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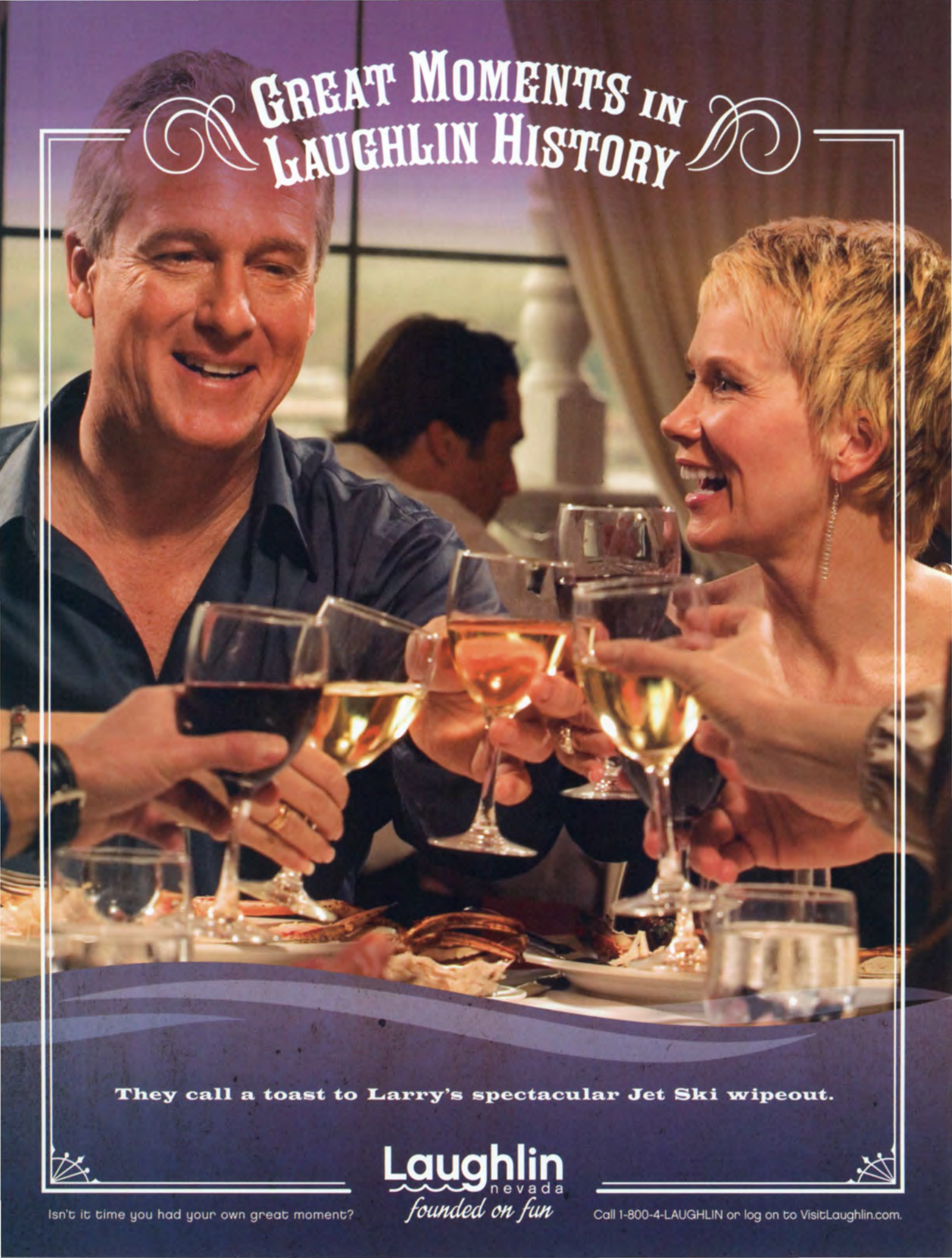
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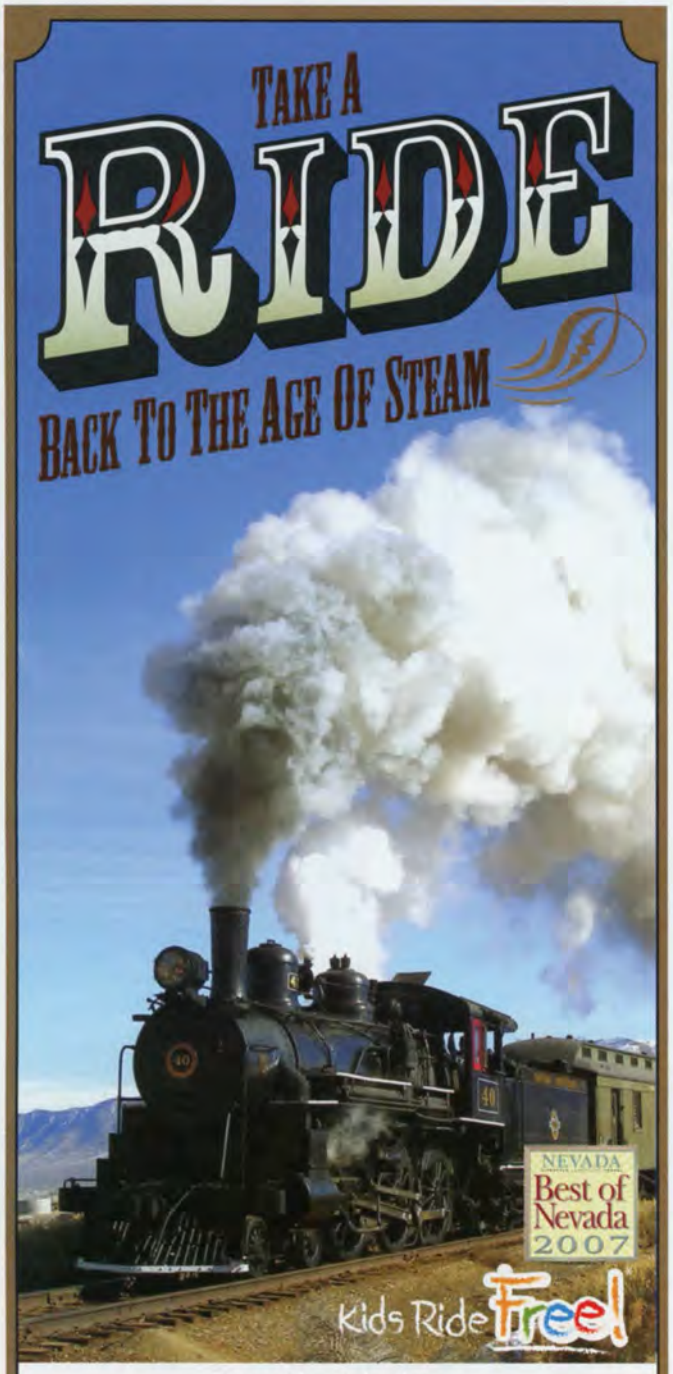
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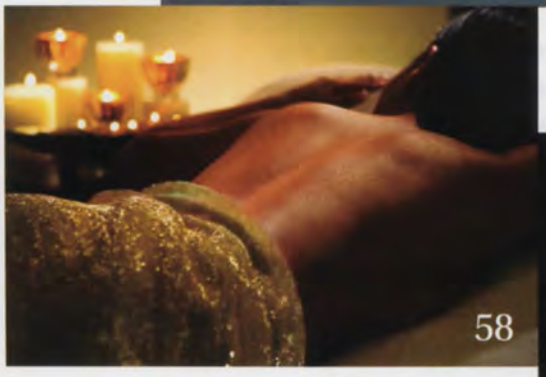

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STACY SEITZINGER

Freelance writer Stacy Seitzinger has lived in Las Vegas for nearly eight years. Her story, "Poolside Pleasure," was inspired by her childhood in Venice Beach, California. "I miss the water, and anytime I want to escape the pressures of being a third-grade teacher and mother, I go to the pool. In Las Vegas a pool can be a beach or an island getaway," Seitzinger says. Writing the story gave her the opportunity to indulge in the luxury of lounging and swimming and to appreciate the different kinds of pools available to tourists and locals. Seitzinger's children, Donovan, 12, Ian, 10, and Madison, three, also love to swim.



ANNE BERNARD

A native New Englander, Anne Bernard moved to Lake Tahoe after graduating from Dartmouth College in 2004. She freelances for several publications and produces marketing materials for local businesses. In "Sinatra Slept Here," Bernard writes about William Harrah's 1960s lakeside mansion. "I am intrigued by the history and fame associated with Villa Costa [as it is now called]. As someone who has fallen in love with Tahoe over the past three years, I felt honored to receive a private tour of the place," she says. Bernard also wrote "21st-Century Country Retreat," about a Carson Valley builder's Italian-inspired house.



SHELLY DONAHUE

After graduating from the University of Gloucestershire, England in 2002, Shelly Donahue decided to try her luck "across the pond." Donahue, who shot this issue's "Downtown Revival," is the photo chief of Las Vegas View Neighborhood Newspapers and has won several photojournalism awards. Her *Nevada Magazine* assignment was pretty open, she says. "I had to shoot some art, so I did, and I found a lot more than just art in Boulder City and Henderson. Boulder City is still a quaint little town with lots of mom-and-pop stores, and I love the way Water Street in Henderson is so colorful—there is art everywhere."



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What About Yerington?

Deb Dudley's suggestions to John Sundeman in last issue's Letters regarding moving to Smith or Wellington are all right, but Yerington has the same pleasant look and there's more to do: two small casinos, a one-screen theater, several good restaurants, the county library, a community college and, should one need medical care, the county hospital. My wife sliced her finger with a sharp knife recently. The cut required two stitches. Although we could have walked the six blocks to the hospital, we didn't.

ARTHUR KNIGHT
Yerington

Nevada's New Look

I read last issue's letters criticizing the new format. It is different than it used to be, and I can see that some people don't take change well. It takes more than one issue to get a feel for how the format will evolve, so I think everyone should just give you time to tweak it and make it reflect your style.

Like publisher Deb Dudley, I love Nevada. I was stationed at Nellis Air Force Base from 1978 to 1984 and worked on one of the ranges by Indian Springs. I had never been in the desert before, and it took a little getting used to—but I learned to love it. I haven't been able to return since 1988 and really want to move back one day. I miss the place I liked to call home.



I wish you luck in your endeavors and look forward to getting *Nevada Magazine* for years to come.

DWIGHT SPAULDING
North Vernon, IN

The May/June issue is great. I especially like the Reno (and Sparks) Renaissance article.

FREDERICK LEISERSON
Yuba City, CA

With the development of more luxury hotels and casinos in Las Vegas, Reno, and Sparks, I guess that it was inevitable that *Nevada Magazine*, too, would change to where the most commonly used adjectives seem to be "posh," "luxurious," and "upscale."

Your new format is impressive, but for those of us who really want to see Nevada the old issues with articles about scenic places, historic spots, and parks were a great guide. I have spent quite a bit of time (and money) in Nevada as a result of trips inspired by your magazine.

I realize the advertising is where the glitz is, but I just wanted you to know that everybody isn't as impressed with your new gloss as we should be, and we do miss the old magazine.

JAMES MCAFEE
Newport Beach, CA

James, I appreciate your comments, and I hope you will be patient with us as we evolve. I want very much to revisit some of the "hidden gems" of Nevada we have featured in the past.

DEB DUDLEY
Publisher

Some of the changes are nice, but as an older person I am having a hard time with some of the smaller print, even with reading glasses. Also, the bright white paper is harder on the eyes. Will you be bringing back the stories and articles from the past? I enjoy reading about Nevada's history.

In the June issue I liked the article on Sparks' and Reno's new developments and the golf section.

PAUL PETTERSON
Daly City, CA

Paul, thanks for your comments and suggestions. I think you will enjoy our next issue, too, which focuses on the outdoors and rural destinations.

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downtown revivals

Cultural events and the arts reinvigorate Boulder City and Henderson

BY JACK BULAVSKY
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THE STRAINS OF ACOUSTIC ROCK AND BEBOP fill the Henderson Events Plaza on Thursday evenings when free music, poetry, and dance performances entertain visitors of all ages. Ten miles south, Boulder City boasts arts events and rejuvenated shops and cafés that are bringing tourists and locals downtown.

The two Southern Nevada communities are following a national trend in which cities are widening sidewalks, installing stylish streetlamps, and holding cultural events. As a result, downtown areas have been reinvigorated and the arts are flourishing.



Henderson

Henderson has been redeveloping its downtown (opposite page) over the past several years, revealing its art deco-themed architecture. At the same time, a growing art and culture scene is emerging as new tenants move into the historic area.

Downtown Henderson has three art galleries (A6 Gallery, Old Town Art Gallery, and City Lights Art Gallery) that can be viewed during the monthly Third Thursday through October. This is when Water Street businesses, craft boutiques, photography studios, and restaurants remain open late into the night.

The City of Henderson Department of Cultural Arts and Tourism offers a free family-oriented weekly entertainment called Thursday Night Live. Held at 7 p.m. at the Henderson Events Plaza, the series features local bands, poets, and other artists. Information on upcoming performances is available on visithenderson.com.

Thursday also is a good day to shop in Henderson. The Country Fresh Farmers' Market, at the events pavilion in front of Henderson City Hall, is open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. From apricots to zucchini, fresh food comes direct from farms in Nevada, California, and Arizona. You can buy homemade bread, salsa, and arts and crafts, and children can take part in organized games.

Each May, the Art Fest of Henderson welcomes 200 artists from across the nation to the Henderson Events Plaza. The weekend includes entertainment and food and features a large children's play area.

Boulder City

Boulder City is the only city in Nevada without gaming. Although you won't find casinos in the historic downtown, you will see cafés and galleries (top) fronted by sidewalks bedecked with trees and flower-filled planters.

One of the first master-planned communities, the city was created to house the workers who built Hoover Dam, and today the dam's art and history are displayed in the Boulder City Museum inside the Boulder Dam Hotel. The museum's interactive exhibits describe how thousands of unemployed citizens moved to Nevada in the 1930s. The Dutch Colonial-style hotel, named to the National Register of Historic Places in 1982, also houses the Boulder City Art Guild Gallery where Southern Nevada artists display their paintings.



The 59th Annual Damboree celebrates the 4th of July with bands, art, parades, games, and pancake breakfasts at several locations including Bicentennial Park and Broadbent Park. A giant fireworks display is held at Veterans' Memorial Park at nightfall.

Boulder City also is home to one of the largest arts and crafts shows—featuring more than 350 booths—in the West. Art in the Park, set for October 6-7 offers paintings, lithographs, bronze sculptures, tapestries, and a host of other fine arts and crafts by artists from throughout the U.S. in four parks: Wilbur, Bicentennial, and Escalante North and South.

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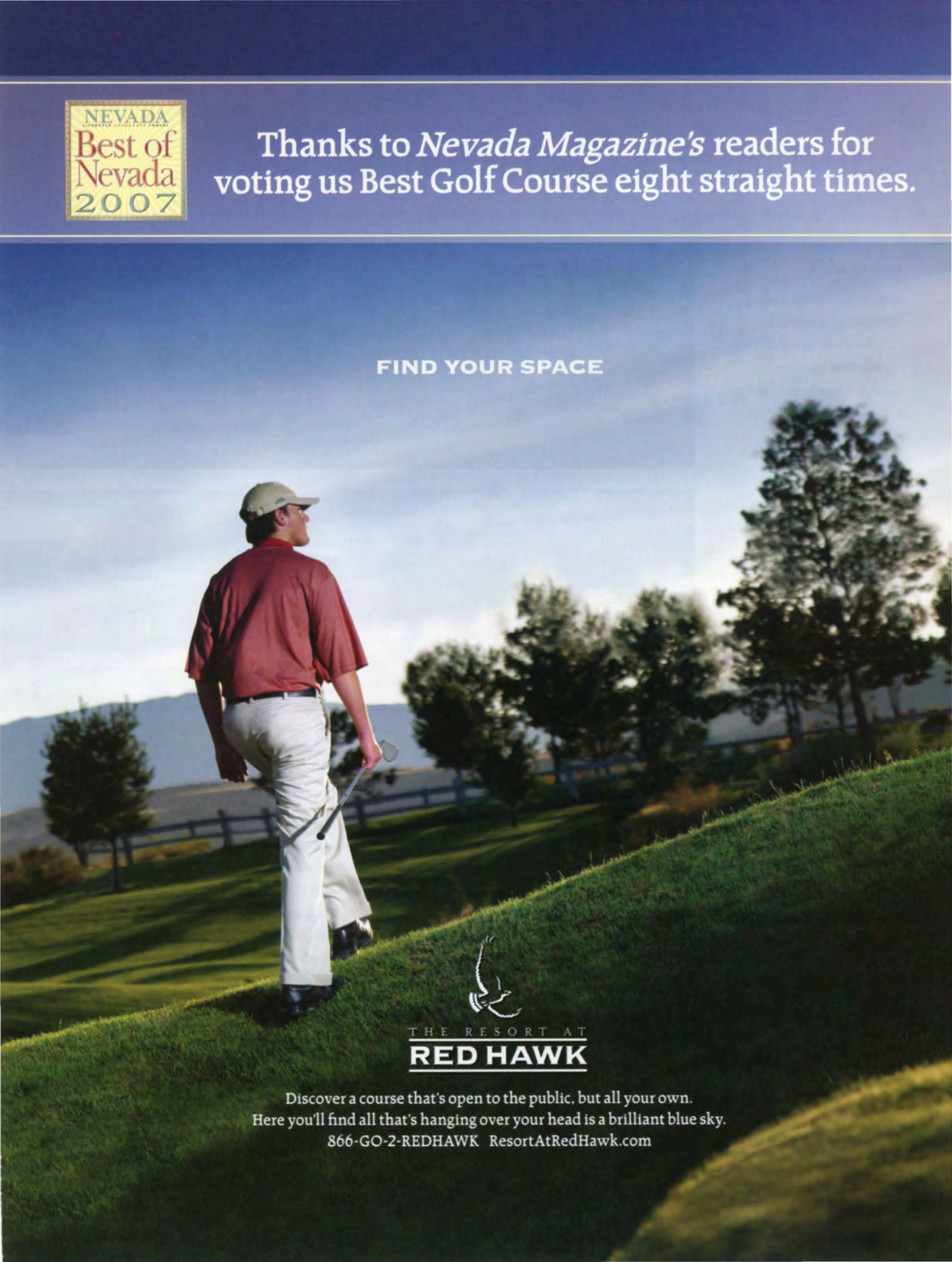
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Outdoor enthusiasts, such as fishermen who relish a day on the Reno-Tahoe area's Truckee River (opposite page), will soon have access to Cabela's and Scheels superstores (renderings at right) in Verdi and Sparks. The stores cater to the sports-obsessed, but also to tourists drawn by the outfitters' plethora of attractions.

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BY MATTHEW B. BROWN

FROM HIS VERDI HOME, Bud Johnson hears the clanging and banging of construction. The distant sounds, the result of the building of a Cabela's superstore near Boomtown Hotel and Casino, are a reminder of the sports and outdoors retail explosion coming to the Reno area. Like many people in the West, Johnson has never been inside a Cabela's. "I've heard it looks like a museum," says Johnson, a longtime fly-fisherman and 22-year Northern Nevada resident. "I'm looking forward to seeing it."

Once Nevada residents and tourists get used to Cabela's, set to open later this year, the largest Scheels in the world will open its doors in October 2008 as the anchor of the Legends at Sparks Marina project. These aren't the in-and-out specialty shops outdoor enthusiasts might be accustomed to. Nope, these are the Disneylands of sporting goods. Cabela's will feature an enormous walk-through aquarium stocked with fish native to the area, while visitors to Scheels will be able to take an electric trolley from the parking lot to the storefront—then ride the 65-foot tall Ferris wheel inside the massive store. That's just the beginning of the attractions that will greet guests of these destination developments.

Cabela's and Scheels developers figure most shoppers will travel to the stores from more than 100 miles away. "I think both of them,

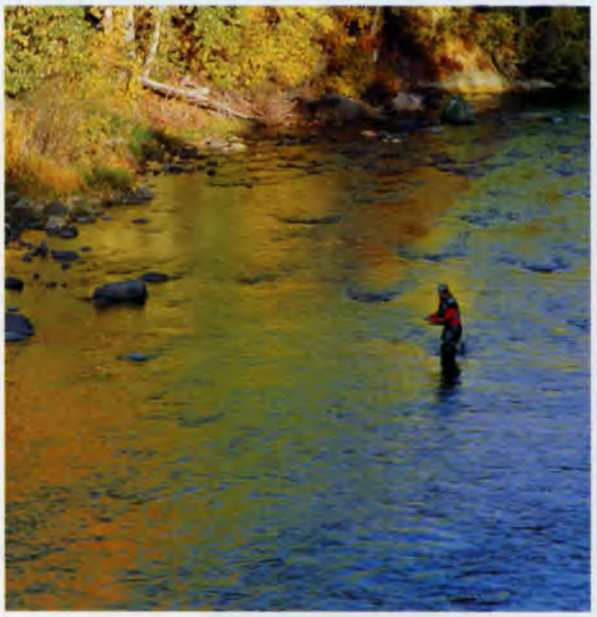
with their grandiose styles, will be a great tourist attraction," says 30-year Sparks resident and avid hunter and fisherman Jim O'Kelly, who has been to the Cabela's in Glendale, Arizona. O'Kelly, president of the Great Basin Bassers, a regional fishing club, and vice president of Reno-Sparks archery club, Silver Arrow Bowmen, thinks the stores will appeal to enthusiasts and increase general interest in the outdoors. "The outdoors are not just fishing and hunting, but things like camping and hiking," he says. "Anything that encourages the younger generation to discover the outdoors is important."

No longer will the sports-obsessed have to sift through catalogs to see the latest gear. "The thought of having this extra retail available is exciting to Nevada sportsmen," says Chris Vasey, regional outdoor education coordinator for Nevada Department of Wildlife. "Now they can touch and feel what they want to buy."

The Reno-Tahoe area, which has been advertised as "America's Adventure Place" by the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority since 2002, is a logical fit as the Cabela's and Scheels brands expand westward across the U.S. "Reno is a virtual gateway to the Sierra Nevada and other outdoor recreation," says James Powell, communications specialist for Cabela's. "We know from our decades of catalog and Internet sales that we have a strong customer base in the region." The Verdi Cabela's, which will be seven miles west of downtown Reno off I-80, will be the outfitter's first store to open in Nevada, California, or Oregon. The Scheels in Sparks—the proposed size has been described as two Wal-Marts stacked on top of each other—will be the first location west of Montana and feature the largest selection of sportswear and footwear in Nevada.

Another major outdoor retailer has its eye on Reno, too. A Bass Pro Shops Outdoor World superstore is proposed in conjunction with Station Casinos' planned resort in south Reno. There is no timeline for when the project might be completed.

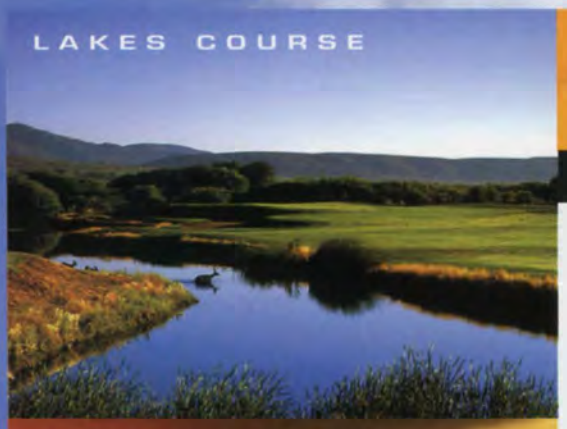
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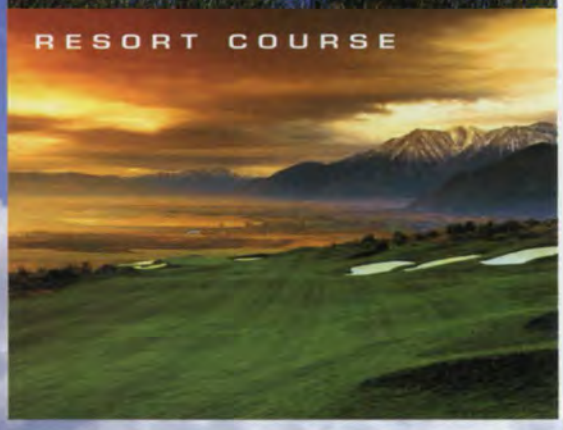


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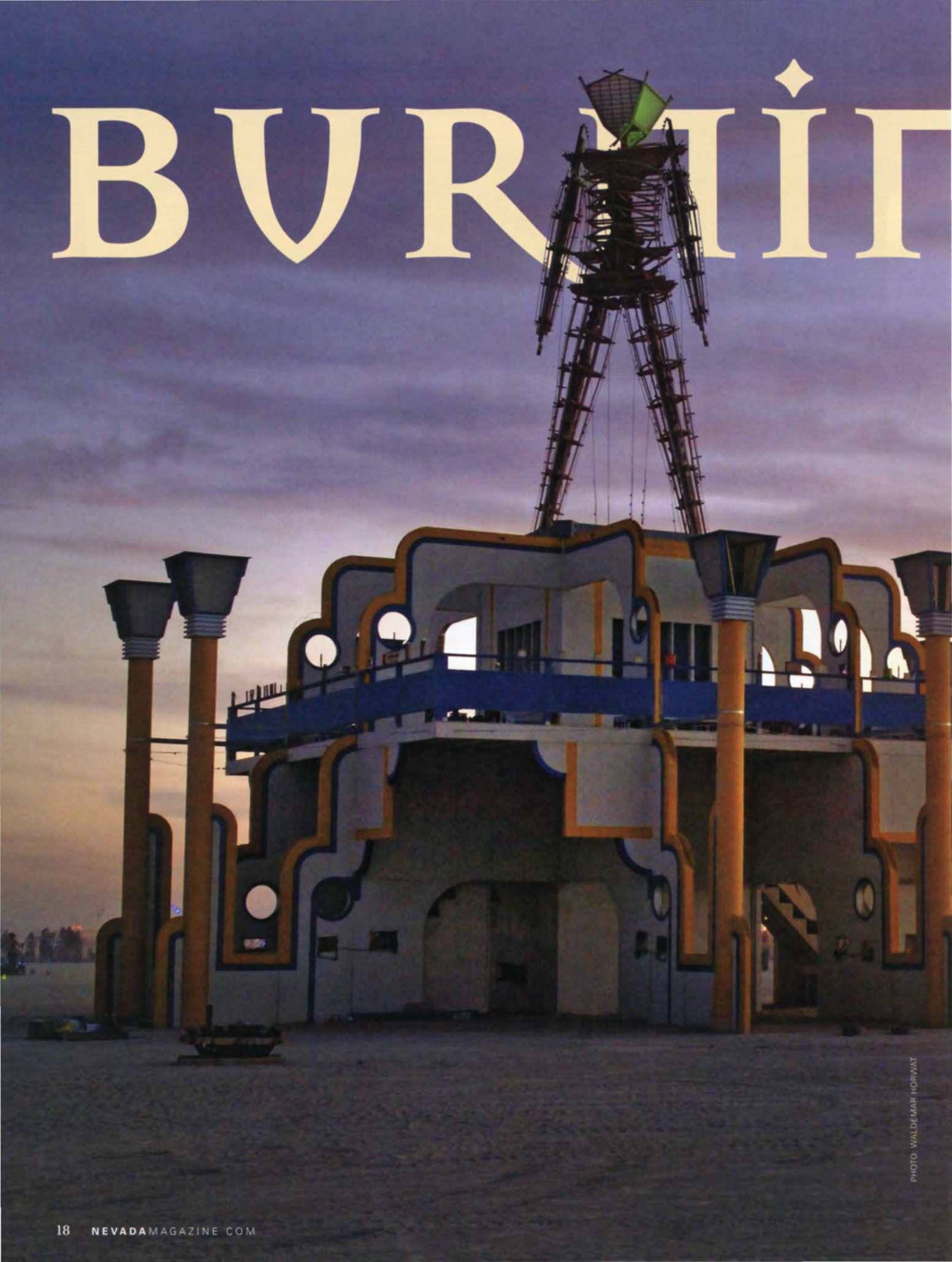
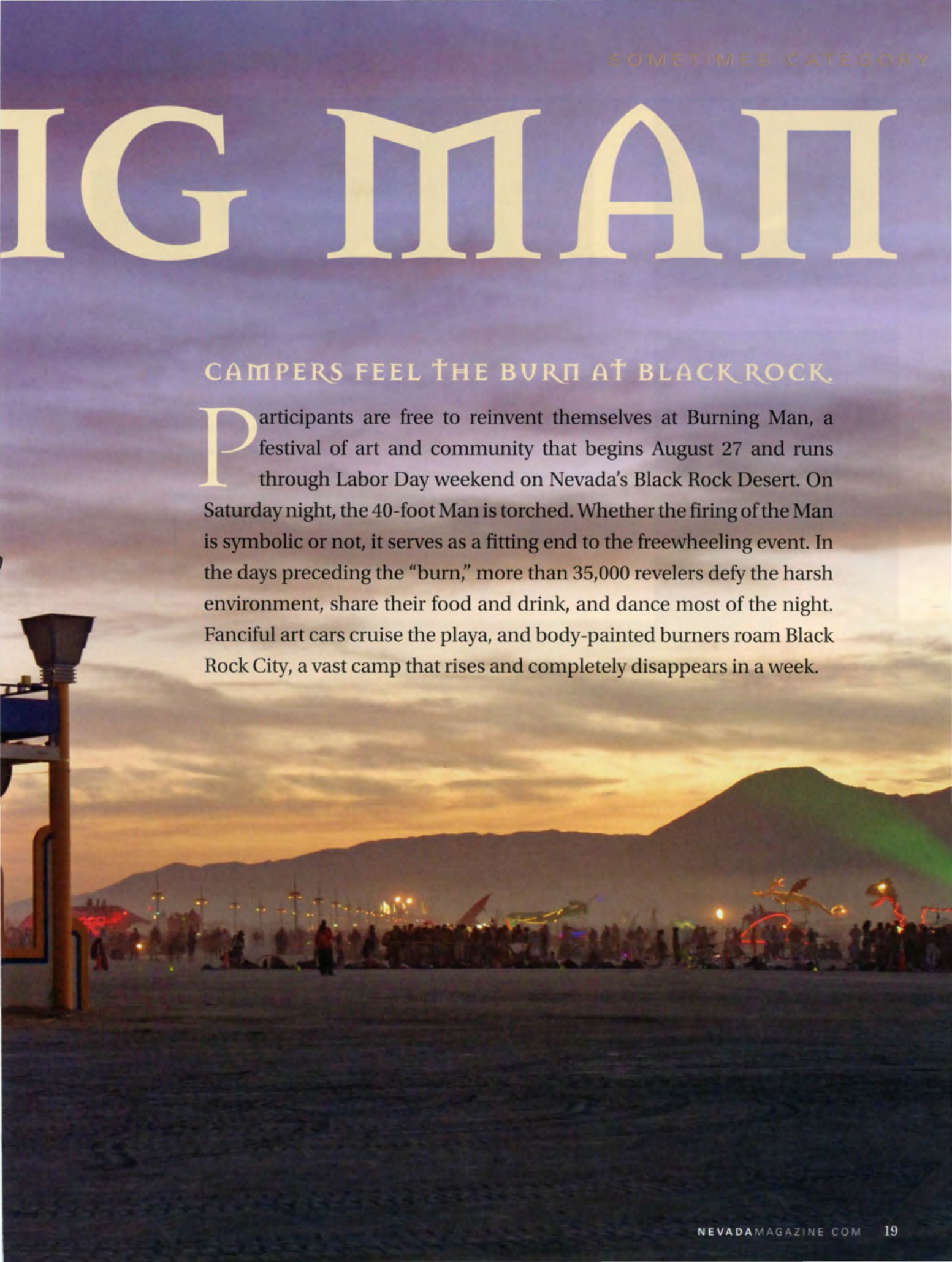


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CAMPERS FEEL THE BURN AT BLACK ROCK.

Participants are free to reinvent themselves at Burning Man, a festival of art and community that begins August 27 and runs through Labor Day weekend on Nevada's Black Rock Desert. On Saturday night, the 40-foot Man is torched. Whether the firing of the Man is symbolic or not, it serves as a fitting end to the freewheeling event. In the days preceding the "burn," more than 35,000 revelers defy the harsh environment, share their food and drink, and dance most of the night. Fanciful art cars cruise the playa, and body-painted burners roam Black Rock City, a vast camp that rises and completely disappears in a week.











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The official name of the 2006 wood sculpture below is Uchronia, but most festival-goers called it the "Belgian Waffle"—its creators are Belgian and arrived at the playa 90 strong with nail guns and piles of scrap wood from Canada. The cherry picker (top left) holds one of the builders. Uchronia served as a dance hall until it was burned (middle and bottom left). Above: In 2006 Dan Das Mann and Karen Cusolito created three "Leaping Giants." One was this giant kneeling sculpture that wept fire at night. Opposite page: Shael Stone of Ojai, California, wore jewelry and sunglasses with a butterfly motif in 2005.

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Bay Area costume designers F'kir Elderfae and Anastazia Millison take part in the White Procession, an annual ritual at the Burning Man temple. Opposite page: Melissa and Natalia of the Bay Area stilt walk in the White Procession (top). Below: An aerial view of Black Rock City. The Man stands in the center of the crescent.

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Randal Alan Smith of San Francisco, aka Shaman Randal, takes part in the "Billion Bunny March" to protest cruelty to rabbits (top left). Stacie Michon of Miami tries to hand off a sign to passersby (top right). Below: Craig Sakowitz of San Francisco built "Ungabungasaurus" in 2006. Opposite page: Jenn practices her fire spinning at sundown (top left). Ira Goldman, aka Uncle Ira, spent a day attaching faux birds to his "Green Man" suit (top right). The Flaming Lotus Girls created the Serpent Mother (below right), which guarded an egg that slowly hatched over the course of the festival.







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The Man burns on Saturday night at the festival. In 2006, the Man pulled a prank, initially collapsing, then moments later partially rising back up. Opposite page: Dave King (in kilt) and the Controlled Burn group (top left) from Reno coordinate fire performances that take place before the Man is torched. The group will perform at Reno's Artown in July. Top right: Sharon Glassman braces herself during an intense dust storm in 2006. Below: Michael Christian was inspired by *War of the Worlds* for the 2006 sculpture he called "I.T."

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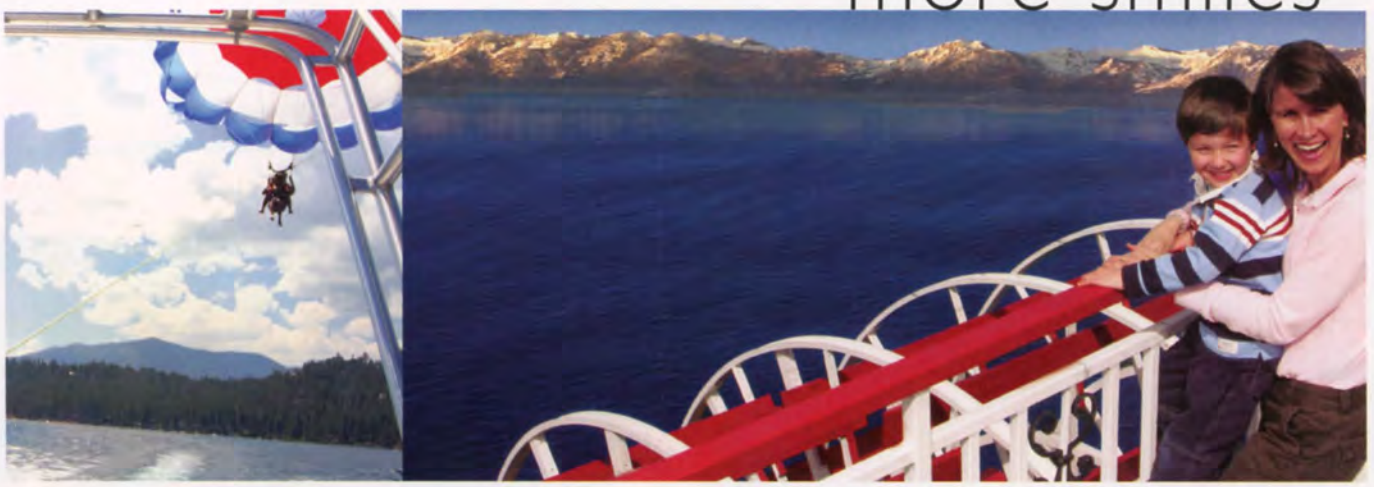
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YOU CAN INDULGE YOUR PRIMITIVE SIDE AT NORTHERN NEVADA'S BLACK ROCK DESERT.

BY MERRIE LEININGER

THE SHEER SIZE OF THE BLACK ROCK DESERT can take your breath away, and when the summer sun beats down, the vast playa can look bleak and lifeless. But the campers, four-wheelers, hikers, bird watchers, and rock hounds who love it can point you to an oasis or two.

RVers bring along their "toys"—ATVs and motorcycles—to zoom over the flat playa and climb into the surrounding mountains. Photographers say Black Rock offers an incredible vanishing point and unbelievably beautiful sunrises and sunsets. Hikers find the canyons cooler than the desert at midday. Speed demons simply drive on the playa as fast as they can.

Matthew "Metric" Ebert of the Friends of Black Rock/High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area says that if you don't mind primitive camping, Black Rock is the place to go. "There are no established camping areas, but there are a few areas along the edges of the playa where people have set up fire barrels, and near Soldier Meadows the BLM and conservation corps groups have built primitive campgrounds," he says.

Gerlach, about 107 miles north of Reno on State Route 447 serves as the gateway to Black Rock and has a gas station and three bars. Bruno's Country Club has a motel, bar, and a restaurant famous for its homemade ravioli. The town was founded in 1905 by the Western Pacific Railroad and is home to 500 residents and the Burning Man office.

Before you venture into the wilderness areas, you should obtain maps and tips on desert survival at the Friends of the Black Rock office, open weekdays May through October across from the Black Rock Saloon. The Friends of Black Rock Web site, blackrockdesert.org, also has downloadable PDF files of maps. On summer weekends, you can obtain topography maps at the BLM information trailer right outside Gerlach on SR 447

Once you've mastered the survival issues, you're ready for Black Rock. You should carry two spare tires and plenty of water, and four-wheel drive vehicles are recommended. The playa is a slick mud pit when it is wet, and if you're stuck, you're walking. The playa's hot springs can be dangerous, so check with the Friends office for directions to safe places to soak.

Campers plop their gear on the playa (top). You won't find full-service campgrounds at Black Rock, but the folks who love the area don't mind—in fact, most desert devotees relish the primitive experience. Bottom: Fly Geyser's mineral-laden water formed these iridescent cones (left). Pioneer graffiti at High Rock Canyon (right).

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CAUTION: HOT

A bather is coated with mud at a hot spring located below Black Rock Point, which gives the desert its name. Black Rock's springs range from cool to dangerously hot, and visitors seeking a safe soak should check with the Friends of Black Rock office in Gerlach for directions.

It's not all about the playa. Locals direct visitors to Guru Road, two miles north of Gerlach on Route 34, where the late DeWayne "Dooby" Williams built structures of wood and stone. "This drive-through folk-art experience, with installations built of desert materials and a series of homespun petroglyphs, is a local favorite," Metric says. Three years ago a flood damaged Guru Road, which volunteers are restoring.

Among the artists drawn to Black Rock are John and Rachel Bogard, who have been creating art at Planet X Pottery, 10 miles north of Gerlach on SR 447 since 1974. The couple has three galleries of pottery and one gallery displaying landscape paintings. John calls the desert an inspiration. "It's a no-brainer. It's all around you—this dynamic landscape. It's infectious," he says.

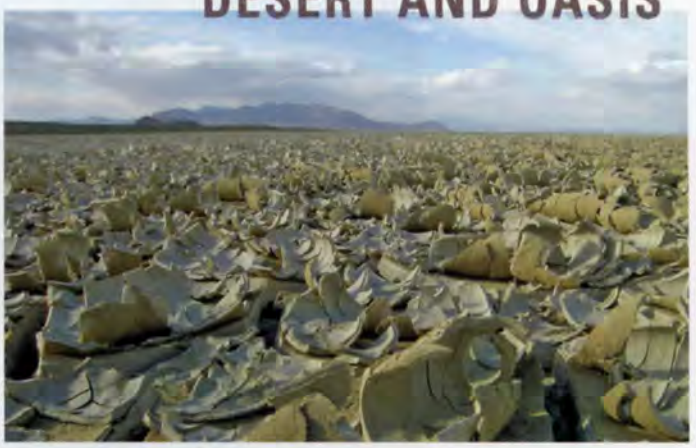
An only-at-Black-Rock sight is the colorful Fly Geyser, a hot-water spout created by the drilling of a well in the 1950s. Minerals in the water have formed iridescent cones. Although it is on private land, the geyser can be viewed from Route 34 in Hualapai Flat.

At High Rock Canyon, you can see wagon ruts made by 19th-century travelers. Pioneers on the Applegate-Lassen Trail and 49ers heading to the California Gold Rush chipped—or painted with axle grease—their names and dates on the walls of a cave at the mouth of the canyon. It is strongly recommended that you use your topo map to get in and out of the area.

If you don't want to camp, you can stay at the Soldier Meadows Guest Ranch, 62 miles north of Gerlach on Soldier Meadows Road off Route 34. Soldier Meadows was the site of Camp McGarry, which housed Army troops defending pioneers traveling the Applegate-Lassen Trail to Oregon in the 1800s. Owners Kathy and Jim Kudrna serve breakfasts and dinners buffet-style in the cookhouse with the ranch crew. The guest ranch has a landing strip for those who can travel by air.

Hunters have traditionally been the ranch's clients, but ATVers, hikers, wildlife watchers, and history buffs often make the ranch their base. There are two opal mines nearby, and geodes, agates, and obsidian litter the area. Visitors can soak in the medium-hot springs and park their RVs at a shady green campsite.

The bed-and-breakfast-style F-Ranch, a cattle operation that offers four-wheeling, hunting, and fishing, is 26.2 miles north of Gerlach. You drive on paved Route 34 for 20 miles, then on a gravel road for five. The turn onto the driveway is marked with the only mailbox for 100 miles.





Owner Sylvia Fascio says the remote, off-the-grid solar-powered ranch is used by outdoor enthusiasts as a base for their wilderness-area explorations.

The playa's surface, moistened by rain, curls up as it dries (top). Bottom: Trees at Soldier Meadows Guest Ranch provide welcome shade.

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red, white, and boo

On July 4, Belmont comes alive with games and a parade.

BY JOYCE HOLLISTER

IF YOU DON'T MIND A FEW GHOSTS at your Fourth of July picnic, you might give Belmont's celebration a try.

Nine permanent residents live in this not-quite-a-ghost town 46 miles north of Tonopah, and at the beginning of summer, a dozen or so descendants of early-day Belmonters return to family homes to welcome houseguests. Everyone helps prepare for the town's Independence Day parade.

Retired Tonopah teacher and part-time Belmont resident Suzie Terras and her husband, John, host 65 guests for July 4. Suzie says some years the parade is longer than others. "It started out really small—in 1996—with just a bunch of teachers getting together, banging drums and wearing hats," she says.

These days youngsters decorate their bikes and adults build floats on trailers and trucks. "Last year, all the kids were in the back of an open trailer with a four-wheeler decorated like a horse," Suzie recalls.

Three years ago the parade committee, which includes Suzie, her sister- and brother-in-law, Frances and Terry Terras, and Beatty Elementary School secretary Linda Borowick, added games—sack races, watermelon-eating contests, and wheelbarrow races—to the festivities.

Visitors are welcome. No services are offered in Belmont, so it's a good idea to fill up your tank in Tonopah, but the committee provides portable potties and a concession stand with hamburgers and hot dogs. Dirty Dick's Saloon, which is for sale and has been closed, will be open on the Fourth. The historic Belmont Inn, a bed-and-breakfast, has five rooms and a cabin. You also can stay in Tonopah or at RV parks in Round

Youths and adults join the July 4 parade in Belmont (top). Opposite page: Belmont Courthouse (top left); Sheriff Thomas W. Logan's silver sheriff's badge (top right); James Darrough in front of Belmont's jail cell (bottom).

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Mountain, 69 miles west and north on State Route 376.

Belmont boomed for 20 years after the discovery of silver in 1865 and folks rushed to the Nye County mining camp. Citizens convinced the Nevada Legislature to change the county seat from Ione to Belmont, which in 1867 boasted 2,000 residents. But by the time the two-story brick courthouse—now a Nevada state historic park—was constructed in 1876, Belmont was on the decline.

At 7,440 feet, Belmont is pleasant in the summer. Visitors who enjoy quiet afternoons can stroll among crumbling masonry ruins and the town's cemetery. Tours of the courthouse can be arranged by emailing ejohnson@cccomm.net or by calling 775-867-3001.



PHOTOS: MATT SMITH (BADGE), IRENE EGGERT (BOTTOM)



murder in manhattan

Nye County's "fearless sheriff" was gunned down in 1906.

One-time Nye County sheriff Thomas W. Logan, my great-grandfather, was revered as a lawman who kept the peace by relying on his even temper and ability to size a man up. He was best known, however, for having his life cut short by four bullets fired by an unsavory character.

Elected in 1899, Great-grandpa occupied an office in the Belmont Courthouse, dividing his time between there and the rest of the county. Following his death at age 45, the *Tonopah Daily Sun* wrote: "The man did not know what fear was, and he always tried to stop trouble by a peaceful means, although there was no better hand with a gun than he."

The final altercation came on April 7, 1906. The sheriff was reported to be convalescing from a wagon accident in Jewel House, a Manhattan bordello owned by his friend, May Biggs. At about 5 a.m. a well known thug, Walter Berieau, began causing trouble. Great-grandpa was called to eject him.

The *Sun* reported that "Logan sprang forward and, clasping Berieau by the shoulders, threw him into the street. No sooner had the sheriff released his hold upon the drunken man than the latter pulled his gun, an automatic revolver, and opened fire on the officer...[even though wounded] Logan set upon Berieau and beat him over the head with his own gun." Help arrived, and Berieau was taken away. Great-grandpa died at the Jewel House.

Later, a controversy arose about Great-grandpa's relationship to Biggs, and Berieau was acquitted. But at the time, the county mourned its beloved sheriff, and the *Sun* wrote, "The body of Nye County's fearless sheriff was laid to rest under a wilderness of smiling flowers."

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Slow cooking gives Phred'z and Lucille's a smoky Southern flair

BY JOYCE HOLLISTER

WHEN THE SMOKE IS BILLOWING alongside Phred'z Restaurant and Catering in Elko, you know it's Thursday. That's the day owner Fred Smith barbecues outside—no matter what the weather.

Phred'z meats—back ribs, pork loin, and sirloin—are slow cooked over mesquite charcoal on a smoker. "This is real barbecue, not a grill. It's enclosed," Smith explains. The closed-cover cooking makes the meat tender, and his homemade sauces and rubs add an intense flavor. "The rub's the key," he says. "I could tell you the ingredients, but the list is too long."

Phred'z also has catfish, chicken, pan-fried steak, and blackened steak and halibut. Side dishes include Dutch-oven beans, salads, coleslaw, and corn on the cob. "We do a lot of Cajun here, a lot of gumbos, too," Smith says. "It's kind of exotic in a way [for Elko], but it's starting to catch on."

Smith's specialty is a Cajun-style main dish cooked "Phred'z Way" in a Dutch oven. Onions, garlic, mushrooms, and herbs and spices—diners choose hot or mild—are sautéed in the pot, then pieces of catfish, chicken, steak, or scampi are simmered in the juices until tender. Cooked rice or potatoes and a handful of shrimp are tossed in just before serving.

PHOTO: CHARLIE EKBURG



Smith landed in Ely after leaving the military in 1968 and moved to Elko in 1994. He learned to cook from his mother and grandmother in his hometown of Kansas City, but while he was in the service, he became interested in Southern cooking. "We have people coming here from the South who rave over the catfish and barbecue," Smith says.

Like they are at Phred'z, smoke and slow cooking are the hallmarks at Lucille's Smokehouse Bar-B-Que in Henderson. From the moment you step out of your car, you can smell the mouth-watering aroma of meat cooking over burning hickory wood. The restaurant is located in The District at Green Valley Ranch shopping mall.

Lucille's, a Western chain also with outlets in California and Arizona, occasionally has live music, and diners can eat indoors or out. Baby back ribs, St. Louis spare ribs, beef ribs, chicken, brisket, and tri tip are slow cooked from two to 12 hours, and then basted with mops or sauces and grilled.

Georgia-born comedian George Wallace, who often plays Las Vegas, places Lucille's in his top 10 favorite barbecue restaurants, saying the bread pudding "is the world's best. It is to die for."

Lucille's specialties include jambalaya, New Orleans gumbo, and braised short ribs. Seafood takes the form of pan-blackened catfish and barbecued black tiger shrimp. Appetizers and sides also reflect the restaurant's Southern roots, with fried green tomatoes, creamy cheese grits, honey-roasted peanut slaw, and Southern sweet potatoes and braised greens.

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Opposite page: Fred Smith, owner of Phred'z in Elko, lays some ribs in the smoker. Above: Lucille's in Henderson offers a combo plate of ribs, chicken, and hot links.



summertime is grill time

'Tis the season to eat, drink, and be merry in the backyard

BY MATTHEW B. BROWN

AMERICANS LOVE FOOD, and there's nothing like a good meal that's ready in a snap. That's why man invented the grill, the quick-and-easy alternative to slow cooking, or "real barbecue," as purists like to call it. After all, when you invite your friends over for a backyard powwow, you want to socialize, not spend all your time checking on your meat and veggies.

With more than 300 sunny days per year common in any Nevada city or town, all you have to do is check the forecast for the next wave of clear skies. Nevada boasts a healthy offering of perfect evenings to host a gathering around the grill, but let's not kid ourselves, summertime is grill time.

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Bowar, who represents the Famous Dave's in Coon Rapids, Minnesota, will be at the Rib Cook-off in Sparks, Aug. 29 to Sept. 3 (**nuggetribcookoff.com**).

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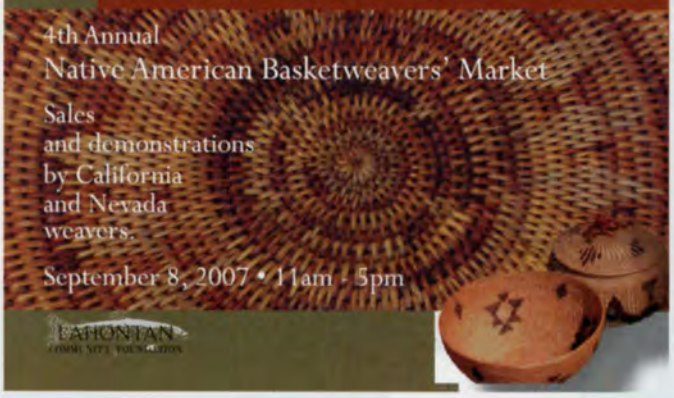
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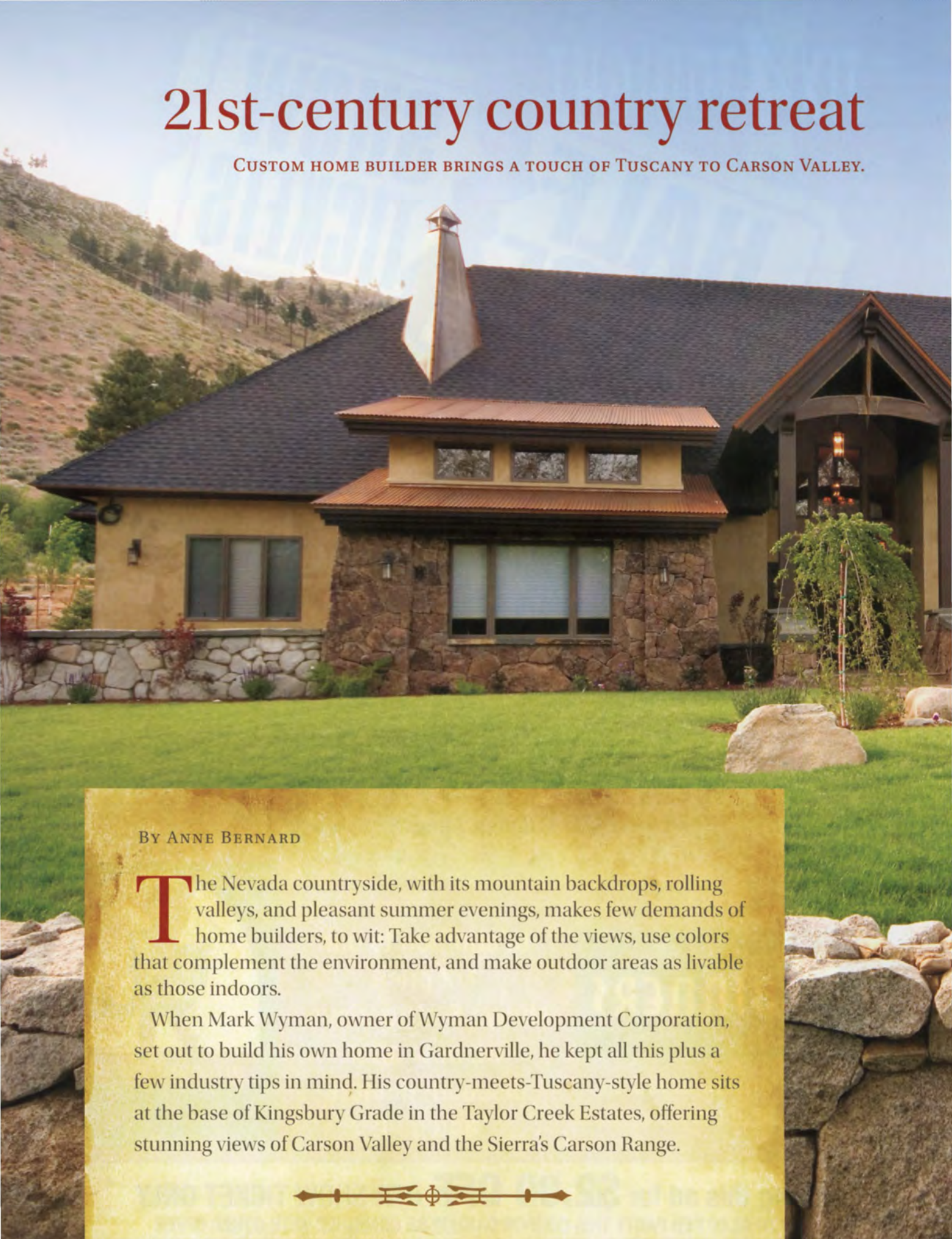
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By Anne Bernard

The Nevada countryside, with its mountain backdrops, rolling valleys, and pleasant summer evenings, makes few demands of home builders, to wit: Take advantage of the views, use colors that complement the environment, and make outdoor areas as livable as those indoors.

When Mark Wyman, owner of Wyman Development Corporation, set out to build his own home in Gardnerville, he kept all this plus a few industry tips in mind. His country-meets-Tuscany-style home sits at the base of Kingsbury Grade in the Taylor Creek Estates, offering stunning views of Carson Valley and the Sierra's Carson Range.

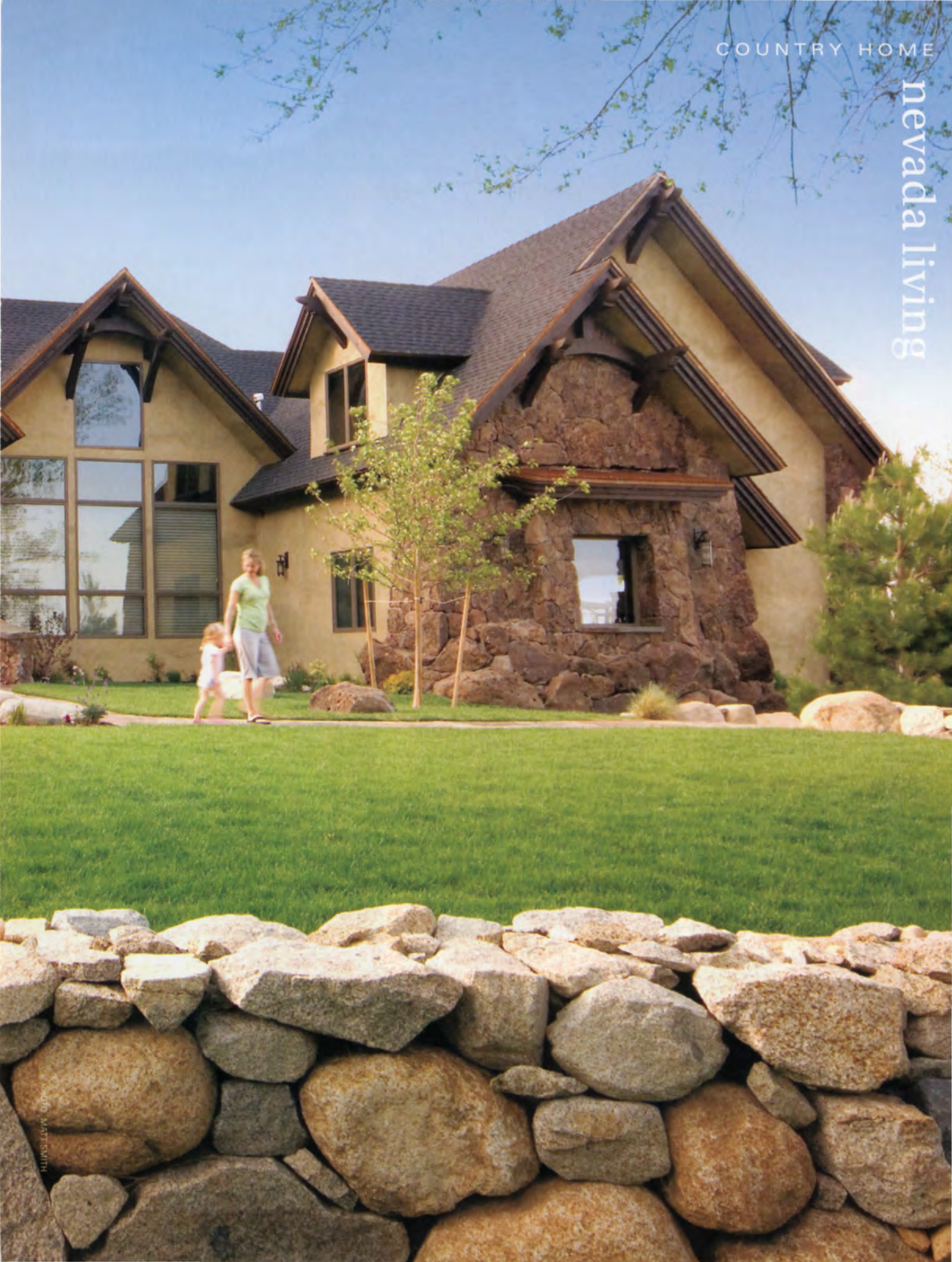


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Carson Valley introduces new residents to all of Nevada's best features. Green ranch land gives way to dramatic mountain slopes, revealing the region's rich agricultural history as well as accessibility to outdoor activities, which include hiking, biking, climbing, horseback riding, river rafting, and golf. Down the street from the Wymans' home, David Walley's Resort offers six natural hot mineral spring pools, tennis, and a spa. A mere 20-minute drive can land you in historic Carson City, Tahoe's world-class casinos, or at the base of several premier ski areas. Yet, all of this might be moot if you live in a house like the Wymans'—with a setting as nice as theirs, you may never want to leave.

According to Wyman, their 1.3 acres of land once were part of an old ranch. "The farmhouse was where our front yard is now, and all of the apple trees, mulberries, and cottonwoods around our driveway were planted back then." Wyman and his neighbors are accustomed to seeing deer, bears, and the occasional mountain lion roaming the well-manicured lawns. Although the energy and lights of Tahoe's south shore glow on the horizon, there is no question that this spot is rural.

Wyman, who grew up in Wyoming, applied his country preferences to the home's design. "Mark retooled the blueprints after the architect was done with them," says his wife, Krista. "He gave the house some of its most interesting details."

Custom touches range from a farmhouse-style soapstone sink in the kitchen to floorboards that were imported from an old barn on the East Coast. The 30-foot-tall fireplace in the great room comprises stones that have been beveled—rather than squared off—to fit together naturally. This architectural honesty, exposing the structure of the house, also is evident in the wooden beams lining the ceiling and supporting the frame.

While many of the rustic nuances are subtle—the beams were hand-weathered with the tip of a nail for a "woodpecker" effect—the house's Italian flavor is more pronounced. Every wall has been hand-painted with a faux finish, and the cabinets have been treated to look worn and cherished. Murals by artist Russell Blackburn break up large walls and quietly bring a taste of Tuscany to Nevada.

The Wymans are moving on, however, and their 4,500-square-foot house—with its three bedrooms, three-and-a-half baths, and three-car garage—was set to go on the market this spring, with an asking price at the time of $2.5 million.

One of the notable characteristics of the house is the way it pays homage to height and space without sacrificing coziness. In the great room, tall, single-pane windows reveal Carson Valley's signature landmark, Job's Peak, and fill the area with natural light. It is the perfect party room—offering plenty of space to mingle or sit in close proximity to the kitchen. Outside, the large, backyard slate patio features a hearth that accommodates four-foot logs and meets a roof extension at its apex.



"The outdoor fireplace gives off a ton of heat," says Krista. "And with the protection of the portico, we can keep comfortable furniture out here instead of regular old patio chairs. Plus, it's all wired to hook up to a great big gas grill. We've had a lot of fun out here roasting marshmallows with our daughters."

Intermingled with the house's country features are all of the amenities and high-quality finishes that modern home owners appreciate. These include marble counter tops, travertine bathroom floors, surround-sound wiring, stainless steel kitchen appliances, two wet bars, and a six-nozzle shower, to name a few. The house is, without a doubt, a tribute to 21st-century country living.

PERSONAL TOUCHES

If you were a custom home builder, how would you customize your own abode? Wyman implemented a few of his ideas:

- Solid, two-ton block of manmade stone hangs above kitchen stove.
- Handcrafted metal spear point decorates front portico.
- "Smart house" setup controls music, TV, and DVDs.
- Stair banister's iron bars are hand-hammered at the corners for texture.
- Upstairs hallway features two computer areas.
- One bedroom has views of Carson Valley and Job's Peak.

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BY ANNE BERNARD

If you take a guided bus or boat tour of Lake Tahoe this summer, you'll likely find yourself stopped outside the "Villa Costa," a 20,000-square-foot abode at Zephyr Cove, on the lake's east shore. Your guide will tell you that when the home was originally completed in 1963, it was called the "Villa Harrah," after then-owner and gambling pioneer William Fisk Harrah.

You might also hear that Harrah was well known for securing big-name headliners—Frank Sinatra, Sammy Davis Jr., Judy Garland, Bill Cosby, Wayne Newton, and Dean Martin, among others—for his Mint Club at South Lake Tahoe. The casino owner made fast friends with these stars, and Harrah built his estate, you'll learn, as a haven for them. He rarely stayed there himself.

Harrah's house, for which he paid $23 million, occupied 17,000 square feet across four lots. Underground tunnels protected his famous guests as they made their way to the swimming pool, two beaches, and the dock where Harrah tied up his classic wooden powerboat, *Thunderbird*. The basement ballroom provided stars with secluded entertainment. At one of his favorite soirées, a Hawaiian luau, he gave a bottle of liquor to every one of his neighbors. Until his death in 1978, Harrah was fond of throwing parties for his friends.

Richard Costa, who renovated the house shortly after purchase in 1993 and now has plans to sell it, went to great lengths to maintain the home's rich history. But, as with everything else that hopes to stand the test of time, updates were inevitable. Costa's two biggest changes were adding a second story and reducing the house's size to make it fit on the two middle lots. The remaining two lots were sold and are separate residences.

Costa says that, where possible, he wanted "everything to look exactly the same as the day I bought it." Where he has added a wall, for example, he installed a mirror to convey the idea of open space. Many of the chandeliers hanging throughout the home are original. He avoided tell-tale signs of renovation by matching the house's first-floor exterior features on his second-floor addition.

Some changes, however, are entirely Costa's. The kitchen, for one—with Brazilian blue granite on its counter tops, two dining tables, a hibachi-style cooking area, and a breakfast

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booth with a lake view—was designed specifically for Costa, an amateur chef. The stadium-seating theater, game room, and small bathroom featuring one of Harrah's original fixtures were added with Costa's grandchildren in mind. The new upstairs master bedroom features separate his-and-her bathrooms, a sitting room, and a black granite fireplace.

Costa is proud of the history his home protects. "Wayne Newton's dog scratched that piece of wood," he says. Or, "A piece of Tony Orlando's hair was stuck to the suede paneling we reused in a guest room." In an upstairs bedroom, pillows sewn by Liberace's mother adorn the bed and settee. It is said that people always knew when Bill Cosby was around because his cigar smoke filled the house and tunnels.



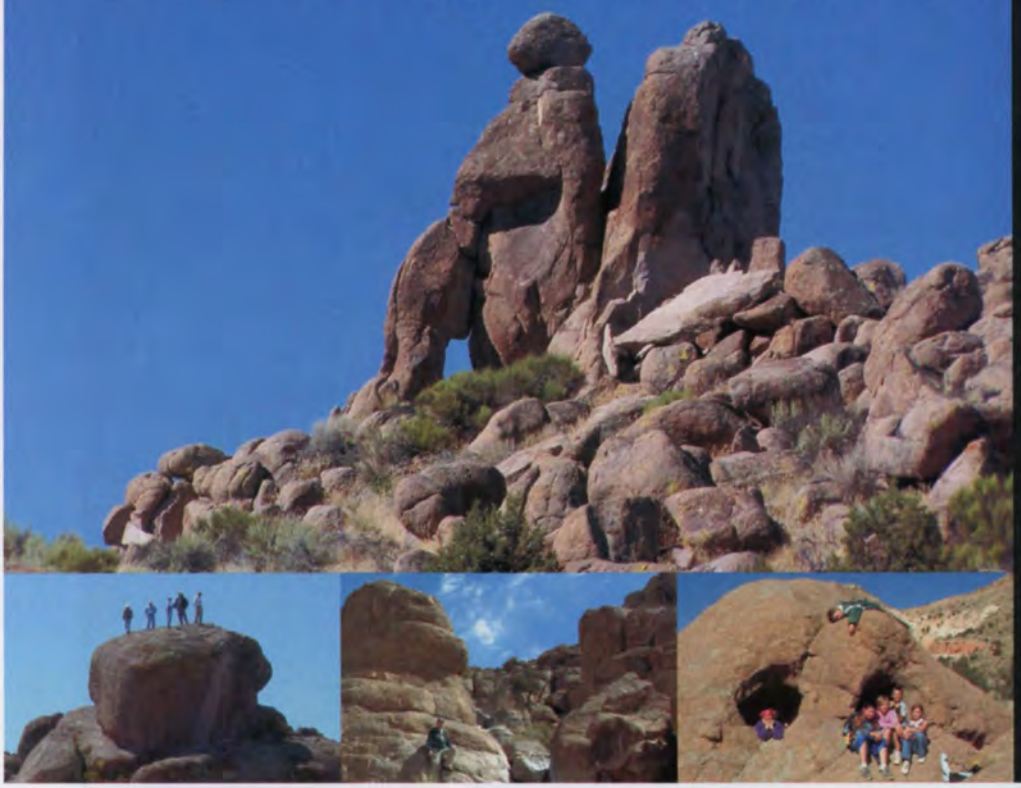
Priced at $32.5 million, the "Villa Costa" will not likely sell quickly, and that's OK with Costa. He hopes that when it does change hands, the new owners will appreciate it as much as he and his family have: "You're not just buying a home here. You're buying a piece of history."

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The Villa Costa (top) sits on Lake Tahoe; Costa's custom kitchen (above).

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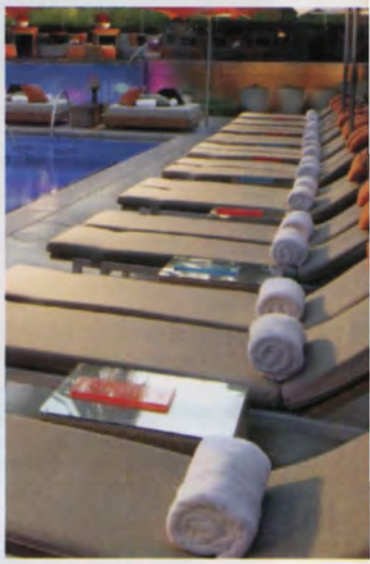
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The hot Las Vegas sun shines down on these pools, where lounge chairs, day beds, and palm trees beckon guests. Left, bikini-clad bathers at the Palms pool; top, Mandalay Bay's main pool; above, Bare at the Mirage. Opposite page, the Red Rock Casino, Resort, and Spa's pool lights up.



poolside pleasure

Relax during the day and save your energy for a fun-filled night.

BY STACY SEITZINGER

IN LAS VEGAS, LOUNGING BY THE POOL IS AN EVENT. Sandy beaches, lagoons, and tropical isles offer grotto bars, waterfalls, flaming fire pits, and gaming at your fingertips. You can bite into a frozen grape or sip a martini of your own design. You can glide through the waters of a private lap pool or stretch out on a pillowy day bed and nosh on caviar and champagne. When night falls, you might not have to bother changing into evening wear. At some Vegas hotel pools, you can lounge the day away, then dance all night.

the look





European bathing is *de rigueur* at Mandalay Bay's Moorea (top), where the 21-and-over crowd is separated from the main pool area. Below, the Palms pool turns into a high-tech entertainment spot when the sun goes down.

> The lineup for Mandalay Bay's Concerts on the Beach includes LeAnn Rimes, Pat Benatar, and Los Lonely Boys.

At the Palms you can relax in a world of titanium and Mediterranean cool. There are three pools, three bars—one of which is situated beneath a glass-bottomed pool—and two waterfalls that cascade over glass and steel. The main bar area is peppered with specialty stools, gaming tables, and large-screen TVs. Day beds upholstered in warm reds and yellows surround the largest pool, and the creamsicle-colored Chill Lounge awaits in ankle-deep water facing the main bar and concert stage. Cave cabanas include personal wait staffs and entertainment centers. On Fridays, the Palms invites locals to skip work. The party, appropriately called "Ditch Friday," goes on until early evening with DJs and a barbecue. Special events and concerts during the summer turn this hot spot into a nightclub.

Just as night turns into day at the Palms, the pool at the Mirage beckons with its interconnecting lagoons, cliffs, waterfalls, and grottos—all set against a backdrop of lush tropical foliage that adds to the illusion of a South Pacific escape. You can celebrate the adult side of Las Vegas at Bare Pool Lounge, the Mirage's European bathing experience, which means topless guests are welcome. The atmosphere is one of hip sophistication, accented by DJ-spun music. The pool is lined with lounge chairs and lavish cabanas, with a full bar at one end and a see-through hot tub at the other.

A different kind of cool can be experienced in the heart of Red Rock Casino, Resort, and Spa. Bright reds, deep blues, and crisp whites create an inviting poolside lounge. Hotel guests can indulge in one of four dipping pools, float around in the main pool with its interactive fountain, or play blackjack at Sandbar Grille. With its blend of Morocco and Miami, this pool is a gem. "Cabeds" and private cabanas offer relief from the sun. At night, Red Rock gives you the chance to stay wet and cool in the pool outside the nightclub Cherry. Area DJs provide the beats, and a wall of windowed doors opens onto a deck filled with lanterns, cushy beds, and plush lounge chairs framing the pool.

If you don't want your day to end, visit Moorea at Mandalay Bay. European bathing is followed by music, dancing, and drinks for the 21-and-over crowd. Moorea is separated from the main pool by a bank of glass, with its own pool, bar, and oversized hot tub. You also can hang out by the wave pool, float down the lazy river, or sunbathe on the beach. Mandalay spreads out the cabanas so that you can choose which area you would like to be your home base. The lineup for 2007 Concerts on the Beach includes LeAnn Rimes, Pat Benatar, and Los Lonely Boys performing on the Mandalay Beach Stage.

The Hard Rock is another hotel offering adult day-into-evening events with Friday Night Live, a concert by the pool featuring entertainers like Jet, LL Cool J, The Donnas, and Dread Zeppelin. The Hard Rock's Sunday Rehab parties allow locals to join hotel guests from noon until after the sun goes down. You can't go wrong with more than three acres of pool connected by a man-made river. In the sandy beach area grass huts serve as bars, and guests can stroll through the shallow water to a game of low-stakes blackjack, get a massage by the pool, or order food and drinks from the Pink Taco.

Day or night, there's a pool party waiting to be discovered in Las Vegas.





You can order your favorite tropical concoction at the Mirage's poolside Dolphin Bar (top). Above, tables fill up alongside the Mandalay Bay pool when top bands perform during Concerts on the Beach.

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BY JOAN PATTERSON

Clubbing attire takes on a whole new meaning when the fun is moved poolside. We're talking shorts, swimsuits, and slinky summer outfits that reveal plenty of skin—from head to toe.

Instead of fretting over every little flaw of that beautiful birthday suit, relax. In fact, go to a spa where salon services include everything from spray-on tans to hair extensions and pampering treatments such as body scrubs that leave the skin smooth and radiant.

Most spas even have fitness programs for those Type As who would rather see their results from breaking a sweat. Whatever the method, "lounging" around the pool has never looked so good.

Wet: The Spa at TI

It only seems fitting that a hotel fronted by a mock ocean and pirate ships should re-christen its spa "Wet" in 2006 and bathe the décor in sea greens and pale blues. Wet also is in tune with the body clocks of today's late-night partiers. The spa is open until 10 p.m. from Thursday to Saturday, offering a full range of services for those who are just getting the night started and want to hit the poolside clubs looking their best.

"We are definitely seeing people coming in at night, and the word is getting out that we're open later," notes TI's spa manager Kesia Rios.

The nighttime "Wet p.m." menu is dripping with names such as Happy Hour, a body scrub with "a scented lotion chaser," and an airbrush tan called the Bronze Bombshell. A treatment called The Heiress includes a body scrub laced with gold and a final dusting of, yes, real gold dust, Rios says. A cellulite treatment, hair extensions, and pedicures with Swarovski crystals also are among the choices. (3300 S. Las Vegas Blvd., Las Vegas. treasureisland.com, 702-894-7474)

The Spa at Red Rock

For those who see outdoor adventure as the optimal way to stay in shape for a summer of club-hopping, one of the best places to start is The Spa at Red Rock, located inside the Red Rock Casino, Resort, and Spa.





Before hitting the nightclub or pool, indulge in a relaxing spa treatment. All photos at left: WET at TI. Right: The Spa at Siena





The Spa at Red Rock offers horseback riding and rock climbing packages.

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Of course there are plenty of opportunities to relax and be pampered. You can mountain bike in the morning, then in the afternoon have a Champagne Pedicures and Caviar Creams treatment—you sip champagne while your tootsies are slathered with a nutrient-rich caviar lotion.

Then there's the couple's package which includes a private suite, massages, and chocolate-covered strawberries—a nice way to spend the evening before heading out on the town. (11011 W. Charleston Blvd., Las Vegas. redrocklasvegas.com, 702-797-7878)

The Spa at Siena

This cozy spa inside one of Reno's boutique hotels, the Siena Hotel, Spa, and Casino, is not only a tranquil place to unwind, it also offers a full menu of services.

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You can pamper yourself and prepare for the evening ahead with the Chocolate Mint Body Polish with its chocolate exfoliate, chocolate shea butter cream, and complimentary chocolate martini—for drinking, that is.

The spa also has a fitness center with resistance and cardio equipment and an outdoor lap pool.

With its hardwood floors, overstuffed chairs, and Italian archways, The Spa at Siena is a feast for the eyes, and rumor has it the tranquility room, where guests unwind before and after treatments, is so peaceful some don't want to leave.

"You get a quaint, personal feeling here. It's a real one-to-one experience," says Lori Zupancic, the spa's manager. (One S. Lake St., Reno. sienareno.com, 775-321-5868)

WORTH A VISIT

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BEST OF NEVADA

10TH ANNUAL POLL

Nevada Magazine readers choose their favorite places, stars, and attractions.









Fountains dance at Bellagio, Best Hotel in Las Vegas (left). At right, from the top: Rita Rudner, Best Entertainer; sea bass at Harrah's Laughlin Range Steakhouse, Best Gourmet Restaurant and Place to Take a Date; Lake Tahoe, Best Park/Nature Area.

Of the readers, by the readers, and for the readers: The results of the 10th annual Best of Nevada readers' poll are in.

Among the best hotels in the state are five repeats: Carson Valley Inn, Harrah's Lake Tahoe, CasaBlanca in Mesquite, Reno's Peppermill, and Harrah's Laughlin. However, several 2007 entertainment winners are newcomers, including Best Entertainer Rita Rudner and Best Comedian Amazing Johnathan, both of whom play in Las Vegas.

In the dining category are a few favorites, such as Cactus Petes Plateau Steaks & Seafood, Best Rural Gourmet Restaurant, and Rio Carnival World Buffet, Best Buffet in Las Vegas. This year, Adele's Restaurant and Lounge broke in as Best Gourmet Restaurant and Best Place to Take a Date in Carson City.

Following is the complete list of winners, voted as Nevada's best by readers who marked the ballot inserted into the March/April 2007 issue of *Nevada Magazine*.

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varietytheater.com, 702-932-1818

Best Adult Revue
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NORTH
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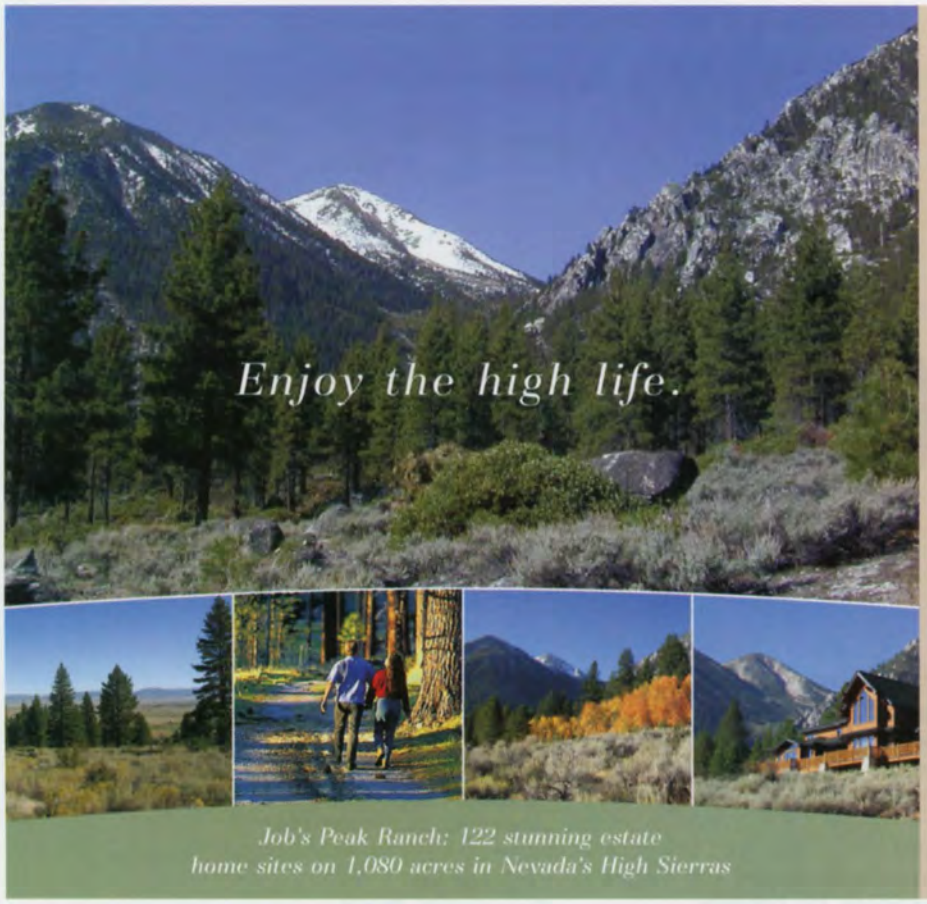
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Q&A
with Bobby Julich

Cyclist seeks redemption in the 2007 Tour de France.

Reno resident Bobby Julich's Tour de France résumé epitomizes the topsy-turvy nature of professional cycling. In 1998, he stood on the podium after finishing third overall in the world's most prestigious road race. Last year, a horrific crash robbed Julich of an opportunity to achieve his lifelong goal, to win a stage of "Le Tour" and wear the famed yellow jersey.

From July 7 to 29, the 35-year-old Julich, a Team CSC rider who earned a bronze medal in the 2004 Olympic individual time trial, will compete in what could be his last Tour de France. In the near future he will give up the travel-weary life of a pro cyclist to devote more time to his family, wife Angela and daughters Olivia, four, and Chloe, nine months.

Julich has owned a home in Reno since 1999. In April, while he spent time at his second home in Nice, France, Julich spoke with *Nevada Magazine* associate editor Matthew B. Brown.

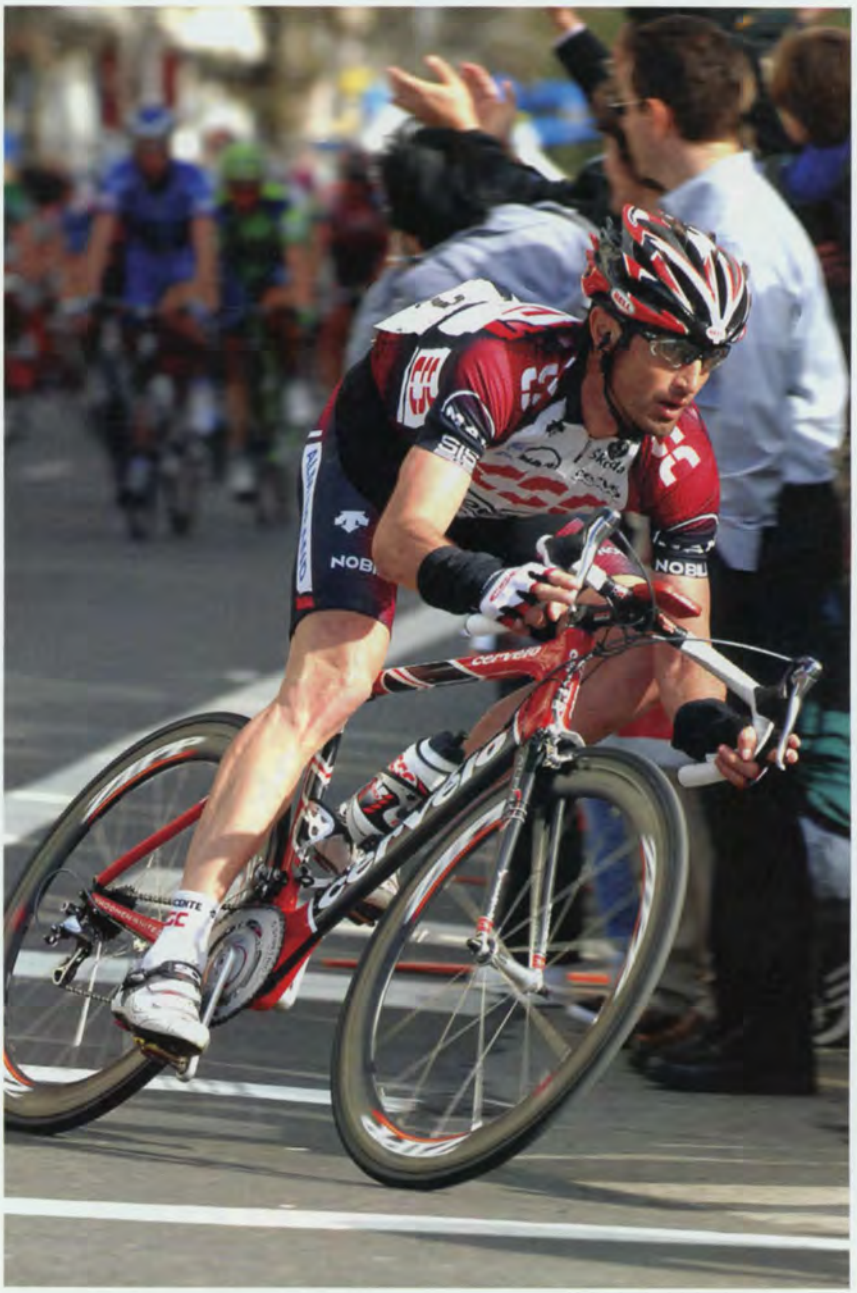


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NEVADA ONLINE

For more of the interview with Bobby Julich, including his thoughts on the doping scandal that overshadowed the 2006 Tour de France, visit **nevadamagazine.com**.

Q Why did you buy a home in Reno?

A This is a perfect location for me to be based—to train at altitude and be close to a big airport. [I live] in Galena—right on the tree line. I needed to live at least at 6,000 feet, and that was the only place in the area I could live at 6,000 feet and still get to my house year-round. We don't get too slammed with snow. It was a very easy decision for me to move there. My wife and I just fell in love with the area.

Q So the Reno-Tahoe training conditions are ideal for most of the races you do?

A I think it's perfect. The altitude is the first and foremost reason why I moved there. The long, steady climbs are perfect for building up during the offseason, improving your base and conditioning miles, and getting ready for the European season. You can really work on your anaerobic system. It's usually really sunny—once in a while we have a lot of wind, but I just love being outdoors. Being in the area is just...the best.

Q What would be a good route for a Tour of Nevada?

A It would be focused around Truckee, Geiger Grade, Mount Rose Highway, and then a really cool criterium in downtown Reno. They used to have a criterium in the Coors Classic. It was at night, and they had all the casino lights on, and everyone was out there watching. It was really a festive sort of thing. It would be really cool to have a stage in downtown Reno under the Silver Legacy bridge.

Q Your 2006 Tour de France ended prematurely when you crashed and broke your wrist. What happened?

A It was bizarre. I felt so good the day or two before the time trial, and then in the warmup I never expected to get up to the speed that I was going so quickly. My wheels slid out and I [wrecked] into the curb. It was 100 percent my fault. So I still have that ride inside of me, and I have to get it out before I retire or that day will always haunt me. Hopefully I'll be able to turn it around in the Tour de France this year. It's motivated me to come back at least one more time.

Q Is your goal always to win the Tour de France, or do you set your sights on smaller victories, like winning a stage or helping someone on your team win?

A My days of putting pressure on myself to win the Tour are long gone. My goals in the Tour are to be there to support the leaders we have, which this year will be Carlos Sastre and Fränk Schleck, and go for a stage win. I've let go of the overall goal of winning the Tour de France. I realize at 35 that's going to be difficult to do.

Q It has been said that you're considering retiring when your contract with Team CSC expires after the 2007 season. What will determine whether or not you decide to keep competing?

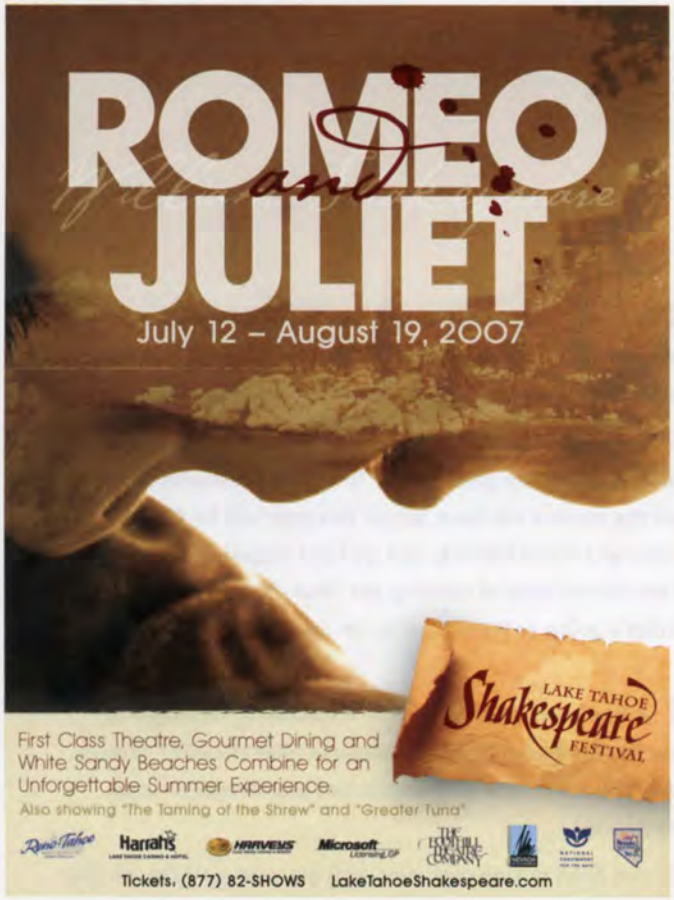
A I've been talking that over with my wife, and I'm leaning toward the 2008 Olympics because 2004 was a fantastic experience. I want to experience the Olympic spirit all over again. If I can do it, that would be great. I'd like to qualify.

Q You were on the Motorola team with Lance Armstrong in the mid-'90s.

A Yeah, that was a long time ago, like another life.

Q Is there a specific experience that stands out when you think of Armstrong?

A The first day I met him, we were 17 years old. I was the big junior at that time, and he was a triathlete that came into our training camp at the last minute. We were doing intervals in Colorado Springs at the Olympic Training Center. We got done with, I think it was a 10-minute, full-gas interval, just the two of us. I pulled as hard as I could, and he pulled as hard as he could, and I was absolutely thanking the Lord when the interval was over. And Lance looked at me and was like, "Come on, let's keep going! Keep going! Let's go again! Let's go again!" Right then and there I looked at him, and I thought to myself, "This is the strongest guy I've ever seen, and I hope there's not many more like him or else I have no future in this sport." Fifteen years later I'm still here, so there weren't too many guys stronger than him around.



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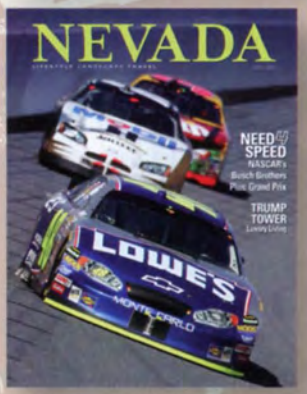


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Check the listings for more headliners & special events.





- The Great American Race stops July 12 in Laughlin
- "The Producers" continues at Paris Las Vegas



MONDAY 2

Cultural Party

National Basque Festival's dancing & games of strength thru today in Elko.

775-738-5386
elkocva.com

TUESDAY 3

Happy Birthday, USA!

Nevada celebrates Fourth of July with parties, parades, & fireworks. See events listing for community contact information.



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"Fade Into Light"

R&B artist Boz Scaggs plays the Grand Sierra Resort July 8 in Reno.

775-789-2285
grandsierraresort.com



15

Tunes at Tahoe

Craig Chaquico headlines during the Tahoe Music Festival, July 14-Aug. 4.

530-581-1184
tahoemusic.com



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Living-History Portrayals

Great Basin Chautauqua, thru the 19th in Reno, includes J.S. Bach & Scott Joplin.

775-784-6587
nevadahumanities.org



23

From the Master

A display of Picasso's ceramic sculptures is on display at Bellagio Gallery thru Jan. 14.

702-693-7851
bellagio.com



24

29

"Waking Up Laughing"

Singer Martina McBride headlines tonight at Harveys Lake Tahoe.

775-588-2411
ticketmaster.com

30

On His Toes

Mikhail Baryshnikov appears tonight during Reno's Artown.

775-322-1538
pioneercenter.com



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THURSDAY 5

Something for Everyone

Artown, Reno's month-long arts festival, has more than 350 events.

775-322-1538
renoisartown.com



7

The Name Says It All

Great Eldorado Brews & Blues Festival is in Reno today.

800-648-5966
eldoradoreno.com

11

Silly Jelly Fish

The Hudson Vagabond Puppets perform the 11th & 13th in Vegas.

702-229-6383, 701-229-6211
artslasvegas.org



13

"Shrew," "Romeo," & "Tuna"

Sand Harbor's Shakespeare Festival under the stars.

800-74-SHOWS
laketahoeshakespeare.com

14

Spidey in Vegas

Spiderman is the latest wax figure on display at Madame Tussauds Las Vegas.

702-862-7800
mtvegas.com



19

Country, Folk, & Blues

Katy Moffatt & Andrew Hardin appear July 20 in Eureka, July 21 in Winnemucca.

775-237-6006, 775-623-3197
co.eureka.nv.us, gbae.org



21

Hot Sounds

Grammy Award-winning jazz artist Poncho Sanchez plays tonight at Harrah's Reno.

775-322-1538
renoisartown.com

25

World of Wonder

Leland Faulkner performs Japanese art forms July 25 & 27 in Las Vegas.

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artslasvegas.org



27

Bang-Up Good Time

The percussion show, "Stomp Out Loud," vibrates Planet Hollywood Las Vegas.

702-785-9155
planethollywoodresort.com

28

Topless Exhibit

'50s convertibles are at Reno's National Automobile Museum.

775-333-9300
automuseum.org

PHOTO: JOAN MARCUS ("STOMP")

calendar

EDITOR'S CHOICES

Check the listings for more headliners & special events.





- George Lopez, Las Vegas Hilton, Aug. 3-4
- Sol'Jibe, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Aug. 29

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
	6 **Hot Rods & Poodle Skirts** Hot August Nights celebrates classic cars & 1950s & '60s music Aug. 5-12 in Reno. **775-356-1956** **hotaugustnights.net**	7 **"Jesus Christ Superstar"** Outdoor performances of the musical are Aug. 8-11, 15-18, 22-25 in Vegas. **702-594-PLAY** **supersummertheatre.com**
12 **Bonneville Speed Week** Fast cars & motorcycles attempt land-speed records thru the 17th in Wendover. **775-664-2214** **westwendovercity.com**		14 **Reserve Your Seat** Tickets are on sale for Kelly Clarkson's Sept. 29 date at MGM Grand in Vegas. **702-474-4000** **ticketmaster.com**
	20 **Burning Man Exhibit** Costume & culture photos on display at Reno's Nevada Museum of Art. **775-329-3333** **nevadaart.org**	21 **Nevada State Fair** There's motocross, carnival, destruction derby, & home arts Aug. 22-26 in Reno. **775-688-5767** **nvstatefair.com**
	27 **Labor Day Weekend** Rural Nevada has unique events to celebrate the holiday, Aug. 31-Sept. 3. Check the listings for events & locations.	

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WEDNESDAY 1

Valhalla festival at Tahoe

Arts & music events are on selected dates, Aug. 1-29.

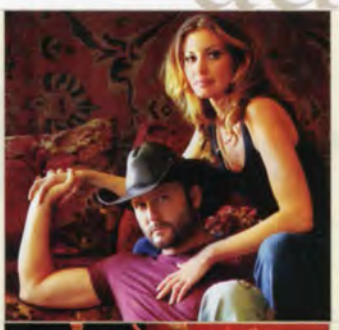
530-541-5975
valhallatahoe.com

THURSDAY 2

"Bodies" & "Titanic"

The two Vegas exhibitions run thru Sept. 3 at the Tropicana.

702-739-2411
tropicanalv.com



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Country Duo

Tim McGraw & Faith Hill headline tonight at MGM Grand in Vegas.

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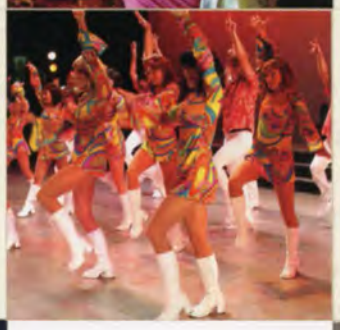


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Ruby Mountains Party

There's music, food, & a car parade during Jarbidge Days, Aug. 10-12.

775-488-2311 or email:
outdoorinn_jarbidge@yahoo.com



11

"Dancing Queen"

The Eldorado's new revue brings the music of Abba to Reno.

775-786-5700
eldoradoreno.com

15

Cool Show

"Ice," the Russian revue at the Riviera in Vegas, has skaters, comics, & acrobats.

702-794-9433
rivierahotel.com



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Blues News

Patti LaBelle to appear during the Reno/Tahoe Blues Festival, Sat. & Sun.

775-857-3378
renotahoebluesfest.com





23

Catching Air in Sparks

Competitors are ready for the Wakeboard World Championships, Fri.-Sun.

407-628-5662, ext. 1307
kingofwake.com



25

"Foiled"

Blue October rocks the beach at Mandalay Bay tonight in Vegas.

702-632-7580
mandalaybay.com

29

"The Beyoncé Experience"

Beyoncé performs tomorrow night at Harveys' outdoor arena in Tahoe.

775-588-2411
ticketmaster.com



31

Best in the West Ribs!

Darryl Worley & Sol' Jibe perform at the Nugget cook-off this weekend in Sparks.

800-648-1177
nuggetribcookoff.com

PHOTOS: SCOTT SADY (BEST OF THE WEST RIB COOK-OFF); BEVERLY DEGERO (JARBIDGE DAYS)



coconuts and killer rabbits

"Monty Python s Spamalot" clip-clops into Wynn Las Vegas

BY ANN HENDERSON

"SPAMALOT" AT WYNN LAS VEGAS IS A FEAST for comedy and *Monty Python* fans—it's outrageously silly and wonderfully mad. The musical is 90 minutes of pure nonsense from the dancing and singing corpses ("He is Not Dead, Yet") to the Drive-Up Love Chapel, a take-off on Las Vegas' drive-through wedding chapel.

Pick your favorite from a string of sight gags: a misplaced Finnish "fish-slapping" scene, a white bunny in the form of a killer beast, and a stumbling ballet featuring a monk and a nun. Obviously, *Nevada Magazine* readers liked what they saw considering they voted the Arthurian spoof Best New Show in the 2007 Readers' Poll.

Set in 932 A.D., the tale follows King Arthur and his page, Patsy, as they clip-clop across the English countryside in search of knights for his roundtable. The sound made by coconut halves simulates horses' hooves, a Python trademark, and has its roots in the film version, *Monty Python and the Holy Grail*. The producers couldn't afford horses for the low-budget 1975 movie.

John O'Hurley as King Arthur leaves Camelot to find his Holy Grail, later commenting that, "Whatever happens in Camelot, stays in Camelot." O'Hurley, a live-theater veteran, expanded his fan base with a television role on *Seinfeld* and as a celebrity contestant and season-one finalist on *Dancing With the Stars*.

Arthur's love interest, the Lady of the Lake (Nikki Crawford), emerges with her Laker Girls for a rah-rah spirited dance number worthy of their basketball namesake. Sir Galahad calls the voluptuous Lady a "watery tart." Crawford later steps into the spotlight for the solo, "The Diva's Lament," in which she gripes that she's been off stage too long. "Whatever happened to my part?" she thunders. Her voice is powerful and has the audience cheering.

Arthur learns about his quest from the voice of John Cleese, one of the original members of *Monty Python*, a BBC television show from 1969 to 1974. "Of course it is a good idea, you twit. I'm God," Cleese booms. Arthur is directed to put on a Broadway musical, which launches a spoof of show-business stereotypes. Arthur is warned by Sir Robin that "You Won't Succeed on Broadway (if you don't have any Jews)."

Showgirls are interspersed throughout "Spamalot," from the Laker Girls to an MGM musical-esque number with tap dancers and spinning umbrellas—sort of a Middle-Ages-meets-*Singin' in the Rain*.

When the "Spamalot" entourage becomes lost in a "very expensive forest" (the trees are covered with dollar signs), they encounter the Black Knight, superbly played by Edward Staudenmayer. During a fight, the Black Knight's arm is lopped off. "It's only a flesh wound," he says. When he loses another limb, a monk strolls across the stage collecting "arms for the poor."

Silly and mad? You bet, but deliciously fun.



PHOTOS: CAROL ROSEGG

SHOW NOTES

"Monty Python's Spamalot" appears nightly except Thursday at Wynn Las Vegas. Show times are 7 and 10 p.m. Friday, Saturday, and Tuesday, and 8 p.m. Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday. Tickets cost $49-$99, which includes tax; beverages extra. (**wynnlasvegas.com**, 702-770-9966)

Former *Seinfeld* star John O'Hurley (above, middle) leads a zany cast in "Spamalot." At left: Nikki Crawford gives a powerful performance as Lady of the Lake.

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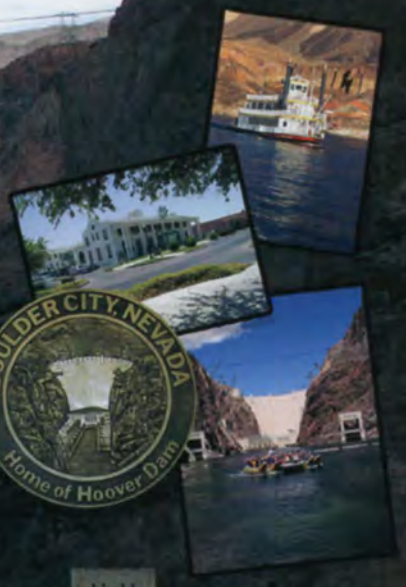
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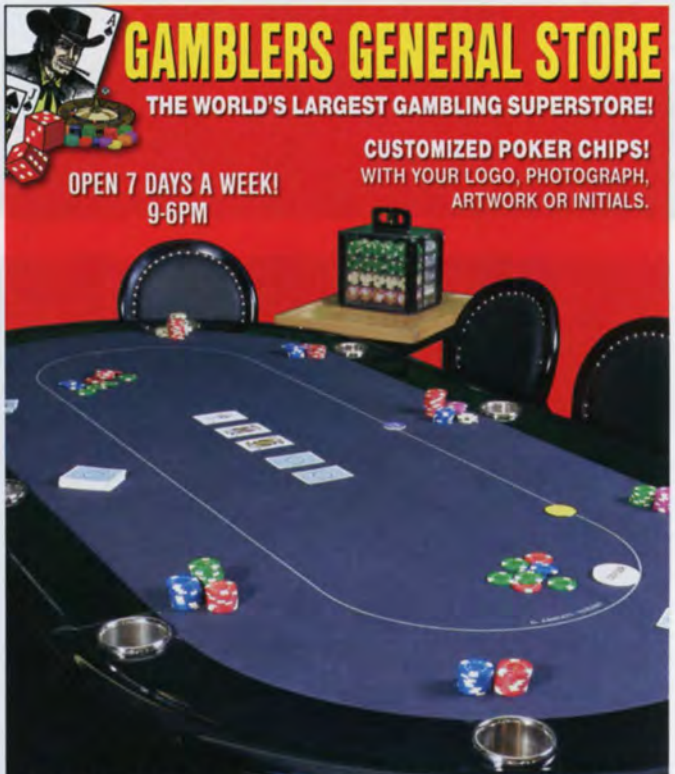
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Johnny Rivers, July 21
Pablo Cruise, Aug. 4
Jeffrey Osborne, Aug. 17
Night Ranger, Aug. 18
Summer Storm w/Norman Brown, Peabo Bryson, Marion Meadows, Jeff Lorber, Aug. 25
Little River Band, Aug. 31

ONGOING

Yellow Brick Road, Fri. & Sat.
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stationcasinos.com

CAESARS PALACE

HEADLINERS

Lionel Richie, July 5-6
Jerry Seinfeld, Aug. 3-4
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harrahs.com

ONGOING

Celine Dion in "A New Day...," July 1, Aug. 16-19, 22-26, 29-Sept. 2, 5-9, 20-23, 26-30
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HEADLINERS

Gino Vannelli, July 19-21

ONGOING

George Wallace, comedian
Toni Braxton: "Revealed"
"Second City," improv comedy
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goldennugget.com

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HEADLINERS

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Heart, Sept. 1-2

ONGOING

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Boz Scaggs, July 21
Martina McBride, July 27 &
Tears for Fears, July 27
Blue October, Aug. 25
Justin Timberlake, Sept. 1-2

ONGOING

"Mamma Mia!" Broadway musical, dark Fri.

HOUSE OF BLUES

HEADLINERS

Charlie Murphy w/Freeze Luv, July 6
Yellowcard w/Baywide, The Split Canvas, Meg & Dia, July 9
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Johnny Lang, July 27
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HEADLINERS

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Lewis Black, July 5-11
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Rodney Carrington, July 26-Aug. 1
Rush, July 28
Tim McGraw & Faith Hill, Aug. 4
Tom Jones, Aug. 9-15, Sept. 20-26

ONGOING

"KÀ," dark Sun.-Mon. & July 17, Sept. 9-17, Nov. 13
cirquedusoleil.com
"Crazy Horse Paris," adult revue
702-891-7777
mgmgrand.com

THE MIRAGE

HEADLINERS

David Spade, July 6-7, Aug. 17-18
Jay Leno, July 13-14, 27-28, Aug. 3-4, 24-25, Sept. 7-8, 28-29, Oct. 5-6, 19-20, Nov. 2-3, 9-10
Dana Carvey, July 20-21
Brad Garrett, Aug. 10-11, Sept. 14-15, Oct. 12-13, Nov. 16-17

ONGOING

"Love," dark Tues.-Wed. & Aug. 14-22, Oct. 11
cirquedusoleil.com
Danny Gans, impersonator, dark Sun.-Mon., Thurs. & July 3-4, Aug. 7-8

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thefestforbeatlesfans.com
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THE ORLEANS

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Bill Engvall, July 19-22
Jon Lovitz, July 27-29
Sole4Souls, July 30
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"Mesmerized," adult revue
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varietytheater.com
Steve Wyrick Entertainment Complex
Magician Steve Wyrick
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702-777-7794
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RIO ALL-SUITE HOTEL

ONGOING

Penn and Teller, comedy-magic show, dark Fri.
"Chippendales: The Show," male revue
"Tony n' Tina's Wedding," dinner theater
702-252-7776
harrahs.com

RIVIERA

ONGOING

"Ice," Russian ice show
"An Evening at La Cage," impersonators
"Crazy Girls" adult revue
Riviera Comedy Club
"Neil Diamond Tribute starring Jay White"
Hypnotist Dr. Scott Lewis, Mon.
"Barbra & Frank: Concert That Never Was"
"American Storm," male revue
702-734-5110
rivierahotel.com

SAHARA

ONGOING

"Matsuri, the Acrobatic Musical"
Amazing Johnathan
Platters, Drifters, & Coasters, nightly
Trent Carlini: The Dream King
702-737-2515
saharavegas.com

SANTA FE STATION

HEADLINERS

Craig Chaquico, July 14
Shawn Barker, "Man in Black," a tribute to Johnny Cash, Aug. 10-11
702-547-5300
stationcasinos.com

SILVERTON

HEADLINER

Bucky Covington, July 4
702-914-8557
silvertoncasino.com

SOUTH POINT

HEADLINERS

The Knack, July 1
Loverboy, July 6-8
Deana Carter, July 13-15
Patty Smyth & Scandal, July 20-22
Tony Orlando, Aug. 3-5
702-796-7111
southpointcasino.com

STRATOSPHERE

ONGOING

"American Superstars," tribute revue
"Bite," revue
702-382-4446
stratospherehotel.com

SUNCOAST

HEADLINERS

Dino starring Ricci Martin, June 29-July 1
The Platters featuring Sonny Turner, July 6-8
Doug Kershaw, July 14-15
"Gershin Sings Gershwin" w/the Gershwin Singers & Orchestra, July 20-22
The Lettermen, July 27-29
Bill Acosta, Aug. 3-5
Jerry Van Dyke, The Unknown Comic, Steve Landesberg, Aug. 10-12
Linda Eder, Aug. 17-19
Sha Na Na, Aug. 24-26
Chris Bliss, Aug. 31-Sept. 2
702-636-7111
suncoastcasino.com

TREASURE ISLAND

ONGOING

"Mystère," dark Mon.-Tues.
July 11, Aug. 30-Sept. 7, Oct. 31
702-894-7111
cirquedusoleil.com

TROPICANA

ONGOING

"Les Folies Bergere,"
production show
"Extreme Magic"
with Dirk Arthur
"The Comedy Stop," nightly
702-739-2411
tropicanalv.com

VENETIAN

ONGOING

"Phantom: The Las
Vegas Spectacular"
phantomlasvegas.com
"Blue Man Group,"
percussion theater
Comedian Gordie Brown
Wayne Brady, thru July 1
702-733-5000
venetian.com

WESTIN CASUARINA

ONGOING

Dixie Dooley, Master Mystifier
702-836-5900
houdiniexperience.com

WYNN LAS VEGAS

ONGOING

"Le Rêve," dark Tues.-Wed.
Monty Python's "Spamalot,"
starring John O'Hurley
702-770-7000
wynnlasvegas.com

GREEN VALLEY RANCH

Henderson

HEADLINERS

Kool & the Gang, July 13
Montgomery Gentry, July 27
Stanley Clarke, Aug. 4
Raul Malo, Aug. 17-18
702-547-5300
District at Green Valley Ranch
Courtyard concerts, Fri.-Sat.
702-564-8595
stationcasinos.com

SUNSET STATION

Henderson

HEADLINERS

Lynyrd Skynyrd, July 13
702-547-5300
stationcasinos.com

AQUARIUS RESORT

Laughlin

HEADLINERS

John Kay & Steppenwolf,
July 28
Kris Kristofferson, Aug. 11
702-298-5111
aquariuscasinoresort.com

COLORADO BELLE

Laughlin

SPECIAL EVENT

The Great American Race,
overnight stop of coast-to-
coast competition, July 12
702-298-4000
coloradobelle.com

GOLDEN NUGGET LAUGHLIN

DJs Thurs.-Sat.
702-298-7111
gnlaughlin.com

HARRAH'S LAUGHLIN

HEADLINERS

Paul Revere & the Raiders,
July 14-15
Todd Luxton: "The Ultimate
Elvis Tribute," Aug. 11-23
702-298-8510
harrahslaughlin.com

RIVERSIDE RESORT

Laughlin

HEADLINERS

Deana Carter, July 5-7
"Wild Girls of Comedy,"
July 18-22
Aaron Radatz, magician,
Aug. 2-5
Jon Reep, Aug. 9-12
702-298-2535
riversideresort.com

CASABLANCA

Mesquite

Comedy Club & lounge
entertainment
702-346-7529
casablancaresort.com

CANNERY

North Las Vegas

HEADLINERS

Erick Burdon & Rare
Earth, July 14
Dave Mason, July 21
Gerry & The Pacemakers
/Terry Sylvester, July 28
Little Anthony &
The Imperials, Aug. 4
Colin Hay of Men at Work
& The Fixx, Aug. 11
702-507-5700
cannerycasinos.com

TEXAS STATION

North Las Vegas

HEADLINERS

Rockin' Roadhouse Tour
w/Joe Diffie, Mark Chestnutt,
Aaron Tippin, July 13
John Kay & Steppenwolf,
Aug. 17
Joe Nichols, Aug. 25
702-547-5300
stationcasinos.com

BUFFALO BILL'S RESORT

Primm

HEADLINERS

Lee Greenwood/
Crystal Gayle, July 7
Diamond Rio, July 13
Gladys Knight, July 20
Tanya Tucker, July 28
Davy Jones, Aug. 11
Patti LaBelle, Aug. 18
Temptations Revue, Aug. 25
800-FUN-STOP
primmvalleyresorts.com





"Tournament of Kings," Excalibur

Crystal Gayle, Buffalo Bill's Resort, Primm

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Steve Winwood, Grand Sierra Resort

Blues Traveler, Silver Legacy

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Carson City
Bands play in the lounge
775-882-1626
ccnugget.com

CARSON STATION
Carson City
Lounge entertainment
775-883-0900
carsonstation.com

CASINO FANDANGO
Carson City
Music in the lounge
775-885-7000
casinofandango.com

CARSON VALLEY INN
Minden
Lounge entertainment
775-782-9711
cvinn.com

ATLANTIS
Lounge entertainment
775-824-4467
atlantiscasino.com

BOOMTOWN
Verdi
Cabaret entertainment
775-345-6000
boomtownreno.com

CIRCUS CIRCUS
Circus acts daily
775-329-0711
circuscircus.com

ELDORADO
ONGOING
"Dancing Queen," the music of Abba, thru Nov. 4
775-786-5700
eldoradoreno.com

FITZGERALDS
Music Wed.-Sun.
775-785-3300
fitzgeraldsreno.com

GRAND SIERRA RESORT
HEADLINERS
Steve Winwood, July 6
Boz Scaggs, July 8
American Ballet Theatre, July 10
Herbie Hancock, July 15
The Commodores, July 28
LeAnn Rimes, July 29
REO Speedwagon, Aug. 12
Gipsy Kings, Aug. 26
SPECIAL EVENTS
Beers of the World Dinner, July 21
Coeur d'Alene Art Auction, July 27
775-789-2285
grandsierraresort.com

HARRAH'S RENO
SPECIAL EVENTS
Free Concerts on the Plaza, Fri.-Sat., July 6-Aug. 31
ONGOING
"Rock My Ride," adult revue, thru July 21
"Let The Good Times Roll," family musical, thru July 21
775-788-2900
harrahs.com

JOHN ASCUAGA'S NUGGET
Sparks
HEADLINERS
Indigo Girls, July 7
"Sweet & Lowdown: A Gershwin Revue," July 12-13
Lyle Lovett & His Large Band, July 17
Joan Osborne, July 21
Rosanne Cash, July 27
Chris Isaak, Aug. 24-25
SPECIAL EVENTS
Star Spangled Sparks, July 4
Best in the West Nugget Rib Cook-Off, Aug. 29-Sept. 3
Sol' Jibe, Aug. 29
Darryl Worley, Aug. 31
Greg Kihn, Sept. 1
Loverboy, Sept. 2
775-356-3304
janugget.com

PEPPERMILL
Nightly lounge entertainment
775-826-2121
peppermillreno.com

RENO EVENTS CENTER
HEADLINERS
Michael Bublé, July 12
Ron White, July 14
800-687-8733
silverlegacyreno.com

SANDS REGENCY
Comedy club, dark Mon.
Bands Wed.-Sun.
775-348-2200
sandsregency.com

SIENA
Jazz on Tues.-Thurs.
775-337-6260
sienareno.com

SILVER LEGACY
HEADLINERS
Blues Traveler, July 6
The Temptations & The Four Tops, Aug. 10
Jim Gaffigan, Aug. 18
Hall & Oates, Aug. 31
SPECIAL EVENTS
Fourth of July Fireworks Spectacular
Birthday Celebration w/the Reno Philharmonic, July 20
800-MUST-SEE
silverlegacyreno.com

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BILL'S LAKE TAHOE
Stateline
Bands play Fri.-Sat.
775-588-2455
billslaketahoe.com

HARVEYS
Stateline
ONGOING
"Party Girls" adult revue
The Improv, dark Mon.
HEADLINERS
Earth, Wind, & Fire, July 13
Incubus, July 15
Fergie, July 27
Martina McBride, July 29
Rascal Flatts, Aug. 3-4
Diana Krall w/Chris Botti, Aug. 14
Beyoncé, Aug. 30
Toby Keith, Sept. 1
775-588-2411
ticketmaster.com
harrahs.com

HORIZON
Stateline
ONGOING
TV's Magic Stars at the Horizon
775-588-6211
ticketmaster.com

MONTBLEU RESORT
Stateline
HEADLINERS
D.L. Hughley, Aug. 4
Aaron Lewis of Staind, Aug. 11
India.Arie, Aug. 18
775-588-3515
montbleuresort.com

CAL-NEVA RESORT
Crystal Bay
Bands on Sat.
775-832-4000
calnevaresort.com

HYATT REGENCY LAKE TAHOE
Incline Village
Entertainment Wed.-Sat.
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laketahoe.hyatt.com

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LONGSTREET INN
Amargosa Valley
Weekend entertainment
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STAGECOACH CASINO
Beatty
Bands Fri.-Sat.
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oasisvalleyhotels.com

COMMERCIAL HOTEL
Elko
Lounge entertainment
800-648-2345, ext. 498
commercialcasino.com

STOCKMEN'S HOTEL
Elko
Lounge entertainment
800-648-2345, ext. 498
stockmenscasino.com

EL CAPITAN
Hawthorne
Bands play Wed-Sat.
775-945-3322
elcapitancasino.com

CACTUS PETES
Jackpot
HEADLINERS
Willie Nelson & Family, July 8
Chubby Checker, July 13-14
Gretchen Wilson, July 22
Collin Raye, July 27-28
Little River Band, Aug. 3-4
The Beach Boys, Aug. 5
800-821-1103
ameristarcasinos.com

PAHRUMP NUGGET
Pahrump
Bands Thurs.-Sun.
775-751-6500
pahrumpnugget.com

SADDLE WEST HOTEL
Pahrump
Music during special events
775-727-1111
saddlewest.com

TONOPAH STATION
RAMADA INN
Tonopah
Bands during special events
775-482-9777
Email: tonopahsta@frontiernet.net

PEPPERMILL
Wendover
HEADLINERS
Sara Evans, July 3
Tommy James & The Shondells, July 6
Nguyen Ngoc Ngan & Saigon by Night Concert, July 8
Willie Nelson & Family, July 10
Rockin' Roadhouse: Aaron Tippin, Mark Chestnutt, Joe Diffie, July 14
Pointer Sisters, July 20
Lynyrd Skynyrd, July 21
Grand Funk Railroad & Guess Who, July 27
Ed McMahon's Memories of *The Tonight Show*, July 28
Heart, Aug. 3
Charlie Pride, Aug. 4
Ted Nugent, Aug. 10
The Temptations & The Four Tops, Aug. 11
Rodney Carrington, Aug. 17-18
Chicago, Aug. 19
Josh Turner, Aug. 24
Los Lonely Boys, Aug. 25
Lonestar, Aug. 31
775-664-2255
wendoverfun.com

WINNERS HOTEL
Winnemucca
Lounge entertainment
775-623-2511
winnershotel.com

DINI'S LUCKY CLUB
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Music during special events
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Los Lonely Boys, Peppermill, Wendover

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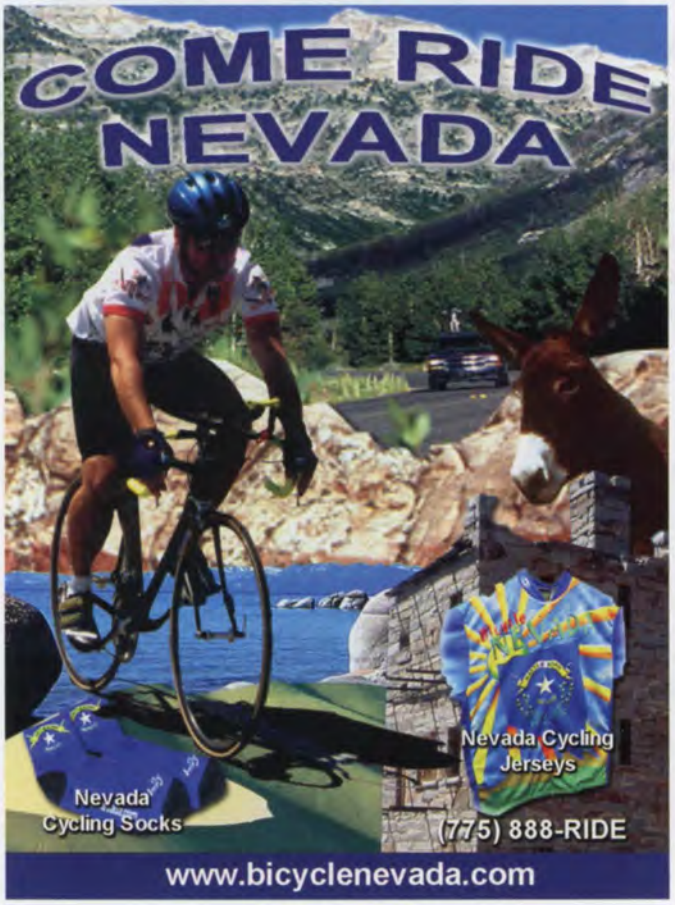
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classic cars and comedy

Jay Leno talks about Nevada moments and his passion for cars

BY ANN HENDERSON

In 1992, Jay Leno replaced Johnny Carson as *The Tonight Show* host. The 57-year-old comedian has a contract with NBC through 2009. He also performs in Nevada frequently and writes a car column for *Popular Mechanics*.

Leno commutes from his Big Dog Garage in Burbank to the studio driving restored automobiles, such as his 1906 Stanley Steamer. He owns more than 90 cars spanning 100 years and is familiar with Reno's Hot August Nights, which will attract thousands of gearheads. Leno shares their passion for cars.

Leno's first automobile, a 1955 Buick Roadster, doubled as his apartment during his leaner years and has since been modified with a big-block engine and Corvette suspension. Other unusual vehicles include The Tank Car, a 21-foot-long aluminum bodied roadster with a M47 Patton tank engine.

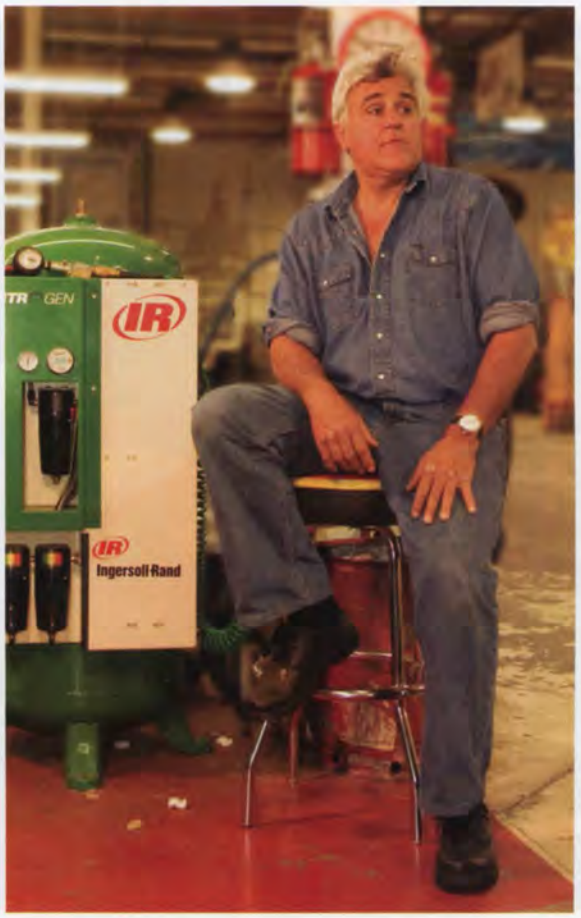
Leno talked about cars and performing in Nevada with Ann Henderson, *Nevada Magazine's* events and entertainment editor.

NM: You perform at the Mirage in Las Vegas about two weekends a month. When and where did you first appear in Nevada?

JL. It was in the '70s. I used to open for John Denver at Harrah's Tahoe. In 1976, at Caesars Palace, I asked why they built the hotel in the middle of nowhere. I was 26 years old, just starting out. At that time they had dinner shows and would put the comic on to entertain between the clanging and banging of dinner and complaints of, "I didn't order this."

NM: What other memories stand out?

JL. I was very naïve. After opening for Tom Jones at Caesars Palace, as I was leaving the showroom, a woman said, "Good show," and asked where I was going. When I told her, "The coffee shop," she asked if she could join me. We had a cup of coffee, and after about 20 minutes, she said, "I don't have all night, I'm working." I realized she hadn't seen the show—she was a hooker. I had no idea what was going on.



NM: What about your April appearance in Wendover?

JL. I thought it was terrific. I come from a small town and rural area, so I'm not a snob. [The Wendover] audience was appreciative, polite, and paid attention. In Atlantic City, people drift in around 8:20 p.m. In Wendover they were in place, ready to go, before 8 p.m. I hope to play there again, if they ask me. I also had fun with some car guys. In all, it was a great place to hang out.

NM: How do you fill your off-hours in Nevada when you are not performing?

JL. I don't gamble, smoke, or drink. I visit car collections—Imperial Palace (Las Vegas) and Harrah's (Reno). Yes, I saw Bill Harrah's collection when it filled warehouses in Sparks. I knew Harrah. He was always very nice to me. I performed in Reno one year during Hot August Nights. It was a lot of fun.

NM: During your show at the Mirage, you talk about your family. As a teenager, what was Sunday dinner like?

JL. Noisy. Sundays were a big deal, and we always ate at 2:30 p.m. My mother made all three meals from scratch, going through three ovens in 15 years. I was 13 before I realized the pilgrims and Indians didn't have lasagna.

My mother was Scottish, my father Italian, two completely diverse cultures pulling me in different directions. At my aunt and uncle's house they would have a five-gallon pot of sauce on the stove. The Scottish side was aghast at the number of meatballs and considered a stale scone and a warm Coke a treat. It was all very funny.

NM: Do you have a favorite car other than the 1955 Buick?

JL. I like really odd cars, like the 1925 Doble steamer. Not many people have heard of it, but it is high-tech and functions well. Some of my cars are considered valuable, others are old, and others I just happen to like. I don't think of it as a car collection. You buy what you like and if they happen to appreciate, fine. I don't intend to sell my cars unless it's dire circumstances. I'd probably sell my house first.

NM: Will you put your cars on display?

JL. I can't. There are too many restrictions, such as handicap accessibility, and the garage is not meant to be a museum. I drive my cars, often. If they sit more than three or four months, the gas gets bad. I have a Web site, jaylenosgarage.com, for car enthusiasts.

NM: For now, then, you hang out at the garage, doing the "guy thing?"

JL. You got it, babe.



PHOTO: SCOTT SADY (TOP RIGHT)



NEVADA CAR SHOWS

Wells Fun Run Car Show, July 27-29, wellsnevada.com, 775-752-2236

Fifties Fever, Aug. 3-5, Winnemucca, winnemucca.nv.us, 775-623-5071

Silver Dollar Car Classic, Aug. 3-5, Carson City, silverdollarcar.com, 800-638-2321

Hot August Nights, August 3-12, Reno, hotaugustnights.net, 775-356-1956

Hot August Nights Poker Run, Aug. 9, Minden, visitcarsonvalley.org, 775-782-8144

White Pine Rodders Car Show, Aug. 10-11, Ely, email: jvcamp@mwpower.net, 775-296-1195

Main Street Event, Aug. 17-19, Minden/Gardnerville, valleycruiserscarclub.com, 775-782-4756

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King Tut Museum, Luxor's ongoing exhibit



D1 Drift Grand Prix & NHRA Sport Compact Drag Racing, July 13-14

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MOTOR SPORTS

K.C. Hilites Midnite Special
Boulder City
June 29-July 1
Off-road race
702-452-4522
snoreracing.net

Short Track Racing at The Bullring
July 3, Aug. 8
Kyle Busch expected to race
702-644-4444
lvms.com

D1 Drift Grand Prix & NHRA Sport Compact Drag Racing
July 13-14
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lvms.com

SCORE Las Vegas Terrible's Cup III
July 19-21
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Best in the Desert Vegas to Reno
Aug. 23-25
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702-457-5775
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SPORTS

Las Vegas 51's Baseball
June 30 & July 3 vs. Fresno,
July 12-14 vs. Salt Lake City,
July 19 vs. Portland,
July 26-27 vs. Albuquerque,
July 28 vs. Round Rock,
Aug. 10-11 vs. Sacramento,
Aug. 23-25 vs. Tucson,
Aug. 30 vs. Tacoma
702-386-7200
lv51.com

New Moon Sandstone Canyon Hikes
July 14, Aug. 12
702-875-4141
parks.nv.gov

Full Moon Sandstone Canyon Hike
July 30, Aug. 28
702-875-4141
parks.nv.gov

Lake Mead National Recreation Area
Boulder City
Fall hikes
702-293-8990
nps.gov/lame

FESTIVALS/FAIRS/CULTURE

First Friday
Monthly downtown cultural block party
firstfriday-lasvegas.org

Las Vegas Springs Preserve
ONGOING
Conservation & history attraction
702-822-8344
springspreserve.org

Rockets Over the River
Laughlin
June 30 & July 4
Fourth of July celebration
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Star-Spangled Spectacular Las Vegas Philharmonic
July 4
702-895-ARTS
lasvegasparksandrec.com

Damboree
Boulder City
July 4
Parade, fireworks, flyover
702-293-9256
bcnv.org

Dr. Michael Fischer portrays John Sparks
July 20
Chautauqua
702-229-4611
artslasvegas.org

Soldiers of the Old Fort
July 21, Aug. 18
Living-history program
702-486-3511
parks.nv.gov

Las Vegas Civil War Roundtable
July 25, Aug. 22
Free program
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ART EXHIBITS

Spiderman at Madame Tussauds Las Vegas
ONGOING
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mtvegas.com

King Tut Museum at the Luxor
702-262-4444
luxor.com

The 24-Hour Show: Working Around the Clock in Las Vegas
ONGOING
702-486-5205
nevadaculture.org

Voces Latinas: Works on Paper from 1921
North Las Vegas
Thru July 31
702-647-7378
leftofcenterart.org

Havens in a Heartless World: Virginia City's Saloons & the Archaeology of the Wild West
Thru Aug. 19
702-486-5205, ext. 227
nevadaculture.org

Earth From Space
Thru Aug. 26
Smithsonian traveling exhibition
702-895-3381
Email: gigueta@unlv.nevada.edu

"In the Dark" Exhibition
Thru Sept. 9
Qualities of dark, mysteries in nature
702-384-DINO
lvnhm.org

In the Master's Hands: Picasso's Ceramics, Treasures from the Estate of Pablo Picasso
Thru Jan. 14
702-693-7851
bellagio.com

The Texture & Weave of Traditional Arts
July 1-Aug. 31
702-895-3381
Email: gigueta@unlv.nevada.edu

MUSIC/THEATER

Fremont Street Experience
ONGOING
Free concerts & light shows
702-678-5600
vegasexperience.com

Thursday Night Live
Thru Oct.
Free dance, music, theater performances
702-565-2171
cityofhenderson.com

"110 in the Shade"
July 11-14, 18-21, 25-28
Outdoor theater
702-594-PLAY
supersummertheatre.com

Dance in the Desert Festival
July 27-28
702-651-5483
ccsn.edu/pac

"Jesus Christ Superstar"
Aug. 8-11, 15-18, 22-25
Outdoor musical
702-594-PLAY
supersummertheatre.com

FAMILY

Historic Nevada Southern Railway Train Rides
Boulder City
Weekends
702-486-5933
nevadasouthern.com

The Outdoor Picture Show at The District
Fri.-Sat.
Family-friendly films
702-564-8595
thedistrictatgvr.com

Family Film Series
The Ant Bully, July 5
Over the Hedge, July 12
Open Season, July 19
Curious George: Show Me the Monkey, July 26
702-229-6713
artslasvegas.org

Children's Concert Series:
"Under the Sea with Silly Jelly Fish"
Hudson Vagabond Puppets
July 11 & 13
702-229-6383, 702-229-6211
artslasvegas.org

Summer Youth Film Series
Nanny McPhee, July 12
Zathura, July 19
The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch, & the Wardrobe, July 26
702-229-1515
artslasvegas.org

"History of Rock 'n' Roll" starring Razzle Bam Boom
July 18 & 20
702-229-6383, 702-229-6211
artslasvegas.org

"World of Wonder" with Leland Faulkner
July 25, 27
702-229-6383, 702-229-6211
artslasvegas.org

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Ongoing, Tues.-Thurs.
702-562-2676
lasvegasfarmersmarket.com

The Secrets of Power
Hoover Dam
Boulder City
ONGOING
Interactive exhibits & tours
702-494-2517
usbr.gov/lc/hooverdam

World Series of Poker
Thru July 17
worldseriesofpoker.com

Movies Al Fresco
Henderson
Thurs. thru Aug. 30
702-565-7400
lakelasvegas.com

Summer Cool-Off
July 7, Aug. 18
Free ice cream & park program
702-875-4141
parks.nv.gov

The Venetian UBT Classic
July 12-15
Blackjack tour
venetian.com

Old Time Barn Dance
July 28, Aug. 25
702-229-6383
artslasvegas.org





Havens in a Heartless World: Virginia City's Saloons & the Archaeology of the Wild West exhibit thru Aug. 19

Spiderman in residence in the Venetian's Madame Tussauds Las Vegas

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American Century Championship Celebrity Golf, South Lake Tahoe, July 10-15

Fourth of July parade in Virginia City

reno-tahoe

SPORTS

American Century Championship
South Lake Tahoe
July 10-15
Celebrity golf
775-588-3566
tahoecelebritygolf.com

Death Ride
Markleeville, CA
July 14
129-mile high-altitude cycling event
530-694-2475
deathride.com

50K/50M/100M Tahoe Rim Trail Endurance Runs
Tahoe Rim Trail
July 21-22
530-542-3424
tahoemtnmilers.org

Tahoe Trail Fest
Tahoe Rim Trail
July 28
Guided hike, BBQ
775-298-0231
Email: alexiso@tahoerimtrail.org

Reno/Tahoe Odyssey Relay Run Adventure
Lake Tahoe
July 29-30
178-mile relay race
775-825-3399
renotahoeodyssey.com

Reno/Tahoe Open
July 30-Aug. 5
PGA Tour
775-322-3900
renotahoeopen.com

Pyramid Lake Triathlon
Pyramid Lake
Aug. 4
775-574-1000, ext. 245
active.com

Uphill Run/Hike Challenge
Squaw Valley
Aug. 4
530-426-3313, ext. 103
squawmountainrun.com

Lake Tahoe Concours d'Elegance
North Lake Tahoe
Aug. 9-11
Antique wooden boat competition
530-581-4700
laketahoeconcours.com

Wakeboard World Championships
Sparks
Aug. 24-26
407-628-5662, ext. 1307
kingofwake.com

FESTIVALS/FAIRS/CULTURE

Sparks Heritage Museum
Sparks
July 8, storytelling
Aug. 12, Hot August Nights history
775-355-1144
Email: sparksmuseum@gbis.com

MAGIKO!
Carson Valley
Thru July 6
Golf tournament, concert, 10K run, cycling
775-782-8144
magikonv.com

Great International Chicken Wing Cook-Off
June 30-July 2
775-358-8376
thegreatinternationalchickenwingsociety.com

Fourth of July Week
North Lake Tahoe
June 30-July 8
877-949-3296
gotahoenorth.com

Artown
July 1-31
Month-long arts festival
775-322-1538
renoisartown.com

Valhalla Celtic Festival
Lake Tahoe
Plays, concerts, improv, movies
July 1, 5, 7, 10-11, 13-16, 18, 20-22, 25-26, 28-29
530-541-4975
valhallatahoe.com

RSVP July 4th Celebration
Carson City
July 4
775-687-4689
visitcarsoncity.com

Star Spangled Sparks at The Marina
Sparks
July 4
775-353-1976
sparkschamber.org

Fireworks, Buffets, Dinner/Dance Cruises
Lake Tahoe
July 4
Tahoe Queen, M.S. Dixie II paddlewheelers
800-23-TAHOE
laketahoecruises.com

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Parade & Fireworks Spectacular
Virginia City
July 4
775-847-0975
virginiacity-nv.org

Red, White, & Tahoe Blue
Incline Village/Crystal Bay
July 4
Parade, concerts, fireworks
775-832-1606
gotahoe.com

Great Eldorado BBQ, Brews, & Blues Festival
July 7
800-648-5966
eldoradoreno.com

Lake Tahoe Food & Wine Festival
Crystal Bay
July 7
775-832-1038
gotahoe.com

Lake Tahoe Festival of Fine Arts
South Lake Tahoe
July 7-8
530-542-3632
tahoeartsproject.org

Lake Tahoe Shakespeare Festival
Incline Village
July 12-Aug. 19
"Taming of the Shrew,"
"Romeo & Juliet,"
"Greater Tuna"
800-74-SHOWS
laketahoeshakespeare.com

Reno Basque Festival
July 14
Music, dance, sports
775-762-3577
renobasqueclub.org

Lake Tahoe Music Festival
North Lake Tahoe
July 14-Aug. 4
Kenny Loggins, David Benoit, Craig Chaquico, David Sanborn
530-581-1184
tahoemusic.org

Great Basin Chautauqua
July 15-19
Jane Smiley, John Steinbeck, J.S. Bach, Scott Joplin
775-784-6587
nevadahumanities.org

Art, Wine, & Music Festival
Squaw Valley
July 21-22
530-583-6985
squaw.com

Valhalla Arts & Music Festival
Lake Tahoe
Aug. 1-5, 7-10, 12-14, 17, 19, 21, 23-25, 28-29
530-541-5975
valhallatahoe.com

Silver Dollar Car Classic
Carson City
Aug. 3-5
$1-million poker run
800-638-2321
silverdollarcar.com

Hot August Nights
Reno/Sparks
Aug. 5-12
Rock 'n' roll, hot cars
775-356-1956
hotaugustnights.net

Railfest
Virginia City/Carson City
Aug. 11-12
775-847-4386
virginiacity-nv.org

Main Street Event
Gardnerville
Aug. 17-19
Car show
775-782-4756
valleycruiserscarclub.com

Carson Valley Antique Tractor Show
Minden
Aug. 18-19
775-267-4816
visitcarsonvalley.org

Reno Gay Pride
Aug. 18-19
Parade, music
Email: glvcb@aol.com
renogaypride.com

Reno/Tahoe Blues Festival
Aug. 18-19
Patti LaBelle to appear
775-857-3378
renotahoebluesfest.com

Nevada State Fair
Aug. 22-26
Carnival, motocross, truck pulls, demo derby
775-688-5767
nvstatefair.com

Lake Tahoe Chautauqua
Sand Harbor State Park
Aug. 26
800-74-SHOWS
laketahoeshakespeare.com

Best in the West Nugget Rib Cook-Off
Sparks
Aug. 29-Sept. 3
800-648-1177
nuggetribcookoff.com

ART EXHIBITS

Locomotive Stories of the V&T
Carson City
Models, photographs, artifacts
775-687-6953
nevadaculture.org

Road to Reno: Inge Morath
Thru July 15
Photographs of Marilyn Monroe, Clark Gable
775-329-3333
nevadaart.org





The Lake Tahoe Shakespeare Festival, July 12- Aug. 19

Artown's Asha Belly Dancers, July 28

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Deborah Butterfield: Horses thru Sept. 23 in Reno

"Showboat" concert cruises Lake Tahoe thru Sept.

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ART EXHIBITS (Cont.)

Black Maps: David Maisel
Thru July 15
775-329-3333
nevadaart.org

Habanero Meets Lake Tahoe
Thru July 30
775-787-4100
sierra-arts.org

Batmobile Exhibit
Thru July
775-333-9300
automuseum.org

Interwoven 2007: Visions of the Great Basin Basketmakers
Carson City
Thru Aug. 5
775-687-4810
nevadaculture.org

So-Called Laws of Nature: Paintings by Takako Yamaguchi
Thru Aug. 12
775-329-3333
nevadaart.org

Deborah Butterfield: Horses
Thru Sept. 23
775-329-3333
nevadaart.org

Genoa Courthouse Museum
Genoa
Thru Oct. 14
Exhibits
775-782-4325
historicnevada.org

Topless: Convertibles of the 1950s
Thru Oct. 15
775-333-9300
automuseum.org

Comstock Typeslingers & Sagebrush Journalists
Virginia City
Thru Oct. 31
775-847-0975
virginiacity-nv.org

Arts & Crafts Faire
Gardnerville
July 1
775-721-1047
visitcarsonvalley.org

The Art of Jay Koka
July 1-Oct. 15
775-333-9300
automuseum.org

North Tahoe ARTour
Tahoe City
July 13-15
530-581-2787
northtahoearts.com

A Tribe of Artists: Costumes & Culture at Burning Man
July 14 thru Nov. 11
775-329-3333
nevadaart.org

Carson Valley Art Association Second Saturday
Carson Valley
July 14, Aug. 11, Sept. 1
775-782-5606
visitcarsonvalley.org

Coeur d'Alene Art Auction
July 28
775-322-1538
cdaartauction.com

MUSIC/THEATER

"Showboat" in Concert
Lake Tahoe
Sat. thru Sept.
Dinner-theater cruise
800-23-TAHOE
zephyrcove.com

Pops in the Park
Genoa
July 4
775-782-8696
visitcarsonvalley.org

Pops on the River
July 7
775-323-2030
renophil.com

Minden Village Summer Concert Series
Minden
July 7, 21, Aug. 18, Sept. 1
775-220-0995
uncommonconcerts.com

Pink Martini
July 8
775-322-1538
pioneercenter.com

Incline Chamber Music Society
Incline Village
July 8, 15, 22, 29, Aug. 5, 12
775-831-2298
Email: skidq@juno.com

Concerts on the Green
Genoa Park
July 8, Aug. 19, Sept. 16
775-782-8696
visitcarsonvalley.org

Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra
July 9
775-322-1538
renoisartown.com

American Ballet Theatre
July 10
775-322-1538
renoisartown.com

July Jazz Under the Stars
Carson City
July 10
775-883-4154
milehighjazz.com

"Vortex"
July 13-14
A.V.A. Ballet Theatre
775-326-8405
avaballet.com

Bluegrass on the Comstock
Virginia City
July 13-15
775-847-4386
virginiacity-nv.org

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Herbie Hancock
July 15
775-789-2129
renoisartown.com

The Funny & Unique Derique
July 25
775-322-1538
renoisartown.com

Asha Belly Dancers
July 28
775-848-7203
ashabellydancers.com

Hell's Kitchen w/Mikhail Baryshnikov
July 30
775-322-1538
pioneercenter.com

EDGE!
July 31
Different musical cultures
775-322-1538
renoisartown.com

Jazz & Beyond
Carson City
Aug. 17-19
775-883-1976
milehighjazz.com

FAMILY

Summer Family Concert Series
Minden
July 13, 27, Aug. 10, Aug. 24
775-782-9828
dcparks-recreation.
co.douglas.nv.us

Ice Hot Cars
July 14
Free family event
775-333-9300
automuseum.org

Movies in the Park
Gardnerville
July 20, Aug. 10
775-782-7134
gardnerville-nv.gov

Pet Parade
Virginia City
Aug. 25
775-847-4386
virginiacity-nv.org

GENERAL INTEREST

Dangberg Home Ranch Programs
Minden
Tours July thru Aug.
Aug. 18, Star Gaze Party
Reservations required
775-687-4379
parks.nv.gov

Farmers' Market
Carson City
Wed. thru Aug. 29
775-687-7410
visitcarsoncity.com

Indoor Farmers' Market
Saturdays
775-351-2551
nevadagrown.com

Hometowne Farmers' Market
Sparks
Thurs. thru Aug. 23
775-353-2284
ci.sparks.nv.us

Farmers' Market
United Methodist Church
Tues. thru Sept. 18
775-358-0925
nevadagrown.com

Farmers' Market
Gardnerville
Wed. thru Sept. 26
775-782-9828
dcparks-recreation.
co.douglas.nv.us

Incline Village Park Programs
Incline Village
July 12, 14, 28, Aug. 14, 28
775-831-0494
parks.nv.gov

Washoe Lake Park Programs
Carson City
July 14-15, Aug. 11, 18
775-687-4319
parks.nv.gov

Ride the Rails
Carson City
July 14-15, 28-29,
Aug. 25-26
Ride a steam train
775-687-6953
visitcarsoncity.com

Dayton State Park Programs
Dayton
July 16, 21, Aug. 4, 20, 25
775-687-5678
parks.nv.gov

Demonstration of Coin Press No. 1
Carson City
July 27
775-687-4810
nevadaculture.org

Full Moon V&T Train Ride
Virginia City
July 28
775-847-4386
virginiacity-nv.org

Taste of Gardnerville
Gardnerville
Aug. 4
775-265-6097
historicnevada.org

Chillin' & Grillin' on the Comstock
Virginia City
Aug. 18
775-847-4386
virginia-city.org

Carson City Mint Coin Show
Carson City
Aug. 25-26
775-687-4811
visitcarsoncity.com





Check the listings for farmers' markets

Ongoing exhibits and demonstrations at Nevada State Museum

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Ferris wheels at rural county fairs

Onion Festival, Yerington, July 27-28



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MOTOR SPORTS

Gamblers Run
Elko
July 14
702-614-6108
openroadracing.com

Bonneville Speed Week
Wendover
Aug. 11-17
Hot rods, roadsters, motorcycles attempt land-speed records
775-664-2214
westwendovercity.com

Pony Express 130
Battle Mountain
Aug. 23-26
702-614-6108
openroadracing.com

SPORTS

Silver State International Rodeo
Fallon
July 2-7
775-423-4674
fallontourism.com

Silver State Stampede
Elko
July 12-14
Rodeo
775-778-5724
elkocva.com

WPRO Rodeo
Pahrump
Aug. 3-4
Pro rodeo
775-727-5800
pahrumpchamber.com

RURAL FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATIONS

Battle Mountain
775-635-8245
shopbattlemountain.com

Caliente
775-726-3317

Carlin
775-754-6354
explorecarlinnv.com

Elko
775-738-6284
elkocva.com

Hawthorne
Email: info@mineralcountychamber.com

Spring Creek
775-753-6295
elkocva.com

Wells
775-752-3540
wellsnevada.com

Winnemucca
775-623-5071
winnemucca.com

Yerington
775-463-1914

FESTIVALS/CULTURE

Freedom Celebration
Pahrump
June 29-July 1
Fourth of July festival
775-727-5800
pahrumpchamber.com

National Basque Festival
Elko
June 29-July 2
775-738-5386
elkocva.com

Wendover 100th Anniversary Celebration
Wendover
July 4
866-299-2489
westwendovercity.com

Jarbidge Independence Day
Jarbidge
July 7-8
Parade, BBQ, music
775-488-2311
Email: outdoorinn_jarbidge@yahoo.com

St. Augustine's Cultural Center 140-Year Anniversary
Austin
July 21
Tours, entertainment, memorabilia auction
775-322-0402
Email: victorianjan@netzero.net

Nevada Indian Days Powwow
Fallon
July 21-22
775-217-3096
fallontourism.com

Onion Festival
Yerington
July 27-28
775-463-2334
bgcmasonvalley.com

Bluegrass Festival
Battle Mountain
July 27-29
775-635-8245
shopbattlemountain.com

Lovelock Frontier Days
Lovelock
July 27-29
775-273-7213
zplace2b.com

Wells Fun Run Car Show
Wells
July 27-29
775-752-2236
wellsnevada.com

Ely Shoshone Powwow
Ely
July 27-29
775-289-3013
Email: alfredawalker@yahoo.com

Great Humboldt Duck Race
Elko
July 28
775-738-3418
elkocva.com

Annual August Powwow
Ivanpah
Aug. 3-4
435-234-1138
goshutetribe.com

Fifties Fever
Winnemucca
Aug. 3-5
775-623-5071
winnemucca.com

White Pine Rodders Car Show
Ely
Aug. 10-11
775-289-8877
whitepinechamber.com

Jarbidge Days
Jarbidge
Aug. 10-12
775-488-2311
Email: outdoorinn_jarbidge@yahoo.com

Ruby Mountain Chamber Music Festival
Elko
Aug. 16-19
Features violinists Amy Hiraga & Sarn Oliver w/San Francisco Symphony
775-738-2823
elkocva.com

Goldfield Days & Land Auction
Goldfield
Aug. 17-19
Tours, parade
775-485-3560
Email: goldfieldchamber@yahoo.com

Show & Shine/ Art in the Park Festival
Carlin
Aug. 18-19
775-754-6354
explorecarlinnv.com

Spirit of Wovoka Days Powwow
Yerington
Aug. 24-26
775-463-2350

Historic Wendover Airfield Fly-In & Air Show
Wendover
Aug. 25
435-665-2308
westwendovercity.com

Austin Fly-In
Austin
Aug. 25
775-964-2410
austinnevada.com

Burning Man Festival
Black Rock Desert
Aug. 27-Sept. 3
Counter-culture encampment
415-TO-FLAME
burningman.com

Labor Day Celebration
Pioche
Aug. 31-Sept. 3
775-962-5544
piochenevada.com

COUNTY FAIRS

Eureka
Aug. 10-12
775-237-6026
co.eureka.nv.us

Yerington
Aug. 16-19
775-463-6509
lyon-county.org

Ely
Aug. 17-19
800-496-9350
elynevada.net

Elko
Aug. 25-Sept. 3
775-738-3616
elkocva.com

Winnemucca
Aug. 31-Sept. 2
775-623-5071
winnemucca.com

Fallon
Hearts O'Gold Festival,
Aug. 31-Sept. 3
775-423-2544
fallontourism.com

MUSIC/THEATER

Katy Moffatt & Andrew Hardin
Eureka
July 20
Winnemucca
July 21
Country, folk, blues
775-237-6006
co.eureka.nv.us
775-623-3197
gbae.org

GENERAL INTEREST

Fallon Farmers' Market
Fallon
Tues. thru Sept.
775-427-5178
fallontourism.com

Historic Train Rides
Ely
Daily excursion rides
Themed trains,
July 4, 7, 14, 21, 28,
Aug. 4, 11, 18, 25
775-289-2085
nnry.com

Cathedral Gorge State Park Programs
July 7, 14, 21, 28,
Aug. 18, 25
775-728-4460
parks.nv.gov

Overland Hotel's Annual Chili Cook-Off
Fallon
Aug. 18
775-423-2917
Email: machado@cccomm.net





Check the listings for statewide rodeos

Wendover Will will be part of Wendover's centennial celebration on July 4

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Perks, points and jackpots are in the cards

BY JACK BULAVSKY

FOR GAMBLERS, A PLAYERS CLUB IS A WIN-WIN PROPOSITION. It costs nothing to join, and your membership card tracks your play, whether you prefer penny slot machines or roulette at $2,000 a spin.

In the old days, pit bosses knew who deserved a comp by following the roll of the dice or the turn of the cards. But today, with the tidal wave of slot machines inundating the casino floor, cards make it easy to determine which players deserve perks and comps.

Each casino has different membership levels and benefits, but all gamblers earn points for every dollar played as long as they use their cards. As points accumulate, members can receive a variety of member-only discounts, such as meals or rooms. They can earn invitations to slot tournaments and New Year's Eve parties and sit in the best seats at the hottest concerts.

David DeMontmollin, executive director of marketing at Hooters Casino Hotel, says the Owl Rewards Club is one of the few cash-back clubs. "Very simply," he says, "the more a member plays, the greater the benefits."

For every 100 points earned, a Hooters player receives $1. There also are benefits for being a member that don't require points, such as complimentary dinners. A daily promotion called "It's a Hoot Million Dollar Swipe" gives club members one swipe on a kiosk that has a $1-million payout. Other prizes include $50 in cash, free points, a classic Hooters T-shirt, and a 99-cent shrimp cocktail.

At Station Casinos in Las Vegas, club members can win mystery Jumbo Jackpots, which also reward other gamblers. The jackpot is set at $100,000 and scheduled to hit at $150,000. The progressive increases until the random jackpot hits. Not only does that player win, but all Station Casino property gamblers playing on Jumbo Jackpot machines and using a players card win a $50 prize. The jackpot hits about two or three times a month.

There is a similar benefit for using a Passport Players Card at the Peppermill in Reno during the PepperMillions 2007 promotion. Each day players can swipe their card at the PepperMillions kiosk and have the opportunity to win $1 million or one of 100 prizes, including gifts and meals—such as a trip through the Peppermill's Island Buffet (above).

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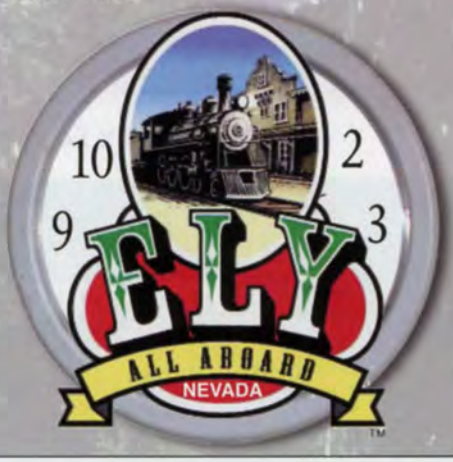






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- White Pine Historical Museum
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- White Pine County Golf Course
- Great Basin National Park
- Lehman Caves
- Ward Charcoal Ovens
- Cave Lake State Park



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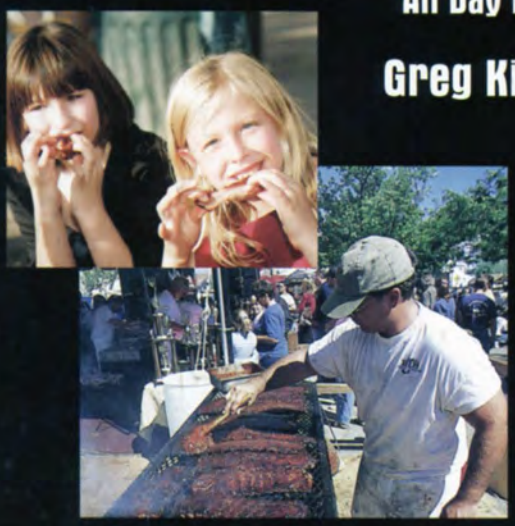
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