual magnitude +7.0, the faintest stars visible to the unaided eye.

With more and more light pollution globally, observing a wealth of stars in the night sky has become increasingly rare over the past several decades. Tonopah is in a unique geographic position to take advantage of this resource. "Sky parties are one way people can enjoy dark skies," reads tonopahstartrails.com. "Many families like to get out of the city and take the family [stargazing]."

Or, if you're Danielle Cook, you don't even have to get out of the car. "I was lucky enough to be on the Extraterrestrial Highway [east of Tonopah] after sundown...wow! All the way through Tonopah the stars were close enough to grab," says the Carson City resident. "More stars than I'd ever fathomed. We have some good stars [in Carson], too, but not like that."

GREAT BASIN & DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARKS

Nevada's two national parks sit on opposite sides of the state and are quite different in terms of geological makeup, but they do share one characteristic—they're great stargazing

Lake Tahoe



destinations. Because of Death Valley National Park's scorching summer temperatures, consider a trip from November to March—although nighttime weather can be pleasant even when daytime conditions in the Mojave are unbearable. Conversely, high-elevation Great Basin National Park greets visitors with agreeable summer weather and frigid winters.

Great Basin, about five miles west of Baker in eastern Nevada, is an ideal vacation spot because it's one of the country's least-crowded national parks. That ensures plenty of peaceful nights under the stars. "On a clear, moonless night...thousands of stars, five of our solar system's eight planets, star clusters, meteors, man-made satellites, and the Milky Way can be seen with the naked eye," reads the park's Web site. "The area boasts some of the darkest night skies in the United States. Low humidity and [scant] light pollution combine with high elevation to create a unique window to the universe."

Any open location in the park will provide the best views. A specific spot to try is the Wheeler Peak/Bristlecone Trail parking lot at the end of Wheeler Peak Scenic Drive. Though surrounded by trees, which impede views, stargazing at more than 10,000 feet can be inspiring. Mather Overlook, and other pullouts along the scenic drive, provides more panoramic views with fewer obstructions. Expansive skies can also be enjoyed at the Baker

Archeological Site, outside the park.

The park offers special Night Sky Programs at the Lehman Caves Visitor Center—mark your calendars for May 29-30 and July 24-25. The Great Basin Astronomy Festival, in cooperation with the National Parks and Conservation Association, will be held August 6-8.

Frequently cloudless skies and low light pollution in Death Valley, most of which lies in California, allow professionals and amateurs to see many heavenly bodies after dark. In recent years, however, the area has been affected by glows from Las Vegas and the central valley, so head for the park's remote northern sections for optimal viewing. A plan for limiting light pollution in Death Valley is being developed, as night-sky conditions are monitored annually by scientists.

Don't be deceived by Death Valley's low-desert reputation. Aptly-named Telescope Peak—at 11,049 feet—is accessible via a strenuous seven-mile one-way hike. There are numerous easy hikes in the park as well. Consider staying in nearby Beatty or Pahrump if you don't want to rough it.

CATHEDRAL GORGE STATE PARK

If you ask Panaca resident Barbara Rohde, she will respectfully disagree with Tonopah's label as the unofficial "Stargazing Capital of Nevada." In Rohde's opinion, that title belongs to Cathedral Gorge State

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Park, where the Las Vegas Astronomical Society has held its annual Spring Fling since 1986. Rohde worked at Cathedral Gorge as a park ranger from 1986 to 2008.

The LVAS will gather at Cathedral Gorge for this year's Spring Fling, May 14-15, and the Fall Campout and Star Party, September 10-11. The park, about 50 miles south of Great Basin National Park, is far enough away from major cities that astronomy groups such as the LVAS covet it for star-viewing. In fact, the group is working with the Nevada Division of State Parks to establish a remote observatory there.

One of Nevada's four original state parks, Cathedral Gorge is located in a long, narrow valley where erosion has carved dramatic designs in the soft Bentonite clay. Numerous trails offer visitors access to the cave-like formations and cathedral-shaped spires.

Miller Point, a scenic overlook just north of the park entrance on U.S. 93, offers excellent views of the canyon. Shaded picnic areas and campgrounds are open year round. Hiking, picnicking, camping, nature study, photography, and ranger programs—some specifically about astronomy—are common activities at the park. The area is typically arid with hot summers and cold winters.

BLACK ROCK DESERT

Every year during Memorial Day Weekend, nature lovers unite in the Black Rock

Desert, north of Reno, for the Black Rock Rendezvous (this year May 29-30). On Saturday, May 29, the evening closes with a stargazing session until midnight. “Huge night sky, super-wide horizon, and no light or noise pollution,” says Margie Reynolds, a devoted member of Friends of Black Rock/High Rock, about the area. “We [also] have a star party out there in August during the Perseids meteor shower.”

The Perseids Meteor Shower Campout, August 12-15, takes place on the deep playa in the Black Rock Desert, the largest flat expanse in North America. This year’s shower should peak on the night of August 12 and the morning of the 13th. Traditionally, Will Roger, president of Friends of Black Rock/High Rock, is the camp host and serves up his famous margaritas. A Porta-Potty is provided, but note that there are no other services or shade of any kind. Arrive prepared, and bring everything you need for basic survival.

The Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area is a unit of the Bureau of Land Management National Landscape Conservation System. The expansive area, home to the popular annual Labor Day event Burning Man, is a unique combination of desert playas, narrow canyons, and mountainous areas.

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Astronomical Society of Nevada

The ASN was formed in 1934 for the purpose of uniting persons interested in the study and activities associated with astronomy. The ASN hosts various activities, whether it is a public star party or private gathering. The club also owns a 24-inch reflector telescope. astronomynv.org

Tonopah Astronomical Society

A chapter of the Astronomical Society of Nevada, the TAS holds two star parties per month, including the sixth annual Central Nevada Star Party at Monte Cristo’s Castle, September 9-12. tas.astronomynv.org

Las Vegas Astronomical Society

Established in July 1980, the LVAS is an organization of amateur astronomers formed to promote astronomy in Southern Nevada. The Society is a nonprofit operating under the auspices of The Planetarium at College of Southern Nevada and holds regular observation sessions and meetings. lvastronomy.com

WHEN TO GO

Two factors determine the best nights to go stargazing: cloud cover and the current phase of the moon. Cloudy or stormy skies obstruct views of the cosmos. The moon is the brightest and most prominent object in the night sky. You can see more stars during a new moon phase, when the moon is not so bright.

WHAT TO BRING

- To make stargazing more enjoyable, take along:
- ★ A warm jacket, extra layers of clothing, and an insulated hat. Evenings are cool, even in the summer. A thermos of coffee, tea, or hot chocolate is a nice bonus.
 - ★ A blanket. Use a blanket to make lying on the ground, or in the back of a vehicle, more comfortable. Sitting can be uncomfortable and cause neck pain, unless you have a reclining chair.
 - ★ Binoculars. A pair of 7x50 binoculars is comparable in magnification to an entry-level telescope. You may need to brace yourself for steady observing.
 - ★ A star chart (available online and in bookstores).
 - ★ A flashlight to read the star chart. Covering the end of the flashlight with red paper will preserve your night vision. Regular white light disrupts it.

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BY MATTHEW B. BROWN

Geraldine Zarate is a walking, talking Mesquite history book.

She'll start by telling you the story of two failed attempts to permanently settle the area before a small group of resilient families finally got their irrigation dams to hold in 1894. "The river kept flooding their predecessors out," Zarate says. "They built rock and brush dams, but nothing would hold back the headwaters from Zion [Utah]." The young families were spillovers from the farming region of Bunkerville, across the river, which was settled in 1877.

Zarate has more than a basic interest in this southeastern Nevada border town's history. For one, she's working on a book about Mesquite for Arcadia Publishing's *Images of America* series, due out later this year. During the town's

annual Mesquite Days, traditionally at the end of April, she leads tours of the town's historic gem—a circa-1880 rock house, a remnant of the first attempt to settle the area.

She has lived in Mesquite all of her 63 years, and her lineage can be traced to the Johnson and Pulsipher families, which moved to Mesquite in 1897 and 1900, respectively. Her mother and grandmother never called anywhere but Mesquite home. "My 91-year-old mother lives with me," Zarate says. "She was born in a tent on a farm where there's a golf course now."

Her mention of the golf course is her segue into the subject of the town's rapid growth in the past quarter century from about 1,000 residents to more than 20,000 today. "Growing up, it was always small," says Zarate, chairman of the Virgin Valley Historical Committee. "It



MESQUITE

Established: 1880
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didn't boom until Mesquite was incorporated in 1984. Then the golf courses and casinos came in."

Now, Mesquite is known as a bang-for-your-buck retreat if you want the type of gaming, golf, and luxurious spas offered in Las Vegas without the big-city hubbub. Like its Southern Nevada neighbor, Laughlin, with its warmer fall and winter climate Mesquite has become a favorite retreat for snowbirds.

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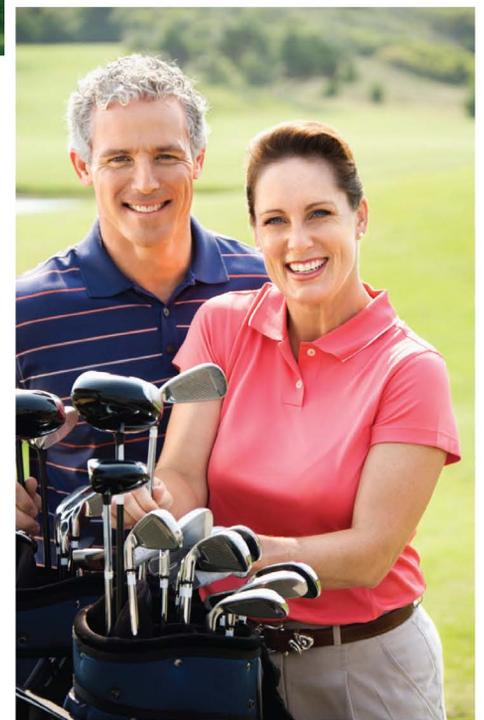
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Eureka Casino Resort features remodeled rooms and a new resort swimming pool, replete with poolside cabanas and palm trees. Not to be outdone, Virgin River Hotel Casino impresses with its 24-hour Cosmic Bowling Center Complex. On Friday and Saturday nights, the lanes, pins, and balls glow in the dark.

Residents laud the City of Mesquite's Recreation Center, which includes two full-size gymnasiums, two racquetball courts, an indoor heated pool, a climbing wall, and outdoor basketball courts. During the summer, guests can enjoy the outdoor pool. Sharp shooters can test their skills at Oasis Gun Club's trap, skeet, and sporting clay fields, which feature ponds, fields, and cliffs on a 10-station course. Zarate says she often utilizes the city's network of walking trails, some of which go along the Virgin River.

If you're a history buff and can't wait for the nearly 200 black-and-white photos that will grace the pages of the aforementioned *Images of America* book, the Virgin Valley Heritage Museum contains the first slot machine brought to the valley, early examples of technology, and more. The museum is open Tuesday to Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and admission is free. The City of Mesquite offers a self-guided walking tour brochure that lists 24 historically significant downtown buildings, including four structures that date to the 1800s.

The Mesquite Fine Arts Gallery & Center promotes arts and culture in the community through various ongoing and permanent exhibits. Gallery hours are Monday to Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Within a day's drive of Mesquite are Cathedral Gorge State Park—plus Lincoln County's other four state parks—Valley of Fire State Park, and Virgin River Canyon Recreation Area in Arizona. On June 14, tune into the *Outdoor Channel's* "Destination Polaris," as the show for ATV enthusiasts tours the Mesquite area.

Bill Lilienthal, who has lived in Mesquite since 1989, was recently named the city's Citizen of the Year. A retired Navy officer and dedicated volunteer who works at Mesquite's Nevada Welcome Center, Lilienthal says—despite its growth—Mesquite hasn't lost its small-town feel or sense of openness. "The people here are friendly, and the amount of volunteers are unbelievable," he says. "From where I'm sitting now, I can see the Virgin Mountains, and they're covered with snow. It's the most beautiful scene." ▀

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In the early 1990s, while in his 20s, Rick Halbardier retired from the Internet business and moved to Minden with his wife, Kathy. While Kathy was attending the University of Nevada, Reno, Rick decided to try his hand at farming—not just any kind of farming, but grape growing, a venture not commonly pursued in the Carson Valley.

Almost 20 years later, Tahoe Ridge Winery is the result of Rick’s career change. Tahoe Ridge is a pioneer in the quest to establish a wine industry in Nevada. In 2001, Tahoe Ridge harvested and produced the state’s first commercial wine, a chardonnay, from 100-percent Nevada grapes, and all 456 bottles sold out in two weeks. Since, the winery has been successful in producing wine from a number of cold-weather varietals: La Cross, La Crescent, and Brianna whites and St. Croix and Frontenac reds.

The Tahoe Ridge tasting room and bistro, which opened in November after relocating to Minden from Genoa, is worth a stop for lunch, dinner, an afternoon respite, or a glass of wine on the patio. “[The tasting room and bistro has] good food and a good atmosphere, complemented by a grand piano in the dining area,” says Gardnerville resident Deborah Tyler. “We have been great fans of the cabernet since we moved here a couple of years ago. The staff is friendly, and the fireplace is warm.”

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WINE DOWN IN NEVADA

A trio of wineries has set the standard for the Silver State’s successful vino industry.

BY LYNN GOYA

You’re playing a game of charades, and the subject “Nevada” comes up. One of the last things you might do is flip your pinky up, slowly bring your hand to your mouth, and tilt your fingers skyward to mimic the act of drinking wine. But perhaps some day you will, and Nevada will become a wine destination to rival its next-door neighbor to the west.

For now, though, Nevada is the place wine aficionados can go to escape the Napa Valley crowd, and three wineries—Tahoe Ridge, Churchill Vineyards, and Pahrump Valley—are at the forefront of the Silver State’s winemaking industry.



Top left: Zinfandel grapes hang from a vine in California. Tahoe Ridge Winery sources many of its grapes from our western neighbor’s vineyards. Gary Dove (above) of Tahoe Ridge Winery uses a wine thief to pull a barrel sample. Left: Tahoe Ridge’s Rubicon Point Red Wine (\$10) pairs excellently with Greek salad with Kalamata olives and feta cheese or beef stew.

PHOTOS: RACHID DAHNOUN



Churchill Vineyards
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Above: Churchill Vineyards in Fallon is located on one of the oldest farms in Nevada. The Frey Ranch was built in 1918 by Robert L. Douglas. Left: Farmer Charlie Frey (at right) explains trellising to Jay Davison (center) and former UNR provost John Frederick.

The tasting room and bistro feature award-winning wines, produced with grapes from the company's own vineyards and from grapes grown in California.

Within the bistro, innovative dishes feature wine suggestions, including pizzas such as the Garden Pie, with goat cheese, pesto, and tomatoes; or the Wild Mushroom Medley, with cognac-soaked mushrooms and camber cheese. The Tahoe Ridge tasting room and bistro also offers small plates, including citrus and garlic black pepper shrimp or chicken tequila penne, along with an assortment of salads and other appetizers.

CHURCHILL VINEYARDS

Established in 2001, Churchill Vineyards in Fallon takes advantage of a climate similar to that of eastern Washington state—and has the grapes to prove it. The climate in Churchill County closely matches that of Walla Walla, the second-largest grape-growing region in the country renowned for its robust reds.

In fact, Churchill County is where Northern Nevada produces most of its vinifera wine grape vines, says Colby Frey, owner and

manager of Churchill Vineyards. The hot days and cool nights in Fallon, about 60 miles east of Reno, are the keys to growing quality European-style grapes. “The trick is to get past the frost,” Frey says. “We are known for our sweet cantaloupes here, and those same conditions can also produce a grape with a lot of sugar. We have six to seven varietals that we think may do exceptionally well in the area, all fine European-style wine grapes that make premium wines. White Riesling and Gewürztraminer do exceptionally well here.”

Churchill Vineyards produced its first estate wine in 2004. Larry Ruvo, who owns Southern Wine and Spirits of Nevada, has helped make Churchill Vineyards the most widely distributed Nevada-grown brand. Semillon is Frey's favorite. Although generally used for blending, Frey bottles it by itself, and customers are very happy with the wine. They are also growing the popular Gewürztraminer and pinot gris, both of which sell out quickly. Limburger grapes, pinot noir, and melbac grapes are in the ground and, thus far, have given rise to high production hopes.

In May 2006, Churchill Vineyards was approved to be the first distillery in the state, allowing them to produce 20 barrels of distilled liquor, including vodka and brandies such as grappa that should be ready for consumption by summer 2010. The vineyard, distillery, and winery are located on one of the oldest farms in Nevada, dating to the 1800s. Wine-tasting events are scheduled by appointment only on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays.

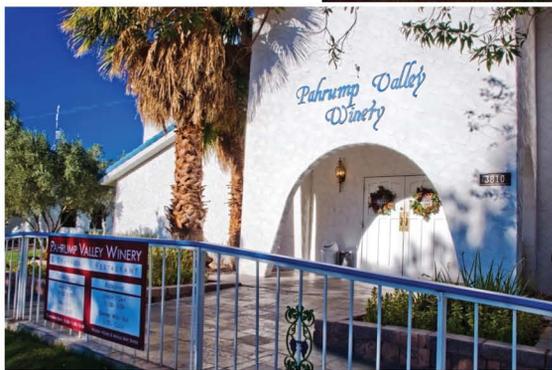
PAHRUMP VALLEY WINERY

Bill and Gretchen Loken, owners of Pahrump Valley Winery, are adding estate vineyards and partnering with others in the Silver State to expand their Nevada offerings. “We are now sourcing grapes from half a dozen growers around Nevada with several new Nevada-grown wines set for release this year,” Bill says.

Nevada Ridge, a zinfandel packaged in a deep red bottle and silkscreened with gold Nevada mountains, was produced from estate grapes harvested in 2005—making it the state’s first commercial red wine. It took the Gold Award at the 2009 Pacific Rim International Wine Competition, Nevada’s first homegrown wine to receive such international acclaim.

Pahrump Valley Winery won 51 national awards last year, including 10 Gold Awards between Nevada Ridge, 2005 Syrah, 2007 Symphony, 2007 Peak White, and Creme Sherry. Since the Lokens took over the winery in 2005 (it opened in March 1990), the couple has won almost 200 awards from wines they produced primarily from California grapes. They hope to be equally successful with their own harvests.

The wines are receiving good reviews locally as well. Issa Khoury, owner of Khoury’s Fine Wine & Spirit in nearby Las Vegas, says several of Pahrump Valley’s wines “are a little on the sweeter side, which makes them good for customers who are just



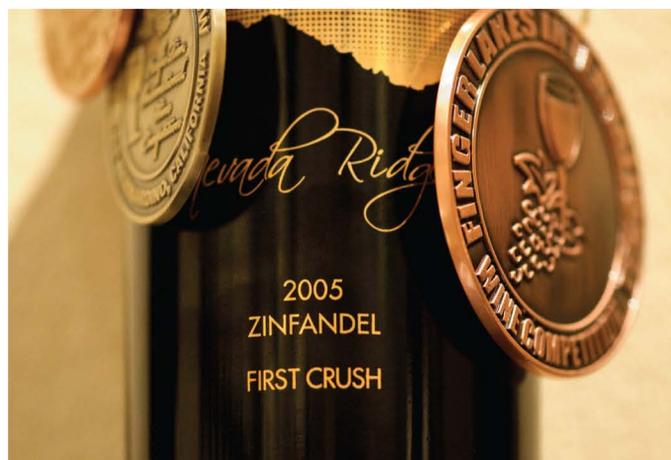
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getting out of white zins and looking for a good bridge to new wines.” The winery also sells a variety of dry blends such as pinot noir, syrah, merlot, and cabernet sauvignon.

The Lokens have done extensive renovations to improve customers’ wine-tasting experiences, such as adding rooms to make guests more comfortable as they wait for a table to the restaurant or enjoy a glass of wine. An awards wall showcases the winery’s accolades—each bottle stands on its own pedestal, its award draped over its neck like a dowager duchess’ diamonds.

Symphony, Pahrump Valley’s light summer wine, has won



Pahrump Valley Winery (inset) produced Nevada’s first commercial red wine in 2005—Nevada Ridge Zinfandel (above). Since its inception in 1990, Pahrump Valley’s wines have won numerous awards, including the Gold Award at the 2009 Pacific Rim International Wine Competition. From barrel to bottle, the winery has set a standard of excellence in Nevada.

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Double Gold and Best of Class awards in international wine competitions. Pair a bottle with steak or seafood (try the lobster bisque) at the restaurant of the same name, a hidden jewel that offers indoor and patio dining overlooking gorgeous grounds. Pahrump Valley's annual Grape Stomp, traditionally in October, attracts hundreds of wine enthusiasts, revelers, and music fans.

The winery sweetens the deal with a helicopter pad for fly-ins. "We've had as many as 11 helicopters fly in at one time," Bill says. "Generally high rollers from Vegas."



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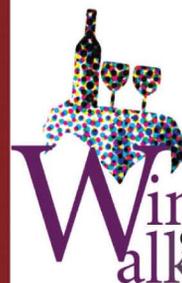
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James Jeffries *VERSUS* Jack Johnson

celebrating jack johnson

The first black heavyweight champion's 1910 defeat of James Jeffries in Reno comes full circle this July.

BY SHANE BORROWMAN

On July 4, 1910, Jack Johnson, who two years earlier became the first black boxer to hold the heavyweight title, beat former champion and white opponent James Jeffries in Reno. Although lesser known, Johnson's triumph (and seven-year reign as champ) is as culturally important as Rosa Parks' refusal to give up her seat on a busy Alabama bus 45 years later. For this reason, Johnson-Jeffries is still regarded as one of the most famous heavyweight title matches, and only a last-second change of plans brought the event to Reno.

To give an idea of the buzz that surrounded the fight, Jack London, famously known for his fiction, reported on it—just as he had two years earlier when Johnson took the title from Tommy Burns in 14 taunt-filled rounds. "What...[won] on Saturday was bigness, coolness, quickness, cleverness, and vast physical superiority," London wrote about Johnson in 1908.

That fight, staged in Australia, cost Johnson and his promoters \$30,000, an unheard of sum at the time but the only payment Burns

would accept for fighting a black man. The color line ran thick through American culture in the early 1900s, less than 50 years removed from the Civil War. Despite this, Johnson saw no reason why he couldn't be the Heavyweight Champion.



Ring announcer Billy Jordan introduces boxer Jack Johnson on July 4, 1910 in Reno.

Born on March 31, 1878, Johnson began boxing in his teens, sometimes working as a sparring partner and taking part in battle royales, events that pitted large numbers of young black men against one another simultaneously. Johnson was jailed after one such bout, not unusual in a time when virtually all boxing was illegal. While this was a minor offense, it would set Johnson on a course that would end in serious issues of crime and punishment.

When Johnson was a boy, John L. Sullivan transformed boxing. Sullivan, known as the "Boston Strongboy," is recognized as the first champion of gloved boxing—a title he held from 1881-92. Famously, Sullivan offered to fight anyone, anywhere, any

time, but that challenge did not include black fighters. Sullivan lost his title to "Gentleman" Jim Corbett in 1892, whereby Corbett also refused to fight a black opponent. This stance continued through the reigns of the next three champs: Bob Fitzsimmons, Jeffries, and Marvin Hart.

Black fighters and their promoters, who were denied access to the recognized title, named a World Colored Heavyweight Champion—a title Johnson claimed in February 1903 after beating "Denver" Ed Martin. Hart, meanwhile, was no Sullivan or Jeffries, and he lost his title to Burns in less than a year's time. Although Burns would duck Johnson's challenges for more than two years, he found himself in the

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ring in 1908 with a cunning Johnson, who delivered a staggering beating. Scheduled for 20 three-minute rounds, the fight—held in Sydney, Australia—saw Burns knocked down within seconds of the opening bell. Johnson constantly teased the crowd and taunted his adversary.

To spare Burns the humiliation, police stopped the fight and filming in the 14th round.

At age 30, Johnson was the first black Heavyweight Champion, a title he would hold until 1915, despite a string of “Great White Hopes” (a term used in the day for white challengers to Johnson). In 1910, Jeffries came out of retirement—even though he had ballooned to more than 300 pounds. For the Johnson-Jeffries fight, each man received a \$10,000 signing bonus, with a payout of \$101,000 guaranteed to the winner. Such numbers were unthinkable for most, but not promoter Tex Rickard, a P.T. Barnum-like figure. Rickard even had a special arena constructed in San Francisco, where the fight was originally scheduled to take place on July 4, 1910. But political pressure was brought to bear upon the Governor of California, James Gillett, by religious groups that viewed boxing as brutal and unfit for civilized society. On June 6, Governor Gillett canceled the fight.

Rickard acted swiftly and moved the highly anticipated bout to Reno, where prizefighting was legal and several east-west railroads met. Nevada Governor Denver Dickerson demanded an assurance from Rickard that the fight be fair, not fixed. Reno’s population in 1910 was 12,000. Into this town poured at least 15,000 fans, virtually all white and wagering on Jeffries at 10-to-4 odds.

From the opening bell, a snickering Johnson implemented his customary style: he counter-punched, blocked punches, and tied his opponent up—a technique almost identical to Corbett’s when he took

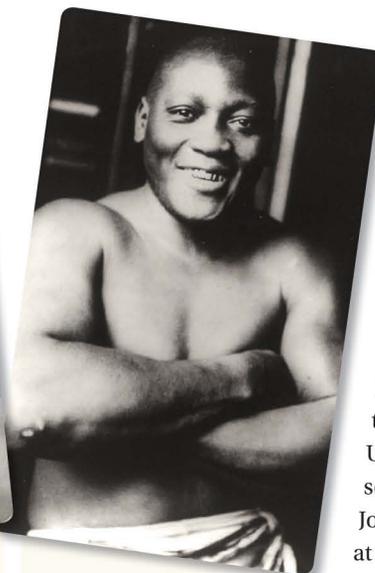
the title from Sullivan. Round after round, Johnson pounded on Jeffries and played with the crowd and Corbett, who was working in Jeffries’ corner.

Even now, a century later, footage of the fight shows the inevitability of its outcome



James Jackson Jeffries

Nickname: The Boilermaker
Height: 6’0”
Reach: 76.5”
Born: April 15, 1875
 (Carroll, Ohio)
Record: 20-1-2 (16 KO)



Jack Johnson

Nickname: Galveston Giant
Height: 6’1.5”
Reach: 74”
Born: March 31, 1878
 (Galveston, Texas)
Record: 78-7-14 (44 KO)

—Sources: *The Ring Record Book* and *Boxing Encyclopedia & boxrec.com*

as well as any front-row seat would have. By the end of the 14th round, Jeffries’ nose was broken, and he was covered in his own blood. In the 15th round, Johnson knocked Jeffries down again and again—punishment that the undefeated Jeffries was unaccustomed to. Conversely, Jeffries’ corner threw in the towel, and a grim white audience filed out in near silence. The victory spurred intense, yet short-lived, race riots across the nation, a precursor to the Civil Rights Movement triggered by Parks in 1955.

After besting Jeffries, Johnson held the heavyweight title for nearly five more years, losing to Jess Willard in April 1915. One of the greatest boxers of all time, Johnson’s legacy would be tainted by the same racism that kept him from his right-

ful place as Heavyweight Champion for so many years.

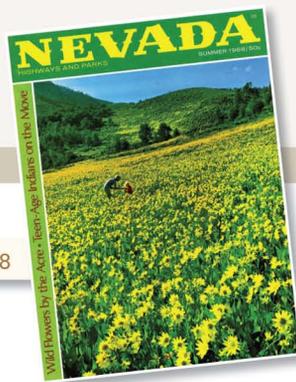
Johnson had, from the beginning of his career, made no effort to hide his relationships with white women—all of whom were, at one time or another, referred to publicly as “Mrs. Jack Johnson.” In 1912 and 1913, Johnson was charged with violations of the Mann Act, which forbade transporting women across state lines for immoral purposes. The evidence was shaky and the case weak (especially because it was built upon alleged crimes that occurred before passage of the Mann Act), but Johnson was convicted. Rather than turn himself in, he fled the U.S., living in exile for the next seven years. Returning in 1920, Johnson was taken into custody at the Mexican border. He served his sentence, returned to boxing, and finally retired from the sport in 1938. In 2009, Senator John McCain, among others, asked President Barack Obama to sign a presidential pardon for Johnson.

In that same spirit, boxing fans and aficionados will gather in Reno on July 2-4, 2010 to honor Johnson. The event includes a Pardon Dinner celebration, multimedia presentation titled “Fighting for the Soul of America,” celebrity panel discussion, continuous showing of the original 1910 fight film, autograph sessions with past heavyweight champions, and professional boxing at the Reno Events Center. “The whole boxing community wants Obama to move forward with the pardon,” says boxing historian Gary Schultz, who is organizing the event. “It’s long overdue, and there isn’t a more appropriate time than now as we approach the 100th anniversary.”

“It’s going to be a boxing summit,” adds Terry Lane (son of longtime boxing referee and former Washoe District Judge Mills Lane) of Let’s Get It On Promotions. “We’ve had a tremendous response from people across the country and around the world.”

LOOKING BACK

Summer 1968



A mother and daughter frolic in a field of yellow balsam root at the base of the Jarbidge Mountains. The cover teased a feature on the area, inspired by the work of photographer David Muench.

MAY

1, 1939 - A ranching community in central Nevada, south of Cherry Creek Summit, is named Adaven—Nevada spelled backwards. A post office remains there until the 1950s.

3, 1978 - MGM Grand, now Grand Sierra Resort, opens in Reno. At the time, it's the world's largest hotel-casino (26 stories and 1,015 rooms on 145 acres).

9, 1910 - The Virginia & Truckee Railway's McKeen Motor Car No. 22, built for \$22,000, is delivered to Carson City. The Nevada State Railroad Museum in Carson City will celebrate this occasion exactly 100 years to the day in 2010.

16, 1863 - The *Reese River Reveille* is first published in Austin. On the same date two years later, the *Nevada Appeal* begins operation as the *Carson Daily Appeal*.

20, 1950 - A dedication ceremony to mark the official renaming of Las Vegas Air Force Base to Nellis Air Force Base takes place, with the family of the late William H. Nellis in attendance. Nellis grew up in Searchlight and participated in 70 aerial combat missions during World War II.



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JUNE

1, 1851 - Salt Lake City merchants John and Enoch Reese arrive in Nevada and establish Mormon Station (present-day Genoa), the state's first permanent settlement.

4, 1930 - Lincoln Highway Days, a gala four-day event, kicks off in Ely to celebrate the completion of the last link of the transcontinental highway between Wendover and Ely.

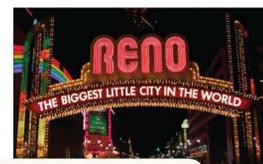
5, 1931 - During her Beech-Nut Transcontinental Autogiro Tour, Amelia Earhart makes an emergency landing in Lovelock. She ends the Nevada portion of her tour a day later in Reno.

21, 1910 - The Governor's Office reports a flood of telegrams asking Governor Denver Dickson to stop the Jack Johnson-James Jeffries boxing match, scheduled for July 4 in Reno. Read more about the fight—which went on as planned—on page 38.

25, 1929 - The phrase "The Biggest Little City in the World" is branded on the downtown Reno Arch.



AMELIA EARHART



DOWNTOWN RENO ARCH

Nevada Magazine volunteer Elmer Wolf provided this information.

SNAPSHOTS

OIL PAINTERS

Gary & Kathwren Jenkins

Carson City

Gary and Kathwren Jenkins have been painting a long time—roughly a century combined. The Carson City pair is best known as the hosts of the popular *PBS* television series, “The Beauty of Oil Painting.” The two broke into the art world in the 1960s and ’70s. The couple met in 1980, each already laying claim to impressive résumés as artists. During the ’80s and ’90s the pair continued to share their passion for painting through teaching, instructional videos, art books, and “The Jenkins Art Studio,” which also aired on *PBS*. The pair’s work can be found in numerous private collections throughout the country and galleries in Carmel, California.



Among their many accolades is Gary’s distinction as one of the best floral painters in America. “The Beauty of Oil Painting” airs on KNPB Reno on Thursdays and *Vegas PBS Rewind* and *Vegas PBS Jackpot* on Sundays and Tuesdays, respectively. jenkinsartstudio.com, 775-841-5496

SCULPTOR

June Towill Brown

Incline Village

Bronze sculptor June Towill Brown is humble about her talent and credits her surroundings as her muse. “There’s no question that [my] inspiration comes from living in the Sierra...and the views of Lake Tahoe just outside my studio window,” she says. Her collection includes sculptures of American Indians, Shakespearean characters, and wildlife. Brown’s work has won numerous awards throughout the West and earned her membership in Women Artists of the West. Her sculptures can be viewed at the Carmel Gallery in Truckee, Pacific Crest Gallery in South Lake Tahoe, Art Attick Gallery in Incline Village, Tahoe Biltmore in Crystal Bay, and Gesture Gifts at The Summit Reno shopping center. In March, Brown received the Award of Excellence from the Let ’em Ride Foundation for her piece “Horse Power”—Friesian Horse. jtbrownsculptures.com, 775-831-1313



BODY PAINTER

Ragen Mendenhall

Las Vegas

Ragen Mendenhall’s painting style has been described as soulful, surrealistic, dream-like, and dynamically emotional. The native Las Vegan’s work often features women merging with nature, animals, and elaborate decorations and incorporates elements of traditional realism and Art Nouveau styles. “The primary focus of my work is centered around the expression of human emotion,” Mendenhall says. “My paintings are symbolic representations of emotional states, a type of visual poetry in which I present the elements of a story to be interpreted by the viewer.” Mendenhall recently turned her focus to body painting—using the human body as her canvas—and works with the group Skin City Body Painting. Her “Firebird” design (above) won fifth place at the North American Body Painting Championship. ragensart.com, skincitybodypainting.com



PHOTOGRAPHER

Scott Hinton

Reno

Scott Hinton has been photographing Reno and the surrounding mountains and desert since he enrolled at the University of Nevada, Reno in the late 1990s where he earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree with an emphasis on photography. After earning his Masters at San Jose State University, California, Hinton returned to Reno, where he is a research associate in photography at UNR. Hinton’s intriguing use of 360-degree panoramic images led the Nevada Arts Council to select him to create the artwork presented to recipients of the 30th Annual Governor’s Arts Awards earlier this year. nevadaculture.org



◆ **PHOTO TIP**

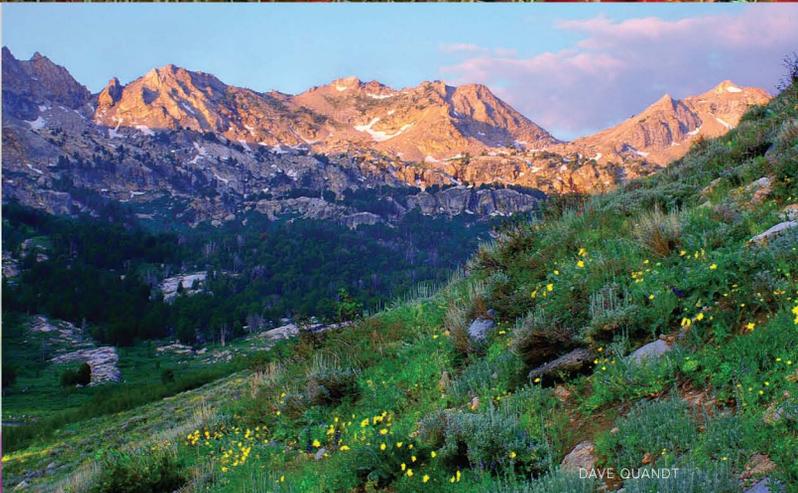
Get low and close when photographing flowers. An image can be made more interesting by including an intriguing background. Try shooting horizontally to include the scenery. Set your camera to a high aperture (also called F-stop) to get a larger depth of focus. Never overlook the obvious, though: Zoom in to get some close-ups. Photo Tips provided by William Lane.



JACKIE GOOCH



JOYCE HOLLISTER



DAVE QUANDT



Color in the desert? You better believe it:

The Silver State abounds
with beautiful blooms.

Mother Nature blessed Nevada with plenty of precipitation this winter. Generally, a wet winter in the Great Basin is always good news, but for many photographers, it means one thing: flowers.

As early as February, wildflowers come to life in Nevada's lower elevations, which for the most part leads flower lovers to Southern Nevada. "Locations that are great for wildflowers include the old mining town of Nelson, Spring Mountain Ranch State Park, Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area, Lake Mead National Recreation Area, and Valley of Fire State Park," says Las Vegas photographer William Lane. Elevations in the Spring Mountains, west of Las Vegas, reach nearly 12,000 feet, so early-summer blooms can still be discovered in the south.

That high-elevation rule is standard in Northern Nevada, where snow can stubbornly hold onto the highest passes well into June, even early July. The late spring/early summer snowmelt means impressive fields of flowers in the many valleys and numerous ranges that define Northern Nevada's mountainous landscape.

The Ruby Mountains and Lamoille Canyon, near Elko in northeast Nevada, offer easily accessible views of vast assemblies of green, yellow, and purple. "We really peak here in July," says Jackie Gooch, a resident of nearby Spring Creek. Reno photographer Ruth Anne Kocour adds, "After this wet winter, Storey County will be among the first to 'go off' when it comes to spring wildflowers. We should have an alpine spring all summer long in the Sierra Nevada. Great year for flowers—even in central Nevada."

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: A **Desert Mallow** shrub adds orange to the surrounding Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area landscape. This perennial is native to the warmest dry regions of the U.S. and Mexico. ♦ A bed of shrubby **Cinquefoil**—or **Goldfinger**—blooms in the Ruby Mountains as Liberty Pass looms in the background. Wildflowers appear as late as July in this area. ♦ An **Arizona Lupine**, just before it expires, grows along a roadside in May near Amargosa Valley in southwest Nevada. ♦ **Mountain Phlox**, also a perennial, is common in the Western states, has a pleasant aroma, and grows alongside **sagebrush**, **balsamroot**, and **lupine**. This one was sited near Wild Horse Reservoir in early June.



Wildflowers OF NEVADA

Even Nevada's agriculture industry contributes to the state's impressive canvas. These **alfalfa** fields, in Hungry Valley about 40 miles north of Reno, illuminate in shades of purple. Below, the bell-shaped blooms of the **Joshua tree** typically come out in the spring at Spring Mountain Ranch State Park, although not all of them flower annually.



ROBERT ROLLINS

★ **PHOTO TIP**

Flower photos often look more pleasing when taken in the shade without harsh sunlight. Try manually shading flowers, if necessary, or take photos on a cloudy day or just after sunset. Folding circular mesh filters provide soft filtered light. Of course, don't underestimate the value of sunlight, depending on the time of day.



WILLIAM LANE



RUTH ANNE KOCOUR



DAVID MATHERLY



ZACK THOMAS



STAN WHITE

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: While shooting petroglyphs in the Virginia Highlands of Storey County, Ruth Anne Kocour realized she had company. “In a tangle of **nettle**, I noticed a few moths foraging, then a little bee jumped into the scene,” she says. ♦ David Matherly made this lovely bright-red discovery of **Paintbrush** in the Ruby Mountains.

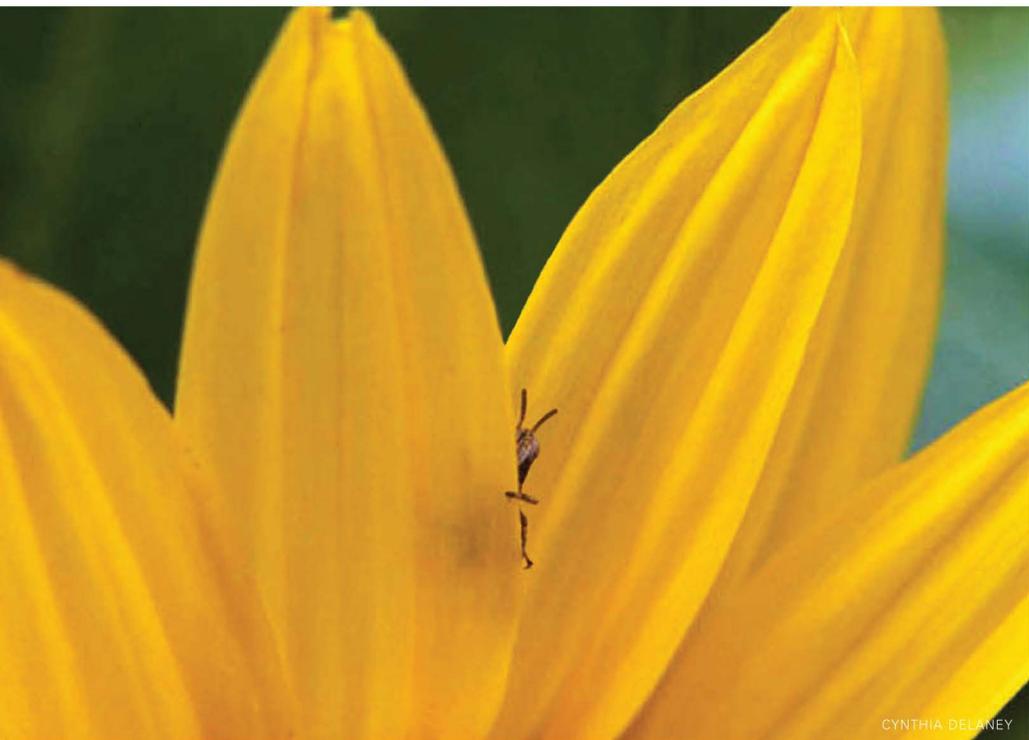
♦ **Bitterroot**, Montana’s state flower, is small and low to the ground with a pink-to-white flower. It grows on gravelly to heavy, usually dry, soil. ♦ **Paintbrush** is predominant in extreme Northern Nevada in early summer. This photo was taken in the Santa Rosa Range in Humboldt County.



WILLIAM LANE



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ROBERT ROLLINS

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: **Beavertail Cactuses** open up an alluring display of violet blooms in Valley of Fire State Park, just after sunset. ♦ This image was taken in late June in the Jarbidge Mountains. In this area, it's not uncommon to come across beautiful hillsides covered in yellows and purples—**mule's ear** and **lupine**, if you want to get technical. ♦ This white flower was photographed in June in the Santa Rosa Range, near a running a stream surrounded by willows. ♦ In Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area, purple **Four O'clock Flowers** grow next to **yucca**, a genus of perennial shrubs and trees in the agave family. ♦ Cynthia Delaney captured this grasshopper crawling on a **Wyethia**, a member of the sunflower family commonly referred to as **mule's ear** (also see photo on bottom left of opposite page).

♦ **PHOTO TIP**

Remove dead twigs, damaged leaves, and weeds from the scene—if doing so doesn't pose a threat to the environment. Wildflowers do not bloom at once. To get good photos of many varieties, visit a site several times over a multiweek period.

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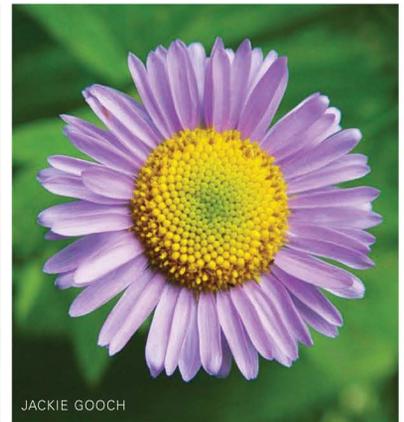
JODI ESPLIN



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Eric Wright captured this **Rocky Mountain Bee Plant** south of Caliente. The area has a “thriving riparian corridor and forests made up of everything from Joshua trees to cottonwoods,” Wright says. ♦ Commonly called **fleabane**, this purple wonder appears in Lamoille Canyon in late July.



ZACK THOMAS



JACKIE GOOCH

♦ **Mule’s ear** grows abundantly in early summer in the Santa Rosa Range, near Paradise Valley in Humboldt County. ♦ In July, near Coon Creek Summit, south of Jarbidge, this **Crimson Columbine** begs to have its portrait taken. “I usually see them in the aspen groves in the shade of the trees,” Jodi Esplin says.



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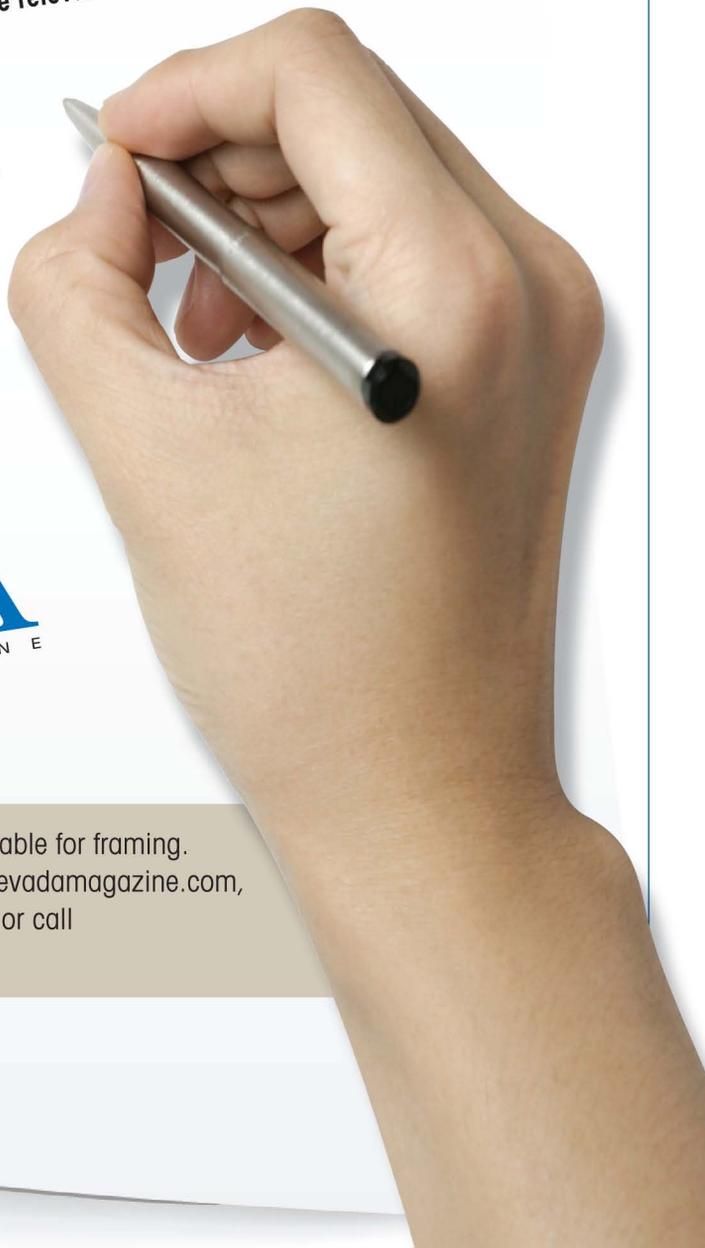
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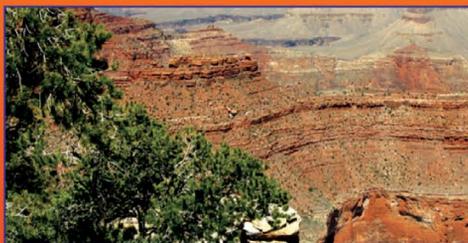
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martini time

Lively cooking show at Henderson's M Resort serves up tasty—and healthy—fare.

BY CHARLIE JOHNSTON

As I sip what is hands-down the best Bloody Mary I've ever tasted (see recipe), Tina Martini lists the nutritional benefits of the drink's ingredients—the tomato juice helps prevent heart disease and certain types of cancer, and the horseradish and red pepper flakes lower cholesterol, stimulate metabolism, and detoxify the liver. As if the delectable cocktail hasn't cemented my positive opinion of Martini, her next words seal the deal. "Anytime I can get vitamins with my booze, I'm a happy girl," she says enthusiastically.

A nutritionist, demonstration chef, and natural health guru, Martini is the host of M Resort's resident food show, "Martini Time with Tina Martini." Similar to a network-television cooking show, "Martini Time" blends meal preparation, nutrition, fitness, and wellness for an experience that is as educational as it is entertaining. "My shows are about real food and real fun," she says. "I give

practical advice, tips, and techniques to empower people."

Martini's encyclopedic knowledge of foods and their various health benefits take center stage during the 60-minute show. Guests are treated to food and beverage samples during the cooking demonstrations. The intimate studio—it seats about 50 people—makes guests a part of the show and encourages constant interaction with the chef. Martini also provides helpful tips—such as preparing difficult or time-consuming portions of recipes in advance and refrigerating them to ease the strain during final preparation—which serve as an aid for home chefs who want to dazzle friends and family without bringing undue stress onto themselves.

Following her own advice, Martini pre-cooked the tenderloin for the Beef Wellington she prepared during my visit in February. In case you wonder how the food on cooking shows actually tastes, Martini's Beef Wellington is a symphony of flavors. From the perfect, medium-

rare tenderloin to the earthy, complex duxelle and flakey puff pastry, the chef's interpretation of this classic dish is superb.

Tickets are \$39.95, \$49.95, and \$59.95 and include lunch or dinner (depending on show time) at Studio B Buffet with reserved seating in the buffet immediately following the show. ▾

M CLASSIC BLOODY MARY

INGREDIENTS:

- 32 oz. tomato juice
- 12 oz. beef broth
- 6 oz. V-8 Juice
- 6 oz. Worcestershire Sauce
- 6 oz. au jus
- 5 oz. vodka
- 1 oz. fresh-squeezed lemon juice
- 2 tbsp. Tabasco Sauce
- 1 tbsp. red pepper flakes
- 1 tbsp. cracked black pepper
- 1 tbsp. garlic pepper
- 1 tbsp. celery salt
- 1 tbsp. dried dill
- 1/4 cup freshly grated horseradish

PREPARATION:

Combine all ingredients and blend. Garnish with celery (or pickled asparagus), lime wedge, and two green olives. Serves four.

M Resort butcher Aaron Austin (left) demonstrates his techniques during Tina Martini's (right) show in February.



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Phyto Nutrition Chart

"Phyto" means plant. Phytochemicals, also known as Phytonutrients, are naturally-occurring chemicals in plants that give fruits, vegetables, grains, and legumes their medicinal, disease-preventing, and health-enhancing properties.

Phytonutrients are supercharged antioxidants. The body also produces its own antioxidants. The following is a chart to help you understand the benefits of a health and wellness program. Eating a wide variety of foods each day ensures that we receive the vitamins, minerals, and phytonutrients that we need to prevent disease.

Food Source	Benefit	Phytonutrients
Broccoli, bok choy, cabbage, cauliflower, and radishes	Prevents and treats hormone-based cancers (prostate, cervical, breast, and lung).	Indole-3-Carbinols/Sulforaphane
Wasabi, dark, leafy greens	Boosts the body's natural cancer-fighting enzymes.	Isothiocyanates
Soy, cabbage, whole grain, flaxseeds, legumes, lychee fruit, passion fruit, and some types of berries	Prevents and treats arthritis and asthma. Relieves premenstrual and menopause symptoms. Prevents osteoporosis and regulates mood.	Phytoestrogens, Genistein, Daidzein, Equol, Enterolactone, and Lignans
Fresh fruit in general (green apples and pears are highest), Aronia berry	Treats diabetes and high blood pressure.	Pectin/Fiber
Chili peppers and horseradish	Lowers cholesterol, relieves arthritis symptoms (i.e., pain and inflammation), stimulates metabolism, and helps to detoxify the liver.	Capsaicin/Isoflavonoids
Dry beans, oats, oat bran, and fruit	Regulates the pancreas and strengthens the intestines.	Soluble fiber/Lignins
Peanuts, red grapes (with seeds), cranberries, and blueberries	Lowers cholesterol, fights tumor development and progression.	Resveratrol
Isoflavonoids: Soy beans and cabbage Bioflavonoids: Citrus, tea, red wine, apricots, blackberries, black currants, broccoli, camucamu, cantaloupes, cherries, bilberry, grapefruits, and grapes	Isoflavonoids are hormone regulators that protect the receptors. Bioflavonoids lower cholesterol and strengthen the cardiovascular system.	Isoflavonoids/Bioflavonoids
Tomatoes, watermelon, pink grapefruit, apricots, pomegranate, strawberries, and raspberries contain the highest amount of Ellagic Acid	Prevents and treats hormone-based cancer, prevents heart disease. Reduces sun damage 40%.	Lycopene/Ellagic Acid
Onions, garlic, shallots, leeks, and chives	Inhibits the growth of cancer cells, protects against stomach and colorectal cancer, and lowers cholesterol.	Allium compounds
Citrus fruit (pulp, white pith, and membranes contain the highest amount of Limonene)	Potent tumor fighter, inhibits blood clots, has antiinflammatory properties.	Limonene
Acai, evening primrose, borage, and black currants. Cold water fish, i.e., salmon	Stabilizes connective tissue in the skin, promoting a firm plump complexion as well as protecting the arteries.	Dimethylaminorthanel/Omega-3-fatty acids
Apples, nuts, black and green tea, dark chocolate, onions, and raspberries	Prevents stroke, protects arteries from plaque buildup. Polyphenols protect against cholesterol damage and prevent blood clots.	Catechins/Polyphenols
Acai, blueberries, cherries, cranberries, raspberries, prunes, strawberries, red and purple concord grapes, pomegranate, and purple cabbage	Prevents age-related mental decline, treats arthritis symptoms (inflammation, pain), prevents gout. Strengthens cardiovascular system, prevents heart disease and cancer.	Anthocyanins
Onions, broccoli, apples, grape juice, red wine, and tea	Prevents clotting disorders, reduces injury/stress-related trauma, prevents cancer of the gastrointestinal tract.	Quercetin
Kale, collards, spinach, beets and turnip greens/green veggies, wolfberry, kiwi, citrus, and eggs	Filters the sun's UV rays. Prevents macular degeneration.	Lutein/Zeaxanthin

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702-678-5600

(1-2)

PSCA K&N Filters
Racin' for Jason
Nationals Qualifying
& Eliminations

Las Vegas Motor
Speedway
lvms.com
800-644-4444

(1-2)

Spring Jamboree

Boulder City
Bicentennial Park
springjamboree.com
702-293-2034

(1-2)

The X Rides

Cycling event
Rachel
bikethestwest.com
800-565-2704

(1-3)

Tony Orlando

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

(1-8)

Wildfire Awareness
Week

Mt. Charleston,
Lincoln County,
Moapa, & Overton
livingwithfire.info
775-856-8403

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SUNDAY

Eco-Elegant
Bridal Affair

Springs Preserve
springspreserve.org
702-822-7700

Jazz Combos
Concert

College of Southern
Nevada
csn.edu/pac
702-651-5483

FARMERS' MARKETS

Alamo

Fri., July 1-Sept. 27
LDS Church Park
nevadagrown.com
775-726-3109

Caliente

Fri., May 7-Oct. 29
360 Lincoln St.
nevadagrown.com
775-726-3109

Clark County
Backyard Farmers'
Market

Winchester Cultural
Center
3 times/yr.
accessclarkcounty.com/parks
702-455-7340

Henderson

Water St., Thurs.
hendersonfarmersmarket.com
702-579-9661

Las Vegas

Gardens Park, Tues.
Bruce Trent
Park, Wed.
Fremont Street, Fri.
lasvegasfarmersmarket.com
702-562-2676

Tonopah

Pocket Park
Mon., July 5-Oct. 4
localharvest.org
775-482-3118

**Mouse's Tank/
Petro Hike**

Valley of Fire State Park
parks.nv.gov
702-397-2088

**United Way
Cinco de Mayo**

Pahrump
Petra Park
pahumpchamber.com
775-727-5800

(2,14)

**Hop on the Bird
Mobile**

Henderson
Bird Viewing Preserve
hendersonlive.com
702-267-4180

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Air Force Jazz Band

Fremont Street
Experience
vegsexperience.com
702-678-5600

Orchestra in Concert

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Nevada
csn.edu/pac
702-651-5483

D 4

Concert Band

College of Southern
Nevada
csn.edu/pac
702-651-5483

TMC Sports Boxing

Cashman Center
visitlasvegas.com
818-626-4512

(4-5)

**Helldorado Shootout
Charity Golf
Tournament**

Sienna Golf Course
elkshelldorado.com
702-258-3557

(4-9)

Connie Stevens

Laughlin
Riverside
riversideresort.com
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Big Bands

College of Southern
Nevada
csn.edu/pac
702-651-5483

(5,13)

Baseball Seminar

Henderson
Club Sport Green Valley
hendersonlive.com
702-612-3258

(5-9)

San Gennaro Feast

Italian festival
Silverton
sangennarofeast.com
702-227-0295

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Iration

Hard Rock
hardrockhotel.com
800-HRD-ROCK

Spring Concert

College of Southern
Nevada
csn.edu/pac
702-651-5483

(6-9)

**Punk Rock Bowling
& Music Festival**

Henderson
Sunset Station
sunsetstation.com
702-547-7777

(6-9)

Vegas Uncork'd

Culinary festival
vegasuncorked.com
877-884-8993

(6-12)

**Girls Night:
The Musical**

MGM Grand
mgmgrand.com
800-929-1111

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Flyleaf

Hard Rock
hardrockhotel.com
800-HRD-ROCK

Geico MiniMotoSX

The Orleans
orleansarena.com
800-675-3267

Las Vegas

Youth Orchestra
Henderson
Henderson Pavilion
lvyo.org
702-267-2171

Randy Anderson Band

Cannery
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

**Thrice & Manchester
Orchestra**

House of Blues
houseofblues.com
877-632-7400

(7-8)

**Cars, Stars, &
Guitars Festival**

North Las Vegas
Aliante Casino
carsstarsguitars.com
702-374-1975

(7-8)

**New Kids
on the Block**

The Pearl Concert
Theater
palms.com
800-745-3000

(7-8)

Relay for Life

Boulder City
Boulder City High School
relayforlife.org
702-374-5977

(7-8)

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Finals Rodeo**

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southpointevents
center.com
866-796-7111

(7-9)

Four Tops

The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
800-675-3267

(7-23)

**"I Ought to Be
in Pictures"**

Las Vegas Little Theatre
lvlt.org
702-363-7996

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SATURDAY**Eco-Art:****Mother's Day**

Springs Preserve
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702-822-7700

Gabriel Iglesias

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Star of the Desert Arena
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Masterworks V

Las Vegas Philharmonic
Artemus W. Ham
Concert Hall
lvphil.com
702-258-5438

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A Tribe of Artists:**Costumes and****Culture at****Burning Man**

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May 17-July 9
nac.nevadaculture.org
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Dark Sun. & Mon.
harmontheater.com
702-836-0836

"American Storm"

Male revue
Variety Theater
Fri. & Sat.
varietytheater.com
866-932-1818

"American**Superstars"**

Stratosphere
Dark Thurs.
stratospherehotel.com
800-99-TOWER

Anthony Cools

Paris Las Vegas
Dark Mon. & Wed.
parislasvegas.com
877-374-7469

ArtBeat

Henderson
Events Plaza
Fri.
hendersonlive.com
702-267-2171

"Barbra and Frank:**The Concert That****Never Was"**

Riviera
Dark Fri. & Sat.
rivierahotel.com
877-892-7469

Barry Manilow

Paris Las Vegas
May 1-2, 7-9,
13-15, 28-30
June 4-6
manilowparis.com
800-745-3000

"The Beatles LOVE,"**by Cirque du Soleil**

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

"Bite"

Stratosphere

Dark Thurs.
stratospherehotel.com
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Blue Man Group

The Venetian
Nightly
venetian.com
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"TBA"**

Laura Henkel Fine Art
June 3-July 9
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Dark Tues.
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22-23, 26-27, 29-30
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Male revue
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Nightly
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Topless revue
Riviera
Dark Tues.
rivierahotel.com
877-892-7469

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Topless revue
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Dark Tues. & May 9
mgmgrand.com
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David Copperfield
MGM Grand
May 24-June 16
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"Defending the Caveman"
Excalibur
Daily
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The Dirty Joke Show
Hooters
Mon.-Thurs.
hooterslv.com
702-739-9000

"Disney's The Lion King"
Mandalay Bay
Dark Fri.
mandalaybay.com
877-632-7000

Donn Arden's "Jubilee!"
Topless revue
Bally's Las Vegas
Dark Fri.
ballyslasvegas.com
800-237-SHOW

Donny & Marie Osmond
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Dark Sun. & Mon.
flamingolasvegas.com
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The Fab
Beatles tribute
Eastside Cannery
Tues.
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5470

"Fab Four Live"
Beatles tribute
Variety Theater
Fri.-Wed.
varietytheater.com
866-932-1818

"Fantasy"
Topless revue
Luxor
Nightly
luxor.com
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Frank Caliendo
Monte Carlo
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Frank Marino's "Divas Las Vegas"
Imperial Palace
Dark Fri.
imperialpalace.com
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MonteLago
Village Resort
montelagovillage.com
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Garth Brooks
Wynn Las Vegas
June 25-27
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702-770-7469

George Wallace
Flamingo Las Vegas
Dark Sun. & Mon.
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800-221-7299

Gordie Brown
Golden Nugget
Las Vegas
Dark Sun. & Mon.
goldennugget.com
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Human Nature
Australian Motown
Imperial Palace
Dark Fri.
imperialpalace.com
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Cannery
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Monster Energy Supercross Finals
Sam Boyd Stadium
unlvtickets.com
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Morelli Open House
Morelli House
jllv.org
702-822-6536

Mother's Day Weekend Special
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Rainbow Vista Hike
Valley of Fire State Park
parks.nv.gov
702-397-2088

State Parks 75th-Anniversary Celebration
Kershaw-Ryan
State Park
parks.nv.gov
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(8, 22) American Bass Fishing Contest
Henderson
Callville Bay
visitbouldercity.com
928-681-3449

(8-9) ArtFest of Henderson
Henderson
Water Street District
888artfest.com/
henderson
702-267-2171

(8-9) FLW Series
Henderson
Events Plaza
flwoutdoors.com
270-252-1000

(8-9) Ranch Horse Versatility Clinic
Alamo
Whipple Ranch
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(8-9) Steve March Torme
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(8-9) Wicked HP Series
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9 SUNDAY

Amateur National Arenacross Championships
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Henderson
Loews Lake Las Vegas
xcellperformance
group.com
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Bullet For My Valentine
House of Blues
houseofblues.com
877-632-7400

(12, 19) Yellow Brick Road
Suncoast
suncoastcasino.com
702-636-7075

(12-13) "American Storm"
Male revue
Laughlin
Riverside
riversideresort.com
800-227-3849 x616

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"Coversaciones con Mama"
Cine en El Centro
film series
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Community/Senior Center
lasvegasparksandrec.com
702-229-1515

(13-16) Helldorado Days
Carnival, rodeo, etc.
elkshelldorado.com
702-258-3557

(13-16) The Polly Staffle Grindhouse Film Festival
Sci-Fi Center

grindhousefest.polly
staffle.com
702-372-3581

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Echoes of the '60s
Cannery
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Girls Wanna Have Fun Bunco Night
Pahrump
Bob Ruud
Community Center
pahrumphchamber.com
775-727-5800

(14-15) Flower Power— Music of the '60s
Mesquite
Community Theatre
mesquitenv.com
702-346-2787

(14-15) Kenny Chesney
Hard Rock
hardrockhotel.com
800-HRD-ROCK

(14-15) Las Vegas Astronomical Society Stargazing
Cathedral Gorge
State Park
parks.nv.gov
775-726-4460

(14-15) Tim Conway & Friends
Las Vegas Hilton
lvhilton.com
702-732-5755

(14-16) Air Combat USA
North Las Vegas Airport
aircombat.com
800-522-7590

15 SATURDAY

Aflac Iron Gril Women's Triathlon
Henderson
Loews Lake Las Vegas
loewshotels.com
702-567-6000

America
Cannery
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

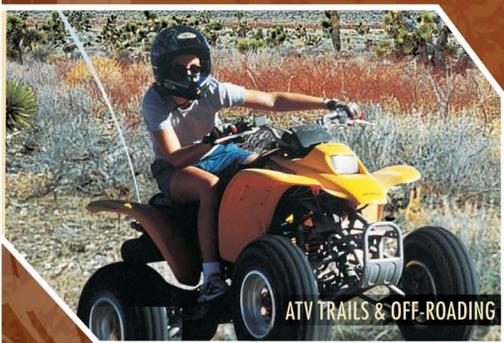


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Jazz on the Lake
Henderson
MonteLago
Village Resort
Sat., thru Oct.
montelagovillage.com
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Jay Leno
The Mirage
May 14-15
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mirage.com
800-963-9634

Joan Rivers Live
The Venetian
July 8-10, 15-17
venetian.com
866-641-7469

John Edward
Flamingo Las Vegas
May 8
flamingolasvegas.com
800-221-7299

“Jersey Boys”
The Palazzo
Dark Wed.
palazzolasvegas.com
866-641-7469

“KÀ”
by Cirque du Soleil
MGM Grand
Dark Sun. & Mon.
mgmgrand.com
866-774-7117

Lance Burton
Monte Carlo
Dark Sun. & Mon.
montecarlo.com
702-730-7160

Larry G Jones:
Man of 1,002 Voices
Royal Resort
Sat. & Mon.
royalhotelvegas.com
702-735-6117

Las Vegas 51s
Triple-A baseball
Cashman Field
(home dates only)
May 1-2, 11-18, 28-31
June 1-4, 10-13, 22-25
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.
harrahaslasvegas.com
702-369-5111

Lewis Black
The Mirage
May 29-30
mirage.com
800-963-9634

“Liberace & Me”
Liberace Museum
Tues., Wed., & Sat.
liberace.org
702-798-5595

“Louie Anderson: Larger Than Life”
Excalibur
Dark Fri. & Sat.
excalibur.com
702-597-7600

The Mac King Comedy Magic Show
Harrah’s Las Vegas
Dark Sun. & Mon.
harrahaslasvegas.com
702-369-5222

“The Magic & Tigers of Rick Thomas”
Sahara
Dark Mon.
saharavegas.com
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Marc Savard—Comedy Hypnosis
Variety Theater
Dark Fri.
varietytheater.com
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“Marriage Can Be Murder”
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BC’s Got Talent
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Cap’n Dave & “Dinos of the Southwest Region”
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702-397-2088

Earth, Wind, & Fire
Laughlin
Harrah’s
harrahaslaughlin.com
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“Guy Movies”
Artemus W. Ham
Concert Hall
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Health/Business Expo
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Experience
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Hummingbird How To
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Bird Viewing Preserve
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702-267-4180

Wine Walk at The Village
Henderson
Lake Las Vegas
winewalklv.com
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(15, 22)
Giant Garage Sale
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Recreation Center
hendersonlive.com
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Kids Artistic Revue Dance Competition
Cashman Center
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(15-16)
Short Line Express Jr. Dragster Series
Las Vegas Motor
Speedway
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(15-16)
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The Orleans
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Cheech & Chong: Get It Legal
The Mirage
mirage.com
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(21-22)
Relay for Life Mesquite
Virgin Valley
High School
relayforlife.org
702-443-6704

(21-22)
Tom Papa
The Orleans
orleanscasino.com
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(21-23)
HomeShow Extravaganza
Cashman Center
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22 SATURDAY

Armenian National Dances
Judy Bayley Theatre
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As I Lay Dying
House of Blues
houseofblues.com
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Carrie Underwood
The Orleans
orleansarena.com
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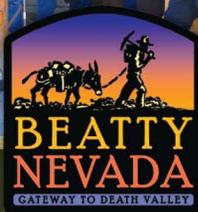
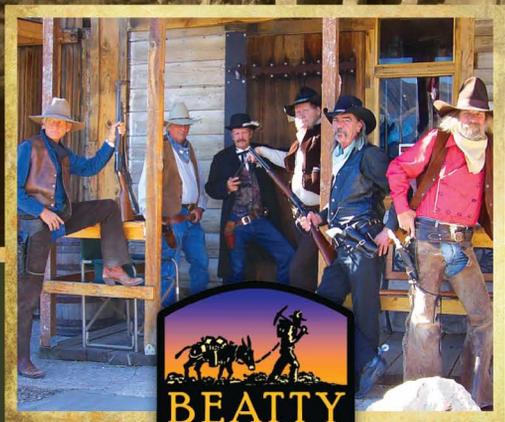
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ballyslasvegas.com
800-237-7469

Teen Idols

Cannery
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

23 SUNDAY

Piano Festival Finale

College of Southern Nevada
csn.edu/pac
702-651-5483

24

Enrique Bunbury

House of Blues
houseofblues.com
877-632-7400

25

World Dominoes Championship

Las Vegas Hilton
visitlasvegas.com
800-732-7117

26

Barbara Wilson Gallery Exhibit Reception

Henderson
Multigenerational Center
hendersonlive.com
702-267-2171

(26-30)

Craig Shoemaker

Laughlin
Riverside
riversideresort.com
800-227-3849 x616

(26-30)

Marshal Reign

Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5470

27

Down & Derby

Palms
Rain Nightclub
downandderby.org
702-942-6832

28

Angels & Airwaves

Hard Rock
hardrockhotel.com
800-HRD-ROCK

Guitars & Saxes

Boulder Station
boulderstation.com
866-264-1818

Janie Fricke

Henderson
Sunset Station
sunsetstation.com
702-547-7777

Ronnie Milsap

Eastside Cannery
eastsidecannery.com
702-856-5470

(28-30)

Air Supply

The Orleans
orleansarena.com
800-675-3267

(28-30)

Coin, Currency, Jewelry, & Stamp Expo

Imperial Palace
shows.bickinternational.com
818-997-6496

(28-30)

Rock 'n' Ribs Festival

Laughlin
Colorado Belle
coloradobelle.com
877-460-0777

(28-30)

UFO Seminar

Alamo
Senior Center
freewebs.com/alamo-ufoconference
775-726-8100

(28-30)

\$100,000 Craps Tournament

Las Vegas Hilton
lvhilton.com
702-732-5755

(28-31)

Jim Butler Days

Tonopah
tonopahnevada.com
775-482-3558

29

SATURDAY

Bunko For Charity

Morelli House
jllv.org
702-822-6536

Chelsea Handler

Caesars Palace
caesarspalace.com
800-745-3000

KKLZ Summer Of Fun Kickoff

Cannery
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Memorial Service For Veterans

Mesquite
Sunset Station
Veterans Memorial Park
mesquitenv.com
702-346-2543

Smokey Robinson

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

Star Wars: In Concert

The Orleans
orleansarena.com
702-284-7777

New Vista Community Wine Walk

Town Square Las Vegas
winewalklv.com
702-269-5000

(29-30)

Almost Elton John

Suncoast
suncoastcasino.com
877-677-7111

(29-30)

Fly-Fishing Demonstration

Beaver Dam State Park
parks.nv.gov
775-726-4460

(29-31)

Lincoln County Homecoming

Caliente
lincolncountynevada.com
775-726-8100

30 SUNDAY

Horseshoe & Volleyball Tournaments

Kershaw-Ryan State Park
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Russell Peters

Hard Rock
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JUNE

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(3-5)

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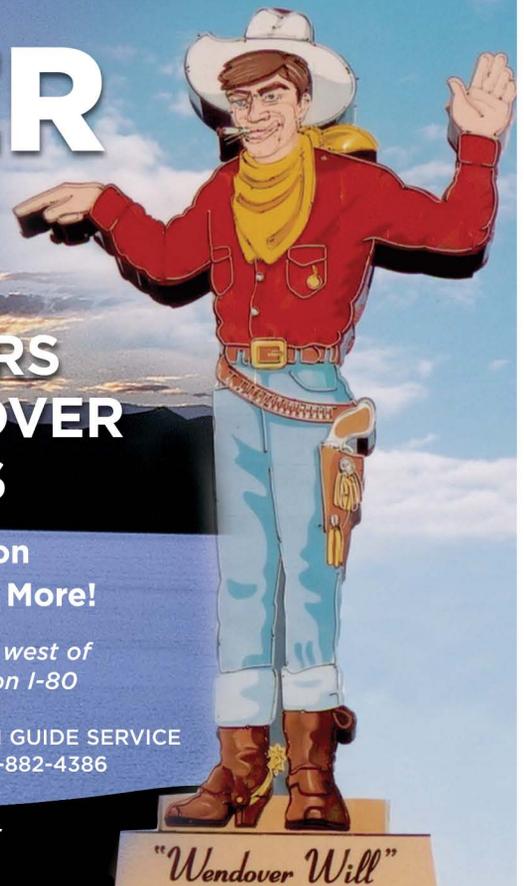
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Purple Reign: The Ultimate Prince Tribute Show

Hooters
Fri.-Sun.
hooterscasinohotel.com
702-739-9000

"The Rat Pack is Back"

Plaza Hotel
Nightly
plazahotelcasino.com
800-634-6575

Ray Romano & Kevin James

The Mirage
May 7-8
mirage.com
800-963-9634

Rita Rudner

Harrah's Las Vegas
May 1, 3, 5
harrahslasvegas.com
800-392-9002

"RockStar The Tribute"

Harmon Theater
Nightly
harmontheater.com
702-836-0836

Ron White

The Mirage
June 11-12
mirage.com
800-963-9634

"Sandy Hackett's Rat Pack Show"

Sahara
Nightly
saharavegas.com
702-737-2515

"Sin City Bad Girls"

Topless revue
Las Vegas Hilton
Dark Tues.
lvhilton.com
702-732-5755

Supernatural Santana—A Trip Through the Hits

Hard Rock
May 1-2
supernaturalsantana.com
702-693-5583

Terry Fator

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

Third Thursday ARTsWALK

Henderson
Water Street District
hendersonlive.com
702-267-1515

"Thunder From Down Under"

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

"Tony n' Tina's Wedding"

Variety Theater
Nightly
varietytheater.com
866-932-1818

"Tournament of Kings"

Excalibur
Dark Tues.
excalibur.com
702-597-7600

Train Rides

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

"V the Ultimate Variety Show"

Variety Theater
Nightly
varietytheater.com
866-932-1818

Vinnie Favorito

Flamingo Las Vegas
Nightly
flamingolasvegas.com
800-221-7299

"Viva ELVIS" by Cirque du Soleil

Aria Las Vegas
Dark Wed. & Thurs.
arialasvegas.com
877-25-ELVIS

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Topless revue
Flamingo Las Vegas
Nightly
flamingolasvegas.com
800-221-7299

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

(3-6) National Barrel Horse Association "Super Show" & Western Gift Show

South Point
southpointeventscenr.com
866-796-7111

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Crosby, Stills, & Nash

Hard Rock
hardrockhotel.com
800-HRD-ROCK

Gin Blossoms

Hard Rock
hardrockhotel.com
800-HRD-ROCK

Henderson Symphony Orchestra

Henderson
Events Plaza
hsorch.org
702-267-2171

Strange Brew

Cannery
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

(4-6)

Vegas Cruise

Fremont Street
Experience
702-678-5600
vegascruise.com

(4-6, 10-13)

"Jack and the Beanstalk"

Charleston Heights
Arts Center
rainbowcompany.info
702-229-6383

5

SATURDAY

Preserving Herbs

Springs Preserve
springspreserve.org
702-822-7700

Reba McEntire

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

Red Seven Vegas Am Jam Series

Freedom Skatepark
vegasamjam.com
888-919-7337

Rotary Golf Tournament

Pahrump
Mountain Falls Golf Club
pahumpchamber.com
775-727-5800

Tracy Morgan

Hard Rock
hardrockhotel.com
800-HRD-ROCK

War

Cannery
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

(5-6)

Lincoln County Trails Day

Caliente
lincolncountynevada.com
775-726-8100

8

(8-13)

Greg London ICONMAN

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

10

The World's Sexiest Party

Playboy 50th-anniversary
celebration
Palms
palms.com
702-942-7777

11

Goodfellas

Cannery
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Pepper

Hard Rock
hardrockhotel.com
800-HRD-ROCK

(11-13)

Coin, Currency, Jewelry, & Stamp Expo

Laughlin
River Palms
shows.bickinternational.com
818-997-6496

(11-13)

World Tea Expo

Las Vegas
Convention Center

worldteaexpo.com
212-221-7687

(11-13, 15-20)

Trent Carlini

Laughlin
Riverside
riversideresort.com
800-227-3849

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SATURDAY

Bobby Vinton

Cannery
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Eco-Art: Summer Fun

Springs Preserve
springspreserve.org
702-822-7700

Free Fishing Day

Statewide
ndow.org
775-688-1500

Kids Fishing Derby

Echo Canyon State Park
parks.nv.gov
775-962-5102

Make a Splash with Henderson Libraries

Henderson
Henderson Pavilion
hendersonlive.com
702-492-6581

SushiSkool

Henderson
Loews Lake Las Vegas
loewshotels.com
702-567-6000

(12-13)

Clinton Anderson "Wahl Walkabout Tour"

South Point
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(12-13)

Crossroads of the West Gun Show

Cashman Center
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(14-18)

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& partial body
specimens
Luxor
Daily
luxor.com
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Henderson
The District at
Green Valley Ranch
Daily
thedistrictatgvr.com
702-564-8595

CSI: The Experience

MGM Grand
Daily
mgmgrand.com
702-891-1111

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Dealers impersonate
stars
Imperial Palace
Daily
imperialpalace.com
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Riverside Resort
Daily
riversideresort.com
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Paris Las Vegas
Daily
parislasvegas.com
877-374-7469

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4-D ride, daily
excalibur.com
877-750-5464

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Bellagio
Daily
bellagio.com
702-693-7111

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goldwellmuseum.org
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MGM Grand
Daily
mgmgrand.com
877-880-0880

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Daily
mtvegas.com
702-862-7800

Mirage Volcano

The Mirage
Daily
mirage.com
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New York-New York
Daily
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Luxor
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luxor.com
800-557-7428

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TMC Sports Boxing

Cashman Center
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818-626-4512

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Lincoln County Trails Coalition Meeting

Caliente
BLM office
e-mail: karen_mcadams-kunze@blm.gov
775-962-5181

17

(17-19)

\$100,000 Three-Card Poker Tournament

Las Vegas Hilton
lvhilton.com
702-732-5755

18

Earl & The Boogieman Band

Cannery
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

The Original Wailers

Hard Rock
hardrockhotel.com
800-HRD-ROCK

R n R

Featuring Rick Braun & Richard Elliot

North Las Vegas
Aliante
aliantecasino.com
877-477-7627

Sting w/ Royal Philharmonic Concert Orchestra

MGM Grand
mgmgrand.com
800-745-3000

(18-19)

PSCA MagnaFuel Summer Nationals

Las Vegas Motor
Speedway
lvms.com
800-644-4444

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SATURDAY

Blues, Brews, & BBQ

in Tuscany Kitchen
Epicurean
Epicenter series
Cannery
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

Father's Day BBQ

Bellagio
bellagio.com
866-406-7117

Father's Day Doubleheader

Las Vegas
Motor Speedway
lvms.com
800-644-4444

Junefest

South Point
southpointeventscenter.com
866-796-7111

The Whispers & Stephanie Mills

Las Vegas Hilton
lvhilton.com
702-732-5755

20

SUNDAY

(20-23)

National Peanut Pals Convention

Boulder Station
peanutpals.org
610-703-7874

23

Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce Business Expo

Cashman Center
visitlasvegas.com
702-641-5822

(23-26)

The Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club Convention

South Point
ccgtcc.com
702-255-6999

24

"Adiós con el Corazon"

Cine en El Centro

film series
East Las Vegas
Community/Senior Center
lasvegasparksandrec.com
702-229-1515

25

(25-26)

Brad Garrett

The Mirage
mirage.com
800-963-9634

(25-27)

Gold Rush Peruvian Horse Classic X

South Point
southpointeventscenter.com
866-796-7111

26

SATURDAY

Joe Nichols

Santa Fe Station
santafestationlasvegas.com
866-264-1818

The Spinners

Cannery
cannerycasinos.com
702-507-5757

28

(28-July 2)

Eco Arts & Crafts Camp

Springs Preserve
springspreserve.org
702-822-7786

29

(29-July 4)

Ty Herndon

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Riverside
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carsonfarmersmarket.com
775-746-5024
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775-882-6741

Dayton

Community
Roots Nursery
Thurs., June 25-Sept.
nevadagrown.com
775-250-7884

Ely

400 Ely St.
Sat., Aug. 15-Sept. 19
elyrenaissance.com
775-289-8364

Eureka

Gold St.
Thurs., July-Sept.
nevadagrown.com
775-237-5326

Fallon

Churchill County
Fairgrounds
Tues., June 16-
Aug. 25
775-427-3428
Maine St.
Sat., June 12-Sept. 4
775-423-1100
nevadagrown.com

Gardnerville

Lampe Park
Wed., June 3-Sept. 16
douglascountynv.gov
775-782-9828

Lovelock

8th & Cornell Street
Fri. & Sat., July-Oct.
nevadagrown.com
775-273-0604

Minden

Esmeralda Ave.
Tues., June 2-Sept.
nevadagrown.com
775-782-2444

Reno

Somerset
Town Square
Wed., June-Aug.
somerset.com
775-787-4500 x.311
West Street
Sun., June 14-Sept. 13
renoweststreetmarket.com
775-334-2077

Silver Springs

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nevadagrown.com
775-577-2069

South Lake Tahoe

American Legion
Hall Parking Lot
Tues., June 8-Oct. 12
eldorado
farmersmarket.com
530-622-1900

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Tues., June 2-Sept. 15
775-358-0925
nevadagrown.com
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Thurs.,
June 11-Aug. 20
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sparksrec.com
775-353-2291

Winnemucca

Thurs., July-Sept.
nevadagrown.com
775-623-8413

(Apr. 16-May 2)
"GREASE"

Redfield Theatre
unr.edu/nevadarep
800-225-2277

(Apr. 29-May 2)

**Genoa Cowboy
Poetry & Music
Festival**

Genoa
genoacowboyleftival.com
775-781-0150

(Apr. 29-May 2)

**Nevada Junior
Livestock Show**

Reno-Sparks Livestock
Events Center
agri.nevada.gov
775-784-6206

(Apr. 30-May 2)

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Roping & Stock Horse
Contest**

Reno-Sparks Livestock
Events Center
thecalifornios.com
530-896-9566

MAY

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SATURDAY

**The Amazing Kreskin
& Cash'd Out**

Crystal Bay
Crystal Bay Casino
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775-831-0512



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"The Book Of Liz"

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bruka.org
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silverlegacyreno.com
800-687-8733

**Fat Boy Bicycle
Poker Run**

Sparks
O'Skis Pub & Grille
fatboybiking.com

Jonny Lang

Stateline
South Shore Room
southshoreroom.com
800-786-8208

**"The Laramie
Project"**

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

New Boyz

Knitting Factory
re.knittingfactory.com
775-323-5648

Piñatas & Predators

Animal Ark
animalark.org
1-775-970-3431

Ronnie Milsap

West Wendover
Peppermill
wendoverfun.com
800-537-0207

(1-2)

Chihuahua Races

Sparks
Bully's #3
bullyssportsbar.com
775-825-4333

(1-2)

"Swan Lake"

A.V.A. Ballet Theatre
Pioneer Center
avaballet.com
775-762-5165

(1-8)

**Wildfire Awareness
Week**

Reno, Carson City,
Genoa, & Topaz Ranch
livingwithfire.info
775-856-8403

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SUNDAY

**Courthouse Museum
Opening Day**

Genoa
historicnevada.org
775-782-2555

**Rock-n-River
Marathon
& Half Marathon
Festival**

Downtown Reno
rock-n-riverhalfmarathon.com

3

**Thrice & Manchester
Orchestra**

Knitting Factory
re.knittingfactory.com
775-323-5648

4

Conan O'Brien

Grand Sierra
grandsierraresort.com
800-648-3568

5

**NorCal Miniature
Horse Show**

Reno-Sparks Livestock
Events Center
visitrenotahoe.com
607-868-3938

6

Mary Magdalan

The Underground
clubunderground-reno.com
775-786-2582

(6-9)

"Five Women Wearing the Same Dress"

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

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Charity Raft Race

Crissy Caughlin Park
renoriverfestival.com
775-784-9400 x.119

Chris Proctor

House concert
nevadabluegrass
project.org
775-348-4692

Iration

The Underground
clubunderground-reno.com
775-786-2582

Merle Haggard

West Wendover
Peppermill
wendoverfun.com
800-537-0207

Pam Huston Prose Reading

Fallon
Oats Park Art Center
churchillarts.org
775-423-1440

(7, 9)

"An Evening with Hope Briggs"

Nevada Opera
Pioneer Center
nevadaopera.org
775-786-4046

(7-8)

Lily Tomlin

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

(7-8)

Sammy Hagar & The Wabos

Stateline
South Shore Room
southshoreroom.com
800-786-8208

(7-8)

Tanya Tucker

Jackpot
Cactus Petes
ameristar.com
800-432-0051

(7-9)

Reno River Festival

Wingfield Park

renoriverfestival.com
775-784-9400 x.119

(7-9, 14-16)

"The Sound of Music"

Carson City
Community Center
visitcarsoncity.com
775-445-4249

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SATURDAY

An Afternoon of Fashions: Tour & Tea

National Automobile
Museum
automuseum.org
775-333-9300

Blessing of the Bikes Poker Run

Elko
elkocva.com
775-744-4570

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moananursery.com
775-825-0602

Mother's Day Brunch Aboard M.S. Dixie II

Zephyr Cove
Zephyr Cove Resort
zephyrcove.com
800-23-TAHOE

Night Ranger

West Wendover
Peppermill
wendoverfun.com
800-537-0207

Run Amuck 5K Run

Wingfield Park
renoriverfestival.com
775-784-9400 x.119

\$5,000 Beer Pong Challenge

Club Cal Neva
clubcalneva.com
877-777-7303

(8,13-16)

60th Annual Armed Forces Celebration

Hawthorne
mineralcountychamber.com
775-316-0262

(8-9)

Cinco de Mayo Festival

Reno/Sparks
nhsreno.org
775-826-1818

(8-9)

Home Business Expo

Elko
elkocva.com
775-738-7135

(8-9)

Jackpot of Gems Show

Reno/Sparks Livestock
Events Center
renorockhounds.com
775-356-8820

(8-9)

Mother's Day Steam-Up

Carson City
Nevada State
Railroad Museum
nevadaculture.org
775-687-6953 x.233

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SUNDAY

Arts in Bloom

Sparks
Sparks Marina Park
cityofsparks.us
775-353-2291

Mastodon

Knitting Factory
re.knittingfactory.com
775-323-5648

McKeen Motor Car Unveiling

Carson City
Nevada State
Railroad Museum
nevadaculture.org
775-687-4341

Mother's Day B&B Open House & Victorian Home Tour

Virginia City
visitvirginiacitynv.com
800-718-7587

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Groundation

Knitting Factory
re.knittingfactory.com
775-323-5648

Mile High Jazz Band

Carson City
Comma Coffee
milehighjazz.com
775-883-4154

★ ONGOING

The Baroque World of Fernando Botero

Nevada Museum
of Art
May 1-July 25
nevadaart.org
775-329-3333

Beer Pong @ The Neva

Club Cal Neva
Fri. & Sat.
clubcalneva.com
775-954-4185

Behind-the-Scenes Tours In Natural History

Carson City
Nevada State
Museum
Once a month
nevadaculture.org
775-687-4810 x.237

"Bounce"

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

"Carnival Cabaret"

Stateline
Horizon
Dark Mon. & Tues.
horizoncasino.com
800-683-8266

Catch a Rising Star Comedy Club

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

Coin Press No. 1 Demonstration

Carson City
Nevada State
Museum
Last Fri. of each month
nevadaculture.org
775-687-4810 x.237

Cribbage Tournament

Amendment 21
Thurs.
theamendment21.com
775-786-0808

Dangberg Home Ranch Historic Park Tours

Minden
Wed.-Sun., thru Dec. 12
parks.nv.gov
775-783-9417

DBA Wine Walk

Elko
Second Sat. of
each month
elkocva.com
775-738-3136

Divers Objects

Fallon
Oats Park Art Center
Thru May 15
churchillarts.org
775-423-1440

Downtown Beer Crawl

Carson City
Third Sat. of
each month
visitcarsoncity.com
775-883-2211

Downtown Wine Walk

Carson City
First Sat. of
each month
visitcarsoncity.com
775-883-2211

Elaine Jason

Fallon
Oats Park Art Center
May 22-Aug. 22
churchillarts.org
775-423-1440

Even in Africa

National Automobile
Museum
Thru Jan. 5, 2012
automuseum.org
775-333-9300

First Thursday

Nevada Museum
of Art
nevadaart.org
775-329-3333

Fleischmann Planetarium & Science Center

Exhibits & films
University of
Nevada, Reno
planetarium.unr.edu
775-784-4812

Florida Cattle Ranching: Five Centuries of Tradition

Elko
Western Folklife Center
Thru July 24
westernfolklife.org
775-778-9695

★ ONGOING *continued*

Fossil Shelter Tour

Berlin-Ichthyosaur
State Park

Daily
parks.nv.gov
775-964-2440

**Fourth Ward School's
"Parties of the Year"**

Virginia City &
other locations
Various dates
fourthwardschool.org
775-847-0975

**Frances Humphrey
Lecture Series**

Carson City
Nevada State Museum
Once a month
nevadaculture.org
775-687-8323

"Get Hypnotized!"

Pioneer Underground
Fri. & Sat.
renohypnotist.com
775-324-7474

Ghost Walking Tour

Carson City
Firkin & Fox
Last Sat. of each month
visitcarsoncity.com
775-687-7410

**"The Great American
Trailer Park Musical"**

Brüka Theatre
May 14-16, 20-22, 27-29
June 3-5, 10-13, 17-19
bruka.org
775-323-3221

Guided Tours

Nevada Museum
of Art
Thurs., Sat., & Sun.
*Spanish-language
tours by appt.
nevadaart.org
775-329-3333

Hidden Cave Tour

Fallon
Churchill County
Museum (starts)
Second & fourth Sat.
ccmuseum.org
775-423-3677

Historical Lecture

Gardnerville
Carson Valley
Museum &
Cultural Center
Second Thurs.
of each month

historicnevada.org
775-782-2555

Honest Horses

McKinley Arts Center
May 24-July 2
nac.nevadaculture.org
775-334-6264

**The Human Touch:
Selections from the
RBC Wealth Manage-
ment Collection**

Nevada Museum of Art
May 22-Nov. 14
nevadaart.org
775-329-3333

**Imperial Acrobats
of China**

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

**The Improv at
Harveys**

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

**Interwoven 2010:
Visions of the Great
Basin Basketmakers**

Carson City
Nevada State Museum
Thru July 24
nevadaculture.org
775-687-4810

JR Johns

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

Karaoke Idol

Club Cal Neva
Fri.
clubcalneva.com
877-777-7303

**Lahontan Auto
Racing Association
Season**

Fallon
Rattlesnake Raceway
Thru Oct.
rattlesnakeraceway.org
775-427-9120

Nashville Pussy

The Underground
clubunderground-reno
.com
775-786-2582

Stanton Moore Trio

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

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Brewmaster Series

Bonanza
bonanzacasino.com
775-323-2724 x.148

(13-16)

**Silver State Classic/
Nevada Open Road
Challenge**

White Pine & Nye
Counties
silverstateclassic.com
702-631-6166

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**Think Floyd USA/
American Pink Floyd**

West Wendover
Peppermill
wendoverfun.com
800-537-0207

Tracy Morgan

Silver Legacy
silverlegacy.com
800-687-8733

(14-15)

**Paul Revere
& The Raiders**

Jackpot
Cactus Petes
ameristar.com
800-432-0051

(14-15)

**Show What Ya Brung
Car Show &
Highway 50 Yard Sale**

Eureka
eurekacarshow.com
775-237-5484

(14-16)

**Donnie Waters
Invitational Roping
Classic**

Fallon
Churchill County
Fairgrounds
fallontourism.com
866-432-5566

(14-16)

**Comstock Historic
Preservation Weekend**

Virginia City
visitvirginiacitynv.com
775-847-0975

(14-16)

**Spring Wings
Bird Festival**

Fallon
springwings.org
775-423-4556

(14-16)

**Trail Construction
& Crew Leadership
Workshop**

Galena Creek
Regional Park
tahoeirimtrail.org
775-298-0232

(14-16)

"Wizard of Oz"

Pioneer Center
pioneercenter.com
775-686-6609

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SATURDAY

Armed Forces Day

Carson City
Nevada State
Railroad Museum
nevadaculture.org
775-687-6953 x.233

**Armed Forces Day
Parade**

Hawthorne
mineralcountychamber.
com
775-316-0262

Chicago City Limits

Fallon
Oats Park Art Center
churchillarts.org
775-423-1440

**Elvis Costello
& The Imposters**

Peppermill
peppermillreno.com
866-821-9996

Hell's Belles

Knitting Factory
re.knittingfactory.com
775-323-5648

Louie Anderson

Stateline
South Shore Room
southshoreroom.com
800-786-8208

Mule Deer Dinner

Elko
elkocva.com
775-738-9401

Oodles of Noodles

Dayton
Main & Pike Streets
daytonnvchamber.org
775-246-7909

Pink Tea

Carson City
Governor's Mansion
775-883-9035

**Shootout at the
Classic Corral**

Ely
whitepinechamber.com
775-289-8877

(15-16)

**Comstock Police
Collector & Restored
Emergency Vehicle
Show**

Virginia City
peaceofficersmuseum.org
775-771-1111

(15-16)

Lyon County Fly-In

Silver Springs
Silver Springs Airport
lyoncountyyflyin.com
775-887-1294

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**Show Change: Down
The Garden Path**

Gardnerville
East Fork Gallery
eastforkgallery.org
775-782-7629

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Jazz Fest

Elko
elkocva.com
775-738-7281

Kaki King

Knitting Factory
re.knittingfactory.com
775-323-5648

(19-30)

**The Broadway
Production
of Cabaret**

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

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Carrie Underwood

Reno Events Center
silverlegacy.com
800-687-8733



Carson City Courtyard Marriott

3870 S. CARSON STREET
CARSON CITY, NV 89701
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www.marriott.com/RNOCC
Reference Promotional Code: LPR



Hyatt Place Reno Tahoe Airport

1790 E. PLUMB LANE
RENO, NV 89502

775-826-2500 • 800-233-1234

www.hyattplacerenotahoeairport.com
Reference Promotional Code: HPRNO



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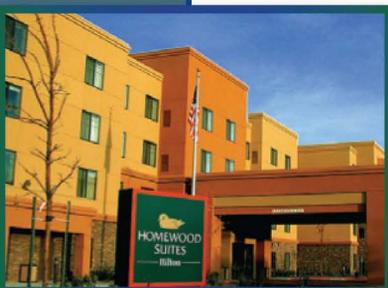


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2085 BRIERLEY WAY
SPARKS, NV 89434

775-355-7700 • 800-228-2800

www.marriott.com/RNOFI
Reference Promotional Code: LPR



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5450 KIETZKE LANE
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775-853-7100

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Reference Promotional Code: LPR



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Lahontan Valley Fine Arts Invitational

Fallon
Oats Park Art Center
May 22-Aug. 22
churchillarts.org
775-423-1440

Live Jazz Night

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

The Lingo of Our Calling

Fernley
Fernley Civic Center
May 31-July 23
nac.nevadaculture.org
775-784-9800

The Motoring Tourist: National Parks Adventure

National Automobile Museum
Thru Oct. 11
automuseum.org
775-333-9300

Nevada Northern Railway Train Rides

Ely
Visit Web site or call for schedule
nnry.com
866-407-8326

Nevada Wolf Pack Baseball

Peccole Park
(Home dates only)
May 7-9, 21-23
nevadawolfpack.com
775-348-7225

New York to Paris Automobile Race

Exhibit featuring 1907 Thomas Flyer
National Automobile Museum
Thru Jan. 5, 2012
automuseum.org
775-333-9300

Northeastern Nevada Museum Kids' Summer Program

Elko
Northeastern Nevada Museum
June 9, 16, 23, 30

elkocva.com
775-738-3418

Penelope Gottlieb: NO \$ DOWN

Nevada Museum of Art
Thru May 23
nevadaart.org
775-329-3333

Pipes on the River

Trinity Episcopal Church
Fri.
trinityreno.org
775-329-4279

Rearranging: Works by Sharon Bell

Nevada Museum of Art
Thru June 13
nevadaart.org
775-329-3333

Reno Aces

Triple-A Baseball
Aces Ballpark (home dates only)
May 3-6, 11-18, 28-31
June 5-8, 10-13, 22-25
renoaces.com
775-334-7000

Reno Beer Crawl

Fourth Sat. of each month
renobeercrawl.com
775-996-1811

Reno-Fernley Raceway

Fernley
Ongoing
reno-fernleyraceway.com
775-575-7217

Riverwalk District Art Walk

Last Thurs. of each month
renoriver.org
775-825-9255

Riverwalk District Wine Walk

Third Sat. of each month
renoriver.org
775-825-9255

Rockin' Friday Night Pool Party

Sands Regency
June 11, 18, 25
sandsregency.com
866-386-7829

Little River Band

West Wendover
Peppermill
wendoverfun.com
800-537-0207

White Pine Players

Eureka
Eureka Opera House
eurekacounty.com
775-237-6006

(21-22)

Academy of Dance

Stateline
MontBleu
bluelaketahoe.com
888-829-7630

(21-23)

Gold Country Blast & Perdiz Sport Shoot

Eureka
eurekacounty.com
775-237-7027

22 SATURDAY

Coconuts For Kids Luau at the Governor's Mansion

Carson City
visitcarsoncity.com
775-883-1011

Elvin Bishop

Stateline
South Shore Room
southshoreroom.com
800-786-8208

Gabriel Iglesias

West Wendover
Peppermill
wendoverfun.com
800-537-0207

Monster Truck Show

Elko
elkocva.com
435-353-4245

Sunchaser Challenge

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

23 SUNDAY

Great Barns of Carson Valley

Self-Guided Tour
Carson Valley
visitcarsonvalley.org
800-727-7677

Styx, Foreigner, & Kansas

Jackpot
Cactus Petes

Amphitheater
ameristar.com
800-432-0051

25

Bare Bones Open Mic

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

27

Veterans Reunion Farewell Dinner—Mile High Jazz Band

Circus Circus
milehighjazz.com
775-883-4154

28

Barenaked Ladies

Grand Sierra
grandsierraresort.com
800-648-3568

Battle Born Show-down Car Show

Virginia City
Silverland Inn & Suites
visitvirginiacitynv.com
775-229-1268

Summer Concert Series: Shane Dwight Band

Minden
Minden Park
visitcarsonvalley.org
800-727-7677

(28-29)

California Trail Days

Elko
elkocva.com
775-934-2467

(28-30)

Abacadabra—The Ultimate ABBA Concert

Stateline
South Shore Room
southshoreroom.com
800-786-8208

(28-30)

"Don't Dress for Dinner"

Hug High School
renolittletheater.org
775-329-0661

(28-30)

Run-A-Mucca

Motorcycle rally
Winnemucca

runamucca.com
775-623-5071

29 SATURDAY

Bill Cosby

Silver Legacy
silverlegacy.com
800-687-8733

Celebration of Heroes Parade

Virginia City
C Street
visitvirginiacitynv.com
775-847-4386

Gallagher

West Wendover
Peppermill
wendoverfun.com
800-537-0207

(29-30)

Black Rock Rendezvous

Black Rock Desert
blackrockrendezvous.com
775-557-2900

(29-30)

High School Rodeo

Eureka
eurekacounty.com
775-237-5345

(29-30)

Memorial Day Celebration

Jarbidge
jarbidge.org
775-488-2311

(29-31)

Bangin' Bones Wild Weekend

Elko
elkocva.com
775-340-1385

(29-31)

Memorial Day Steam-Up

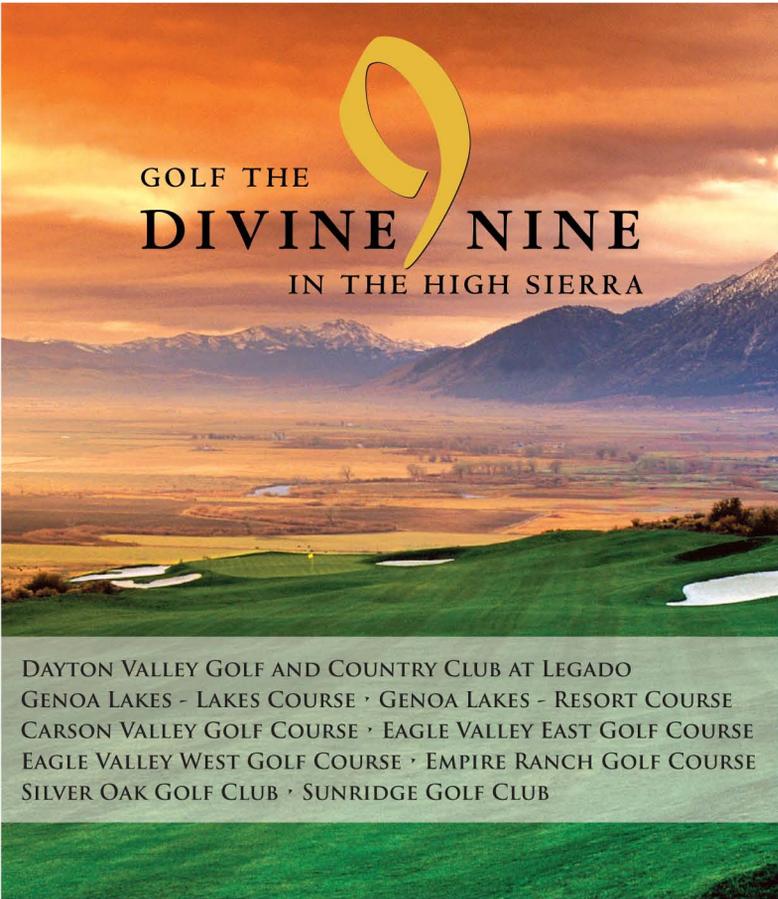
Carson City
Nevada State Railroad Museum
nevadaculture.org
775-687-6953 x.233

30 SUNDAY

American Red Cross Golf Scramble

Elko
elkocva.com
775-753-9600

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 IN THE HIGH SIERRA



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25th Annual Elko Mining Expo
 June 7-11, 2010
 Exhibit Days: June 10-11, 2010



Elko Motorcycle Jamboree
 June 18-20, 2010



ATV Jamboree
 June 20-26, 2010



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 (800) 248-3556

For additional information on Elko area events visit:

www.ExploreElko.com

★ ONGOING *continued*

**Saturday Night
Campfire Programs**

Wild Horse State
Recreation Area
Wild Horse
Amphitheater
Memorial Day
to Labor Day
parks.nv.gov
775-758-6493

**“Shake, Rattle,
& Roll”**

Eldorado
Thru Aug. 8
eldoradoreno.com
800-648-5966

**Silver Dollar
Cruise Night**

Carson City
May 20, 27
June 3, 10, 17, 24
visitcarsoncity.com
775-687-7410

**Steakhouse
Wine Tastings**

Harrah's Reno
Last Tues. of
each month
harrahsreno.com
775-788-2929

Stop the Car, Dad!

Incline Village
Sierra Nevada College
Thru May 21
nac.nevadaculture.org
775-831-1314

Stop the Car, Dad!

Virginia City
St. Mary's Art Center
June 1-July 23
nac.nevadaculture.org
775-847-7774

**Sundays Uncorked &
Live Music**

Wine tastings
& live music
Wild River Grille
wildrivergrille.com
775-284-7455

Third Thursdays

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

**Thirsty Third
Thursday Wine Walks**

Gardnerville
Main Street District
Thru Sept.

mainstreetgardnerville
.org
775-782-8027

**Top Gun Raceway
Drag Racing Season**

Fallon
Thru Nov.
topgunraceway.com
775-423-0223

**USBC Open
Championships**

National Bowling
Stadium
Thru July 5
eldoradoreno.com
800-879-8879

**Views From China:
Yang Yongliang & The
Modern Metropolis**

Nevada Museum
of Art
Thru Sept. 12
nevadaart.org
775-329-3333

Watercolor Duet

Artists Co-op Gallery
May 1-31
artistsco-
opgalleryreno.com
775-322-8896

Weekly Wine Tasting

Java Jungle
Wed.
javajunglevino.com
775-329-4484

**Will James—
Museum Collection**

Elko
Northeastern
Nevada Museum
Thru Dec. 8
museumelko.org
775-738-3418

WWI Gets Motorized

National Automobile
Museum
Thru Oct. 11
automuseum.org
775-333-9300

“X Burlesque”

Topless revue
Harrah's Reno
Dark Mon. & Tues.,
May 6-Aug. 1
harrahsreno.com
775-788-2900

Cheetah 500

Animal Ark
animalark.org
1-775-970-3431

Saigon By Night

West Wendover
Peppermill
wendoverfun.com
800-537-0207

**Smith's Food & Drug
Show & Shine**

Carson City
Smith's Food & Drug
visitcarsoncity.com
775-690-3680

Tim McGraw

Stateline
Harveys
apeconcerts.com
775-586-6541

J U N E

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**(1-3)
Senior Pro Rodeo**

Elko
elkocva.com
775-738-4091

2

**Henry Rollins
Grand Sierra
grandsierraresort.com
800-648-3568**

3

**Movie Night at
the Museum—
“The Italian Job”**

National Automobile
Museum
automuseum.org
775-333-9300

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Boz Scaggs

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

Eurofest

Sands Regency
sandsregency.com
866-386-7829

Ott

The Underground
clubunderground-
reno.com
775-786-2582

Sawyer Brown

West Wendover
Peppermill
wendoverfun.com
800-537-0207

(4-5)

Reno-Tahoe Odyssey

Reno & Lake Tahoe
renotahoeodyssey.com
775-825-3399

(4-6)

**Mule Races, Show,
& Draft Horse
Challenge**

Winnemucca
mule-draffhorse-
show.com
800-962-2638

(4-6)

**Street Vibrations
Spring Rally**

Sparks
road-shows.com
775-329-7469

(4-6)

**Tahoe Biltmore Rod
Run & Bike Bash**

Crystal Bay
Tahoe Biltmore
goodsamsaferide.com
530-541-7300

(4-6, 11-13)

**BAC Stage Kids:
“A Midsummer
Night's Dream”**

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

(4-6, 11-13)

**“Don't Dress
for Dinner”**

Hug High School
renolittletheater.org
775-329-0661

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SATURDAY

**Ely Renaissance
Village Opening Day**

Ely
whitepinechamber.com
775-289-8877

Grand Funk Railroad

West Wendover
Peppermill
wendoverfun.com
800-537-0207

Johnny Mathis

Silver Legacy
silverlegacy.com
800-687-8733

**Rafting Trip on the
Carson River**

Carson Valley
cvinn.com/rafting
775-783-6679

Thunderbird Run

Paddleboard racing
Sand Harbor &
Thunderbird Lodge
gotahoenorth.com
877-949-3296

(5-6)

Festival of Arts

Minden
Esmeralda Avenue
williamsltd.com
775-782-2444

(5-6)

Kids Fishing Derby

Gardnerville
Lampe Park
e-mail: kfdvolunteers@
aol.com
775-267-2724

(5-6)

**Street Fever Car Club
Show and Shine &
Nevada Magazine's
Tour Around Nevada**

Lovelock
Pershing County
Courthouse Park
lovelockstreetfever.com
775-722-2471

(5-6, 12-13)

Valhalla

Renaissance Faire

South Lake Tahoe
Camp Richardson's Wood
valhallafaire.com
415-354-1773

(5-13)

**Highway 50
Wagon Train**

California & Nevada
hwy50wagontrain.com
530-644-3761

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SUNDAY

**America's Most
Beautiful Bike Ride**

Stateline
(around Lake Tahoe)
bikethest.com
800-565-2704

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Octane Fest

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June 10-13

Fallon Fights

Rural Rumble 10: pro boxing, mixed martial arts, outdoors Wild West style!
August 28

Hearts of Gold Cantaloupe Festival

The Silver Anniversary. Make this homespun festival a tradition!
Labor Day Weekend



Enjoy the six seasons of Fallon

Twinkle Season

Christmas tree lighting, Santa Claus and fireworks.

Vroom Vroom Season

NHRA at Top Gun Raceway and dirt track racing at Rattlesnake.

Giddy Up Season

Rodeos galore along with the World Championship Cowboy Fast Draw.

Finger Lickin' Good Season

Cantaloupe Festival, chili cook-off and summer farmers market.

Get Out of Town Season

See ancient rock art, a Pony Express station or conquer Sand Mountain.

Crowd Pleasin' Season

Enjoy the Rural Rumble, Spring Wings, CAC performing arts.

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Eventful Nevada

D 7

(7-11)
Elko Mining Expo
 Elko
 Convention Center
 exploreelko.com
 800-248-3556

D 8

(8-12)
Pony Express Re-Ride
 (Nevada dates only)
 Genoa, June 8
 Carson City &
 Fort Churchill, June 9
 Sand Springs &
 Cold Springs, June 10
 Railroad Pass &
 Grubb Well, June 11
 Schellbourne, June 12
 xphomestation.com
 916-332-8382

D 9

(9-10, 16-17)
Dinner & Show:
Neil Simon's
"Sunshine Boys"
 Gold Hill
 Gold Hill Hotel
 visitvirginiacitynv.com
 775-847-0111

D 10

(10-13)
Carson Valley Days
 Gardnerville
 Lampe Park
 carsonvalley2030.org
 775-220-8046

(10-13)
Octane Fest
 Motorsports festival
 Fallon
 Churchill County
 Fairgrounds
 octanefest.com
 775-851-2294

D 11

Chamber Music
 South Lake Tahoe
 Valhalla Theatre
 valhallatahoe.com
 530-541-4975

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

(11-12)
Slot Tournament
 Sands Regency
 sandsregency.com
 866-386-7829

(11-13)
Carson City
Rendezvous
 Carson City
 visitcarsoncity.com
 800-NEVADA-1

(11-13)
Carson Valley
History Exhibit
 Minden
 Dangberg Home
 Ranch Historic Park
 parks.nv.gov
 775-783-9417

(11-13)
Discover Summer
 South Lake Tahoe
 bluелaketahoe.com
 800-288-2463

(11-13)
Serendipity!
Antique Shows
 Reno-Sparks Livestock
 Events Center
 serendipityshows.com
 559-485-3354

D 12
SATURDAY

Blue Öyster Cult
 Stateline
 South Shore Room
 southshoreroom.com
 800-786-8208

Celebrity Docs—
Swanky Speakeasy of
the 1920s
 Carson City
 Glenn Eagles Restaurant
 visitcarsoncity.com
 775-445-5161

Crescent Valley
Fun Days
 Eureka
 eurekacounty.com
 775-468-0326

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

Elaine Jason
Conversation
 Fallon
 Oats Park Art Center
 churchillarts.org
 775-423-1440

Fears, Tears, & Beers
Mountain-Bike Enduro
 Ely
 greatbasintrails.org
 702-526-5010

Free Fishing Day
 Statewide
 ndow.org
 775-688-1500

Hurricam's Car Club
Show & Shine
 Fallon
 Oats Park
 fallontourism.com
 775-423-9205

Korn's Ballroom Blitz
 Grand Sierra
 grandiserraresort.com
 800-648-3568

Laps for YAPS
 Yerington
 Cottonwood Ranch
 775-463-2618

Lisa Lampanelli
 West Wendover
 Peppermill
 wendoverfun.com
 800-537-0207

Pet Parade
 Virginia City
 C Street
 visitvirginiacitynv.com
 775-847-4386

Wolf Howl Night
 Animal Ark
 animalark.org
 1-775-970-3431

(12-13)
Bristlecone Bowman
Annual 3-D Shoot
 Ely
 whitepinechamber.com
 775-289-6771

(12-13)
Carson Valley
Quilt Show
 Carson City
 Carson High School
 e-mail: quiltedbikes@
 clearwire.net
 775-841-0315

(12-13)
Chili Cook-off,
Live Music, &
Crafts Fair
 Stateline
 MontBleu
 bluелaketahoe.com
 800-BE-LUCKY

(12-13)
Geocaching High Tech
Treasure Hunt
 South Lake Tahoe
 bluелaketahoe.com
 800-AT-TAHOE

(12-13)
Mark Twain
Western Days
 Zephyr Cove
 Zephyr Cove Resort
 zephyrcove.com
 530-543-6191

(12-13)
Perdiz Fun Shoot
 Eureka
 eurekacounty.com
 775-237-7027

(12-13)
Winnemucca Basque
Festival
 Winnemucca
 winnemucca.com
 800-962-2638

D 13
SUNDAY

Bully's Summer Heat
Show & Shine
 Carson City
 Bully's
 visitcarsoncity.com
 775-690-3680

Fly-In Event
 Winnemucca
 Winnemucca Airport
 winnemucca.com
 775-623-5091

"Pops Party" at the
Governor's Mansion
 Carson City
 Symphony concert
 Carson City
 visitcarsoncity.com
 775-883-4154

Ride For Kids
Charity Run
 Elko
 elkocva.com
 775-560-4476

D 14

Winemaker Dinner
 Bonanza
 bonanzacasino.com
 775-323-2724 x.148

D 16

(16-17)
Chautauqua
In The Park
 Genoa
 Mormon Station
 historicnevada.org
 775-265-6097

(16-19)
Tour de Nez
 Pro cycling event

Reno & North Lake Tahoe
 tourdenez.com
 775-287-3599

(16-20)
Nevada State
High School Rodeo
 Elko
 elkocva.com
 775-385-5374

D 17

ESPN Xtreme Bulls
 Reno-Sparks Livestock
 Events Center
 renorodeo.com
 800-225-2277

Stewart Indian School
Alumni Reception
 Carson City
 Courtyard Marriot
 stewartindianschool.com
 775-687-8333

(17-20)
Corvettes
at Lake Tahoe
 Stateline
 MontBleu
 laketahoecorvetteclub.org
 530-542-0485

(17-20)
NadaDada Motel
 Art event
 Hotel El Cortez
 twitter.com/nadadada

(17-26)
Reno Rodeo
 Livestock Events Center
 renorodeo.com
 775-329-3877

D 18

The Beach Boys
 West Wendover
 Peppermill
 wendoverfun.com
 800-537-0207

Girl Scout Wolf Howl
 Animal Ark
 animalark.org
 1-775-970-3431

Beatles Tribute—
Imagine
 Minden
 Minden Park
 visitcarsonvalley.org
 800-727-7677

(18-19)
Oak Ridge Boys
 Jackpot
 Cactus Petes
 ameristar.com
 800-432-0051

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Run-A-Mucca Motorcycle Rally May 28 - 30, 2010



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Upcoming Events

Tournament Charro ~ Mexican Rodeo
May 1-2, 2010

Run-A-Mucca Motorcycle Rally
May 28-30, 2010

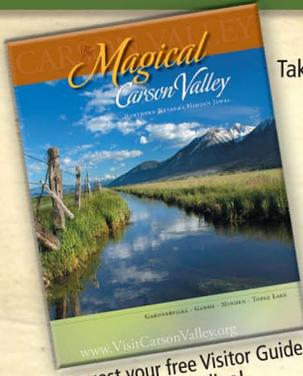
Winnemucca Mule Races and Show
June 4-6, 2010

Winnemucca Basque Festival
June 12-13, 2010

Fifties Fever
July 30 - August 1, 2010



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MAY

- 2 Genoa Courthouse Museum Opens
- 23 Great Barns of Carson Valley Tour, Genoa
- 28 Summer Concert Series, Minden Park

JULY

- 4 Red, White & Blue Celebration, Heritage Park
- 9 Movies in the Park, Heritage Park
- 13 31st Anniversary Reception, East Fork Gallery

JUNE

- 5 Festival of Arts, Downtown Minden
- 8 Pony Express 150th Anniversary, Genoa
- 10-13 Centennial Carson Valley Days

AUGUST

- 1 Taste of the Towns, Carson Valley Museum
- 5 Hot August Nights Poker Run, Minden Park
- 20-21 Valley Cruisers Main Street Event, Lampe Park

WWW.VISITCARSONVALLEY.ORG

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(18-19)
The Smothers Brothers
 Stateline
 South Shore Room
 southshoreroom.com
 800-786-8208

(18-20)
Elko Motorcycle Jamboree
 Elko
 exploreelko.com
 800-248-3556

(18-20)
Gridley Days
 Austin
 austinnevada.com
 775-964-2200

(18-20)
Lake Tahoe Concours d'Elegance
 Wooden boat show
 Carnelian Bay
 Sierra Boat Company
 laketahoeconcours.com
 530-581-4700

(18-20)
Rolling Chrome/ Tahoe Thunder Motorcycle & Car Show
 Stateline
 goodsamsaferide.com
 530-541-7300

(18-20)
Stewart Father's Day Powwow
 Carson City
 Stewart Indian School
 stewartindianschool.com
 775-687-8333

19 SATURDAY

Beach Boys
 Silver Legacy
 silverlegacy.com
 800-687-8733

Chicago & The Doobie Brothers
 Stateline
 Harveys Lake Tahoe
 apeconcerts.com
 775-586-6541



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Clay Walker
 West Wendover
 Peppermill
 wendoverfun.com
 800-537-0207

Flea Market
 Gardnerville
 visitcarsonvalley.org
 775-782-2555

High Roller Car Show
 Yerington
 e-mail: fun@dlcpoker.com
 775-781-5780

Hippie Parade
 Virginia City
 C Street
 visitvirginiacitynv.com
 775-847-4386

Show 'n' Shine
 Bonanza
 bonanzacasino.com
 775-323-2724

Terry Allen & The Panhandle Mystery Band
 Fallon
 Oats Park Art Center
 churchillarts.org
 775-423-1440

(19-20)
Bow Hunter's Jamboree
 Eureka
 eurekacounty.com
 775-237-7027

(19-20)
Father's Day Steam-Up
 Carson City
 Nevada State Railroad Museum
 nevadaculture.org
 775-687-6953 x.233

20 SUNDAY

City of Sparks Father's Day Half Marathon
 Sparks
 sparkshm.com
 407-599-0568

Dash 4 Dads Cheetah Run
 Animal Ark
 animalark.org
 1-775-970-3431

Town Park Concert
 Genoa
 genoanevada.org
 775-782-8696

(20-21)
Wrangler World's Greatest Roper
 Reno-Sparks Livestock Events Center
 lazye.com
 800-595-RIDE

(20-26)
ATV Jamboree
 Elko
 exploreelko.com
 800-248-3556

21 (21-29)
National Motor Glider Region 11 Championships
 Ely
 White Pine County Airport
 whitepinechamber.com
 775-289-8877

22 (22-26)
Nevada Humanities Chautauqua Festival
 Bartley Ranch Regional Park
 nevadahumanities.org
 775-784-6587

24 (24-July 3)
USA Volleyball Girls' Junior National Championships
 Reno-Sparks Convention Center
 visitrenotahoe.com
 800-367-7366

25 (25-26)
Glen Campbell
 Sparks
 John Ascuaga's Nugget
 janugget.com
 800-648-1177

(25-26)
Great Eldorado BBQ, Brews, & Blues Festival
 Eldorado
 eldoradoreno.com
 800-879-8879

(25-26)
Don Edwards: Original Cowboy Music
 Eureka

Eureka Opera House
 eurekacounty.com
 775-237-6006

(25-27)
Run What Cha Brung Car Show
 Carson City
 Fuji Park
 visitcarsoncity.com
 775-883-0927

(25-27)
Water & Rails Pond & Garden Tour
 Northern Nevada
 waterandrails.org
 775-329-3041 x.125

26 SATURDAY
Brian Regan
 Silver Legacy
 silverlegacy.com
 800-687-8733

Cocktails & Cannons
 Ely
 Cave Lake State Park
 parks.nv.gov
 800-496-9350

Duck Race
 Elko
 Northeastern Nevada Museum

elkocva.com
 775-738-3418

Trace Adkins
 West Wendover
 Peppermill
 wendoverfun.com
 800-537-0207

27 SUNDAY

Lamoille Country Fair
 Lamoille
 e-mail: pattymar0@yahoo.com
 775-738-4252

Tour of Carson Valley Bike Ride, BBQ, & Ice Cream Social
 Genoa
 bikethewest.com
 800-565-2704

Home Show
 Ely
 whitepinechamber.com
 775-289-3083

Trace Adkins Jackpot
 Cactus Petes
 ameristar.com
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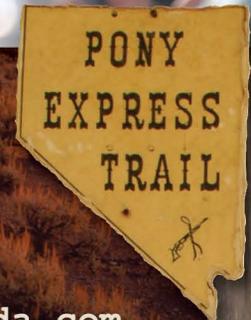
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Fernley Out of Town Park

Friday-Sunday, September 24 - 26
National Senior Pro Rodeo
Fernley Out of Town Park

Call (775) 575-4459 or visit FernleyChamber.org
for more information

DAYTON

Saturday, May 15
The 9th Annual Oodles of Noodles
Pike Street, Old Town Dayton

Saturday, August 7
Dayton Area C.O.C. Golf Tournament
Dayton Valley Golf & Country Club

Call (775) 246-7909 or visit
DaytonNvChamber.org for more information

FALLON

Friday-Sunday, May 14 - 16
Spring Wings Bird Festival
(775) 423-4556 SpringWings.org

Thursday-Sunday, June 10 - 13
Octane Fest
(775) 240-2851 OctaneFest.com

Saturday-Sunday, July 31 - August 1
Oasis Stampede & Country Fair
(775) 423-0525 OasisStampede.com

Saturday, August 28
Fallon Fights
(775) 423-4556 FallonFights.com

September - October
Lattin Farms Nevada Maze
(775) 867-3759 LattinFarms.com

Friday-Monday, September 3 - 6
Hearts of Gold Cantaloupe Festival
(775) 423-4556 FallonTourism.com

Thursday-Sunday, September 30 - October 3
World Cowboy Fast Draw Championship
(775) 575-1802 CowboyFastDraw.com
Call (866) 432-5566 or (775) 423-4556 or visit
FallonTourism.com for more information

AUSTIN

Friday-Sunday, June 18 - 20
Gridley Days
(775) 964-2200 AustinNevada.com

Sunday, July 4
Old Fashioned 4th of July
(775) 964-2200 AustinNevada.com

Saturday, August 7
KVFD Annual Picnic (Kingston)
Call Shannon at (775) 964-2120

Saturday, August 21
Lions Club Fly-In
(775) 964-2200 AustinNevada.com

Call (775) 964-2200 or visit AustinNevada.com
for more information

EUREKA

Friday-Saturday, May 14 - 15
3rd Annual Show What Ya Brung Car Show
and Highway 50 Yard Sale
(775) 340-7599 EurekaCarShow.com

Friday-Saturday, June 25 - 26
Don Edwards Original Cowboy Music
The Eureka Opera House
(775) 237-6006

Sunday, July 4
Old Fashioned 4th of July Parade,
Celebration, street games, and fireworks

Call (775) 237-5484 or visit co.Eureka.nv.us
for more information

ELY

Friday-Saturday, May 14 - 15
Nevada Open Road Challenge Car Race
Saturday, June 26

Cocktails & Cannons at Cave Lake
Bathtub races, beach volleyball, beach
BBQ, dance, and fireworks
(800) 496-9350 ElyNevada.net

Sunday, July 4
4th of July Celebration
Community breakfast, parade, kids
games, quilt show, fireworks, BBQ, and
Fireworks Train
NevadaNorthernRailway.net

Saturday-Sunday, August 7 - 8
Arts in the Park
White Pine County Park

Friday-Saturday, August 13 - 14
White Pine Rodder's Car Show
White Pine County Park

Saturday-Sunday, August 21 - 22
White Pine Horse Races and County Fair
(775) 289-8877 WhitePineChamber.com

Friday, September 17
Silver State Classic Challenge Car Race
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for more information

GREAT BASIN HERITAGE AREA

Friday-Sunday, July 23 - 25
Snake Valley Festival
Saturday, September 4
Snake Valley Reunion
BBQ at Baker Ranch,
dance at the Border Inn
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GreatBasinHeritage.org for more information

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The Aces take on their southern Pacific Coast League rivals, the Las Vegas 51s, 16 times this season. The organization has been a staple in Las Vegas for nearly 30 years, taking root in 1983 as the Stars. Cashman Field, the 51s' home park, is another great venue to buy some peanuts and Cracker Jacks for the family this summer. lv51.com, 702-798-7825

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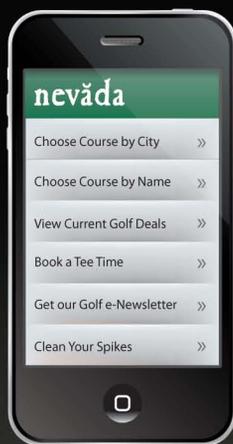


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