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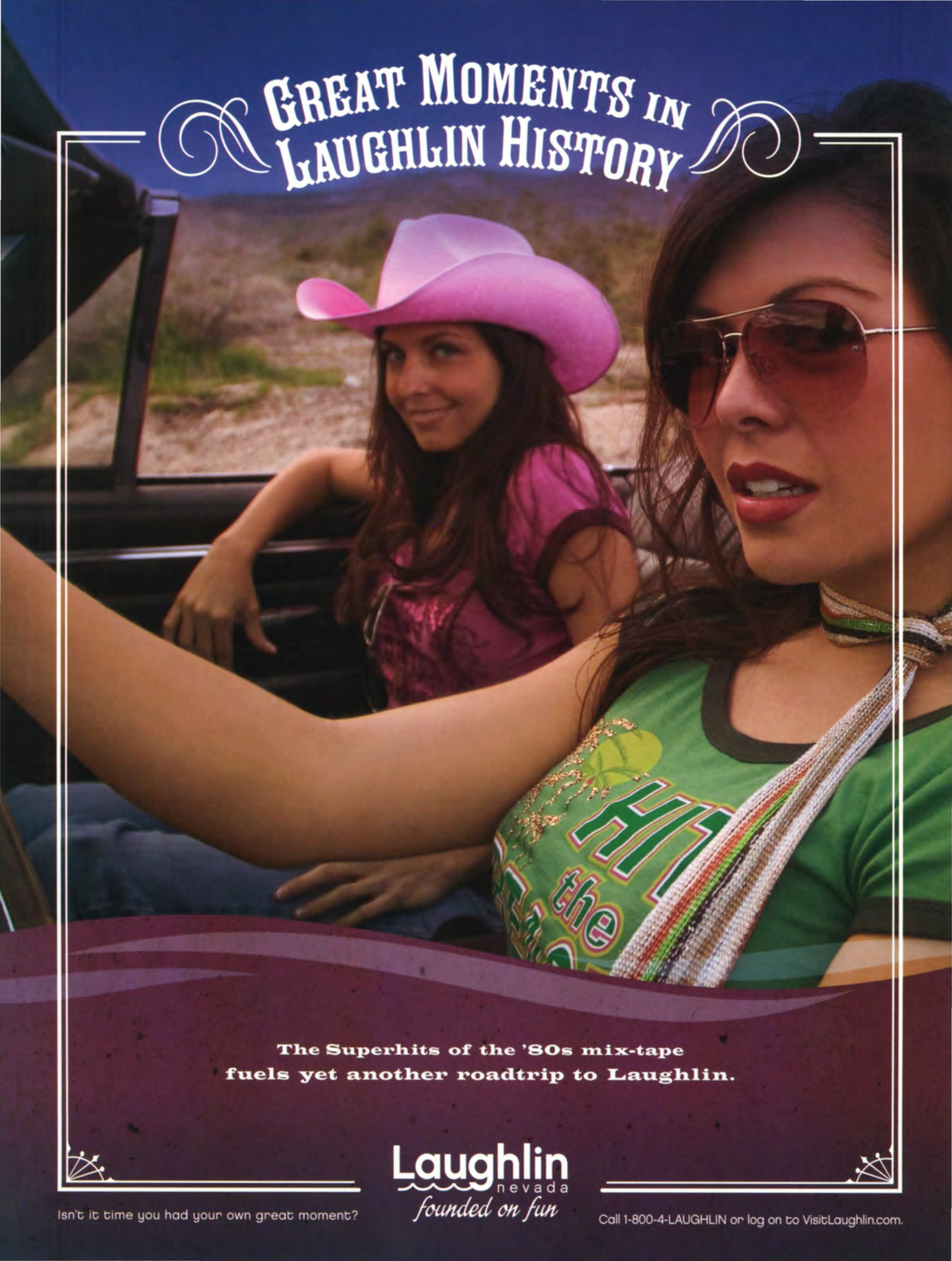
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In March/April 2007 *Nevada Magazine* introduced a redesign. Even though the look and feel is different, rest assured our mission is not. As Nevada's official travel magazine, our goal—to educate readers about the state's attractions, culture, history, and events—remains the same. We want you to know we're open to your comments and ideas. In turn, you'll notice that we're making subtle adjustments.

If this is your first look into our world, welcome.

In our annual golf issue, we look at the latest golf news, cover a free-swinging event in Mesquite, and provide all the info you need to hit Nevada's greens. We also stroll, hike (see the adventurous editor above), and even race across the Silver State. Accompany us through Las Vegas' 18b art district, discover some nature trails just outside the city limits, or take a ride down memory lane as we recount the path of the 1908 Great Race through Nevada, including Tonopah and Goldfield.

You might have already noticed one of our newest features on the opposite page: a full-page Nevada map to give you an idea of the scope of our expansive state. We've extended our *Notable Nevadan* feature into a *People* section and added *Your Nevada*, a closing image chosen by our art department. Then, there's yours truly, here to give you some direction before you delve into each issue.

Finally, I invite you to visit our award-winning Web site, nevadamagazine.com. There, you'll find Letters to the Editor, the most complete guide to Nevada events and shows, Web Extras (stories not available in print), and other bonus material. Our social commentary function allows visitors to share their thoughts. We view our Web site as an extension of our magazine, and we hope you will, too.

In print and online, join us as we continue to tell Nevada's story.



Matthew B. Brown, Editor

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Bay Area resident Kris Vagner is a freelance arts and culture writer who lived in Nevada for six years before moving in 2007. Fittingly, she wrote "Cutting Edge" about Reno art and "This One's For the Birds," a summary of the Spring Wings Festival in Fallon. She'll also take the occasional hike—see "Where the Pavement Meets the Path." In Reno, her favorite hiking spots were close to home, where she could "watch the colors and creek levels change with the seasons."

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DANA MAGLIARI



Sacramento resident and Lake Tahoe native Dana Magliari remembers when Reno had no Riverwalk District. "Reno kept its back to the Truckee River," Magliari says. "It had no use for anything you couldn't put coins in and pull a lever. Now the river is downtown's main attraction, and it looks great." Magliari enjoyed spending time around Riverwalk while researching his story, "Home Is Where the Art Is," about Riverside Artist Lofts.

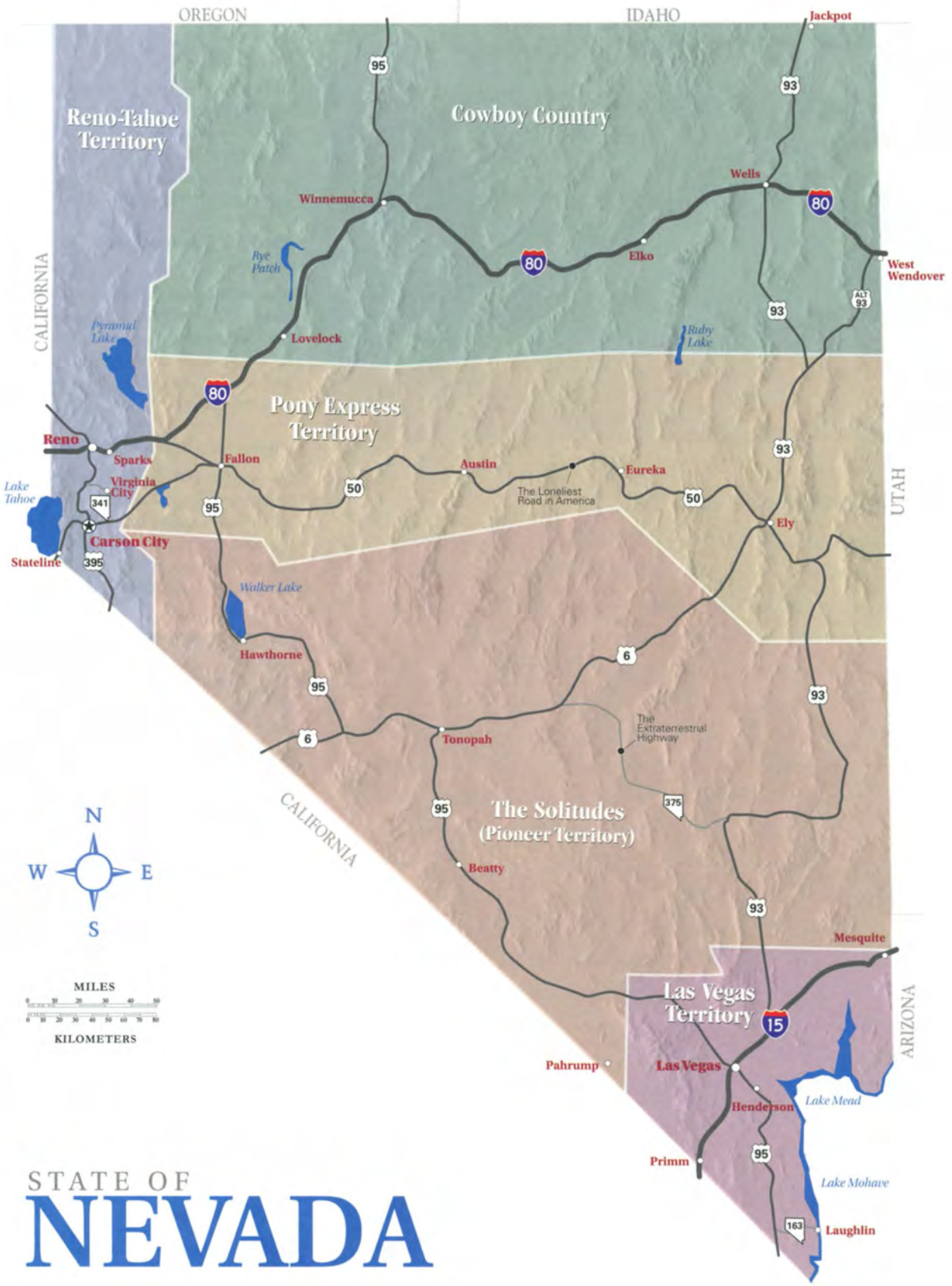
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ERIN MEEHAN BREEN



Erin Meehan Breen, from Reno, has been active in Northern Nevada journalism since 1982, which is also when she met Paul Laxalt, whom Breen interviewed this issue for our Notable Nevadan Q&A. Breen writes an award-winning column for the *Reno Gazette-Journal*, teaches writing at University of Nevada, Reno, and is a freelance writer. And you just might recognize her from KTVN's *Channel 2 News This Morning*.

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STATE OF NEVADA



GOLF

Play Nevada Inside and Out

El Rio Golf Club, across the river from Laughlin in Mojave Valley, is the latest championship course in the area. The 7,100-yard, par-72 course is far enough away from the casinos and resorts that players can enjoy the views of unspoiled desert and mountains and still close enough to appreciate all the entertainment, dining, and nightlife that Nevada's southernmost city has to offer. elriogolfclub.com, 888-883-5746

The Mountain Falls master-planned community in Pahrump, built around the golf club of the same name, allows golfers to live where they play with homes starting in the high $100,000s. The course, which is open to residents and nonresidents alike, offers annual, six-, and three-month memberships in addition to daily greens fees. mountainfalls.com, 775-537-6553

The Spanish Trail Golf and Country Club (top) in Las Vegas unveiled its $15-million renovation late last year. Alterations on the 27-hole championship course are accompanied by an updated clubhouse. The club features a new fine-dining room and a private executive dining/meeting room set inside a wine library. spanishtrailcc.com, 702-364-5050

Golfers in Northern Nevada don't have to worry about de-winterizing their game in the spring thanks to The Bunker inside Reno's Grand Sierra Resort. The virtual golf venue offers 36 famous courses, including Pebble Beach, Kapalua (Hawaii), and Pinehurst II (North Carolina). Outside the resort, Sierra Bay aqua range gives you the chance to work on your long game and win prizes for scoring an ace on any of the four island greens. grandsierraresort.com, 800-501-2651

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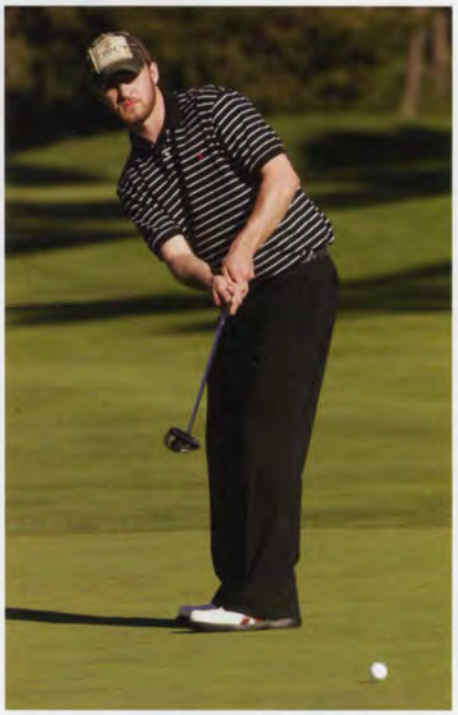
TPC Canyons has changed its name to TPC Las Vegas. The Bobby Weed-designed course has evolved into a more forgiving PGA Tour-caliber challenge since its early days when some scorned its firm and uncooperative greens. tpc.com, 702-256-2000

PGA Tour's Las Vegas Stop

The PGA Tour's 26th annual Las Vegas event will be hosted by Justin Timberlake (bottom) and sponsored by the Shriners Hospitals for Children. The competition, October 16-19, will be held at TPC Summerlin overlooking the Las Vegas Strip and Red Rock Canyon. jtshrinersopen.com, tpcsummerlin.com, 702-256-0111

Biggest Little PGA Tour Event

The 10th annual Northern Nevada PGA Tour event, the Legends Reno-Tahoe Open, will again be held at one of the area's toughest, most scenic courses, Montrêux Golf and Country Club, July 29-August 3. legendsrenotahoeopen.com, 775-322-3900, montreuxgolf.com, 888-849-9444



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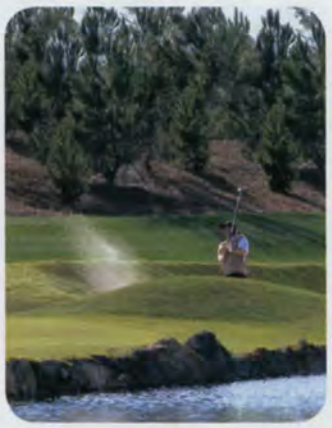
ADVENTURE

Extreme Nevada Competition

The Nevada Commission on Tourism and Land Rover are teaming up for this year's Nevada Passage. The event, May 4-10, will serve as the United States qualifier for the 2008/2009 Land Rover G4 Challenge. Participants will test their wits, outdoor skills, and teamwork in 4x4 driving, navigation, trail running, mountain biking, kayaking, bouldering, and orienteering. The locations for the Land Rover G4 Challenge Nevada Passage will not be released until the start of the event, to be televised beginning in August.

The G4 Challenge, held every two years, is recognized as one of the world's premier off-road driving and adventure events.

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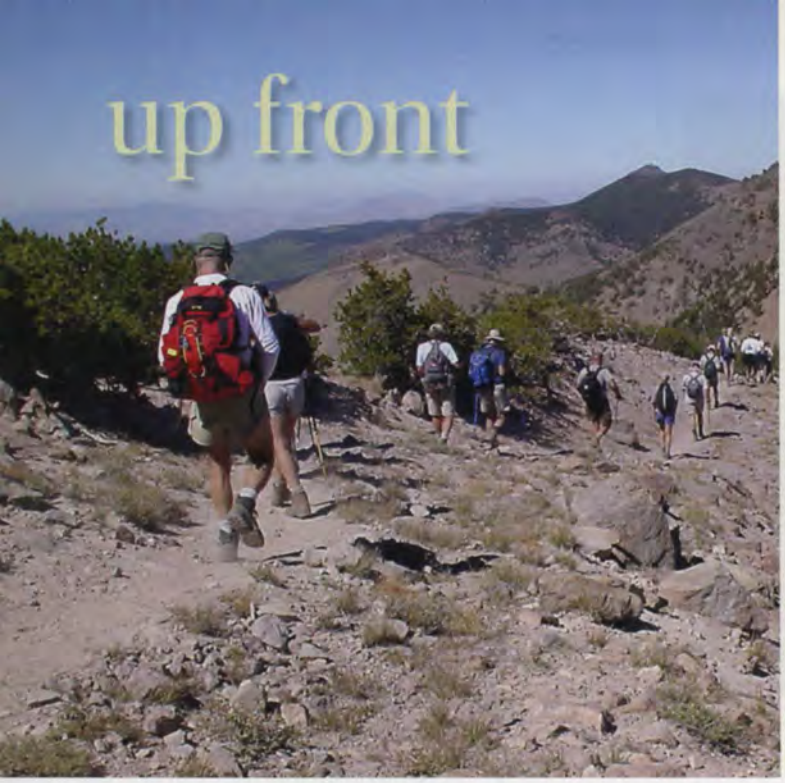
Reno's First Celebrity Chef

Dining options in Reno got a shot in the arm last summer when chef Charlie Palmer opened his first two Northern Nevada restaurants at Grand Sierra Resort. Charlie Palmer Steak features top-quality cuts of beef and an eclectic wine selection that spotlights West Coast vintages such as Rochioli Single Vineyard pinot noirs. 775-789-2456

Palmer's other Grand Sierra restaurant, Fin Fish, is his first seafood eatery. The oceanic (pun intended) menu features everything from fish-shack-style favorites such as pan roasts, fried shrimp, and Palmer's whimsical lobster corndog, to raw, marinated ahi tuna and broiled Hawaiian swordfish. 775-789-2458

grandsierraresort.com, charliepalmer.com

up front



TAHOE TRAIL

Take the High Road

The Tahoe Rim Trail provides outdoor enthusiasts the opportunity to circumambulate one of the world's most picturesque alpine lakes. The 165-mile trail, which circles Lake Tahoe via the ridges and high-mountain passes that frame the Tahoe Basin, can be completed in one big push (10 to 14 days) or cut up into more manageable, less demanding weekend backpacking excursions.

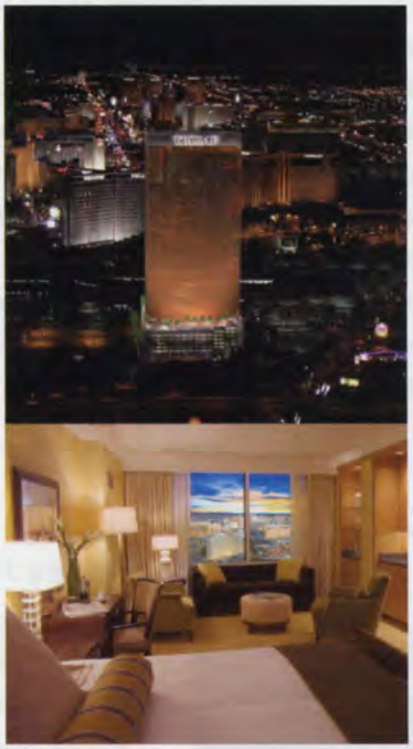
The Tahoe Rim Trail Association is offering two eight-week hiking programs that complete the trail in segments. Participants receive a "165" certificate, hat, shirt, and pin. tahoerimtrail.org, 775-298-0012

NEW TOWERS

The Donald Meets The Strip

The first of two 64-story towers of the Trump International Hotel and Towers project opened early this spring on the Las Vegas Strip. The hotel-condominiums—1,282 in tower one and 1,280 planned for tower two—feature floor-to-ceiling windows, European-style kitchens with granite countertops, Breccia Oniciata Italian marble floors in the entries and baths, custom vanities with marble countertops, TV mirrors, and wireless Internet.

The resort boasts a 36,000-square-foot recreation deck with free-form pools and pool deck cabanas, a luxury spa and salon, 24-hour concierge service, DJT, a fine-dining restaurant, and 2,460 square feet of meeting space. trumplv.com, 877-878-6711



CITY PARK

Family Fun in the Desert Sun

The $5.9-million Sandstone Ridge Park opened late last year in North Las Vegas. The park has lighted baseball and soccer fields, basketball courts, and a skate park. It also serves as the trailhead for the Las Vegas Wash Regional Trail System. cityofnorthlasvegas.com, 702-633-1171



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A patron admires an exhibit at City of the World Gallery (right). Top: Tinoco's Bistro is an eclectic eatery located in The Arts Factory, which houses artists' galleries such as Jennifer Main's (above).

gallery crawl

Las Vegas' 18b district dedicates 18 blocks—and more—to artists

BY SCOTT SMITH

COMMENT ON THIS STORY AT NEVADAMAGAZINE.COM

AS VISITORS WIND THEIR WAY from room to room in the City of the World Gallery, majestic big cats and other serene nature portraits give way to gothic representations of skulls and domestic black cats. Some might consider it an odd mix, but it's the sort of juxtaposition that's welcomed by art enthusiasts in Las Vegas' 18b district.

Roberto Rico and Gina Quaranto are the featured artists on this particular Saturday evening, a nice conclusion to an all-day gallery crawl. Housed in an unassuming robin's-egg blue and yellow cottage, the nonprofit City of the World brings together local artists to share ideas, showcase their works, and expose the arts to children and adults—a microcosm of what the district as a whole aims to do.

PHOTOS: SUSANNE REESE

18b

1. Main Street Antiques
2. The Attic
3. Arts Village/Rainbow Feather Dyeing Company
4. S2 Editions Atelier
5. The Arts Factory
6. City of the World Gallery/The Funk House
7. Furniture Outlet
8. Holsum Design Center
9. Commerce Street Studios



Centered at Main Street and Charleston Boulevard, the district gives art lovers a concentration of galleries to suit any taste, plus an eclectic mix of shops, eateries, and other surprises. The burgeoning area has even outgrown its name, overflowing the 18 blocks that birthed Las Vegas' downtown arts scene and gave 18b its moniker.

Virtually all the galleries and other paeans to urban pop culture participate in Las Vegas' First Friday event each month from 6 to 10 p.m., but galleries keep limited hours otherwise. So if there's something you don't want to miss, call for an appointment.

The Arts Factory, a two-story red brick industrial building near Charleston and Main, is the district's birthplace. It is home to Contemporary Arts Collective on the ground floor where artists meet, share ideas, and find creative support, and patrons can explore and learn about artists and their media and styles. Contemporary Arts Collective hosts shows monthly. Performing arts, as well as two- and three-dimensional artworks, are welcome. "As long as it can fit through the door," says local artist and volunteer Mark Diederichsen.

The Arts Factory also is home to the Jennifer Main Gallery. One day I was treated to an expanded repertoire of Main's works, as I caught

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The Arts Factory
101-107 E. Charleston Blvd.
theartsfactory.com
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At right, spectators watch a fire-twirling display during First Friday. Left: The Funk House provides an outside-the-norm shopping experience.

the artist in the midst of rearranging her gallery's walls. Main, who describes her style as "figurative abstract," uses vibrant reds, bold yellows, and her subjects' large, expressive eyes to convey the simple pleasures and pulsating rhythms of the urban lifestyle. "I get my inspiration from everyday life experiences and what I may be feeling at the moment," she says.

For another take on full, undiluted color and bold strokes, you can see Shannon Webb's figure, landscape, and still-life work at the Shannon Webb Studio, also on the ground floor. Webb's pieces are inspired by shadows and high contrast. Upstairs at Damned Ink, you'll find paintings and ink drawings that explore artist Danny Roberts' sometimes hopeful, sometimes heartbreaking examinations of man's conflicted relationship with culture, nature, and responsibility. "Each subject is on the verge of an epiphany and facing a new conflict," Roberts says. "It is a brief moment of either acceptance or rebellion."







Top to bottom: Danny Roberts poses in front of his latest works at Damned Ink. Sharon Gainsburg makes realist and abstract sculptures. If you're looking for figure paintings, visit Shannon Webb's studio.

If you've made an appointment, stop by S2 Editions Atelier, next to the Arts Factory, to see the painstaking process the master printers use to reproduce fine art lithographs on massive, 140-year-old presses. Pick up one of the colorful Tom Everhart "Snoopy" lithos printed at S2 or journey north to the Arts Village on Main Street to Jack Gallery for a Toulouse-Lautrec lithograph. The gallery also sells artwork posters. The Arts Village building—its facade resembles a painter's splotched overalls—also is home to Sharon Gainsburg's realist and abstract stone sculptures and Garcia's Fine Arts, which recently exhibited the uniquely tooled and custom-finished metalwork from local artist Chris Greene's "Aluminations" collection.

Near the village and worth the shopping detour is funky fashion reseller, The Attic. And whether you're planning a night of fly-tying or looking to enter an Elton John look-a-like contest, Rainbow Feather Dyeing Company can supply you with raw materials.

From here, you can head south to Commerce Street Studios to check out the edgy, often avant-garde displays at The Fallout and neighboring Circadian Gallery, with its aggressive, brooding expressions and impressionistic nudes by Daniel Pearson. Or you can mosey westward to visit the renovated Holsum Design Center, the former 1950s bakery recently converted to shops, studios, and artist lofts. It is home to Gallery P, where Joseph Palermo displays his art, which commemorates his Modernist style, as well as the works of Hanna Iglikowska, Rick Metzler, and more.

If you need a break from the bountiful art 18b has to offer, shop the grandma's attic feel of Furniture Outlet, Main Street Antiques, and The Funk House for collectibles, curiosities, vintage chrome and suede furniture, and delightfully kitschy accessories.

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233 S. Water Street, Ste. B
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cutting edge

Reno s behind-the-scenes art is getting closer to the spotlight

BY KRIS VAGNER





Sara Gray (above) is the founder of Grayspace in Reno. Right: An enthusiast admires the work of John Yoyogi Fortes—a past Grayspace exhibitor.

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UPCOMING EXHIBIT

Cutism
May 13-June 8, at Grayspace. Features ceramic sculptures using imagery from toys and cartoons in art. Meet artists from Reno and Seattle at the May 8 reception.

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Never Ender Gallery, formerly on Second Street, has gone virtual, offering clothing, accessories, and art by emerging artists.

Although gallery-goers already know where to go in Reno to see nationally recognized contemporary paintings (Stremmel Gallery) or traveling museum retrospectives (Nevada Museum of Art), the cutting-edge corners of the local arts scene are a little harder to find.

But lately, two young arts institutions have helped the cause by setting up camp in close proximity. They each occupy a unit in a small brick duplex on Cheney Street, which has become its own mini arts-and-culture district.

At Grayspace, founder Sara Gray has given conceptual art a new home—literally. The gallery used to be a one-bedroom apartment, and it still has the cozy feel of a residential bungalow. "I give the artists a lot of freedom to do what they want to do, to try new things," Gray says. The gallery's inaugural exhibit, for example, featured a queen-sized bed made of hundreds of white threads strung across the bedroom.

Holland Project, an arts and music collective originally geared toward providing the under-21 set with a place to go for concerts, recently downsized from a large warehouse space to a modest headquarters. The group's leaders, ambitious 20-somethings, offer music and art of just about any definition, such as film screenings, origami workshops, and 'zine-making classes. Their signature fundraiser: competitive double-dutch jump-roping.

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Dead Man's Creek trail overlooking Washoe Lake

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IT'S KNOWN BY MANY NAMES. Nine to five. The grind. Rat race. And all you want is an escape—if only for the weekend, a day, or even an afternoon. But how? The wilder places feel so far away from the confines of our urban lives. In Las Vegas, Reno, and Carson City they aren't as far as you might think. Perhaps John Muir said it best, "The mountains are calling and I must go."



Mary Jane Falls, Mount Charleston

PHOTOS: SAM BAUMAN (TOP), SMNRA PHOTO LIBRARY (BOTTOM)

LAS VEGAS

For desert dwellers, finding water around Las Vegas can be an extraordinary experience. What's even better is when the water takes the form of a cascading waterfall.

Lost Creek Trail

This hike provides a view of the full range of vegetation that thrives in the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area and evidence of past inhabitants in the form of petroglyphs and roasting pits. Just beyond marker four, follow an uphill trail that ends at a box canyon filled with beach sand and a 20-foot fall that flows intermittently during winter through early summer. You might spot bighorn sheep on the cliffs above the trail.

Directions: Red Rock Canyon is accessed via State Route 159. The trailhead is on the 13-mile Scenic Loop Road, which requires a $5 entrance fee. Turn onto Willow Spring Road (about midway along the loop) and drive for two-tenths of a mile to a large paved parking area on the west side of the road.

Difficulty: Easy

Elevation Gain: 240 feet

Distance: 1 mile

Mary Jane Falls

This Mount Charleston area route in the Spring Mountains National Recreation Area leads into a big canyon amidst aspens and majestic ponderosa pines. After about three-tenths of a mile, you'll make a sharp turn to the right and follow switchbacks that gain nearly 1,000 feet. Just before reaching your destination, you'll encounter rock steps that make you feel like you're entering a natural cathedral. The reward for your work is a 45-foot waterfall that flows in varying degrees throughout the year.

Directions: Take U.S. 95 north and turn left at the Kyle Canyon turnoff. After 20 miles, as you approach a hairpin curve, turn right onto Echo Road. After .35 miles, turn left on Mary Jane Falls Road, which leads to the parking area and trailhead.

Difficulty: Moderate

Elevation Gain: 1,000 feet

Distance: 2.4 miles



Evans Canyon, San Rafael Regional Park

PHOTOS: JIM DECKER (TOP), SUE WEEKS (BOTTOM)



Lost Creek Trail, Red Rock National Conservation Area

RENO

In Reno, open space is so close you can find solitude or altitude without leaving the city limits. Steep mountain paths, panoramic views, and even a shady, green creek-side oasis are only minutes from the downtown casinos.

Evans Canyon

Just north of Rancho San Rafael Regional Park's playgrounds, fields, and picnic pavilions, a short nature trail through shady Evans Canyon features wooden bridges and marshes with groves of cattails. Meander along the creek or detour up the short, calf-burning ascent to the giant letter "N," where energetic trekkers are rewarded with a view of Reno and Sparks high-rises. The creek could be bone dry, gently gurgling, or wide enough to have to ford, depending on the time of year.

Directions: From Rancho San Rafael Regional Park, walk across the dog pasture and through the pedestrian tunnel under North McCarran Boulevard. Or, from North Virginia Street, drive .3 miles north of McCarran Boulevard and turn left into the Rancho San Rafael Park Sports Complex.

Difficulty: Easy

Elevation Gain: Up to 200 feet

Distance: .75 to 3.4 miles

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LAS VEGAS AREA CONTACTS

Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area
redrockcanyonlv.org
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Spring Mountains National Recreation Area (SMNRA)
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WORTH A READ

Desert Hiking Tips, A Falcon Guide, By Bruce Grubbs





West Prison Hill, Carson City

RENO AREA CONTACTS

Washoe County Parks and Recreation
washoecountyparks.com
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Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest
fs.fed.us/r4/htnf
775-882-2766

Truckee Meadows Trail Association
truckeemeadowstrails.org

WORTH A READ

Afoot & Afield Reno-Tahoe: A Comprehensive Hiking Guide, Wilderness Press, By Mike White

CARSON CITY AREA CONTACTS

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East Keystone Canyon

A condo developer built a road through Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, about two miles from downtown Reno, then abandoned the project, leaving hikers with easy trail access. The out-and-back trail ascends gently through a narrow canyon that's reserved for hikers and mountain bikers. Further up the road, just past a never-developed cul-de-sac, a short, steep, rocky slope crests just past the big letter "R" and leads to the mountain-mahogany and Jeffrey-pine-dotted vistas, where hikers and off-road vehicles share fire roads leading into Peavine Wilderness.
Directions: From North McCarran Boulevard, turn north onto Leadership Parkway or Victory Lane. Drive .3 miles and turn right into the parking lot.
Difficulty: Moderate
Elevation Gain: 350 feet
Distance: 3.4 miles

CARSON CITY

Only a few miles separate the Capitol, Legislature, and other Carson City government buildings from trails on Prison Hill and in Washoe Lake State Park, but any of these short journeys feels like it's a world away.

West Prison Hill

It's hard to find better views of the Carson Valley, Carson Range, Carson River, or Carson City than those that await hikers atop Prison Hill. From the fence on the east side of the parking area, follow the trail east toward the lowest saddle on the ridge ahead. Follow the left (north) fork from the saddle to reach the top. If the short walk hasn't satisfied your hiking appetite, numerous trails diverge from the main path and crisscross the hilltop.

Spring and early summer are good times to see blooming wildflowers such as sagebrush, desert peach, bitter brush, ephedra (Mormon tea), and Indian rice grass.
Directions: From the Capitol, follow Carson Street south to Koontz Lane and turn left. Follow Koontz past its terminus near the water tower. The parking lot is several hundred feet to the left.
Difficulty: Easy to moderate
Elevation Gain: 550 feet
Distance: 2 miles

Dead Man's Creek

This trail climbs the hills east of Washoe Lake to a gazebo with spectacular views of Washoe Valley, Washoe Lake State Park, and Slide Mountain in the Carson Range. The trail, recently improved by local Boy Scouts who rebuilt the gazebo, passes by a spring-fed stand of willows and cottonwood trees before forking. Turn right and cross the streambed to a short traverse that leads to the gazebo.

Phlox and other wildflowers make spring and early summer the ideal time to explore this trail.
Directions: From the Capitol, follow Carson Street north and stay on U.S. 395. Exit at Eastlake Boulevard (State Route 428) and turn right. Watch for the dead tree and small parking area on the right about four miles past the exit.
Difficulty: Easy to moderate
Elevation Gain: 300 feet
Distance: 1 mile

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1908 GREAT RACE • ONE WILD RIDE

WINNERS OF LEGENDARY AUTO EVENT CONQUERED EVERY NEVADA CHALLENGE THEY ENCOUNTERED

BY MATTHEW B BROWN

How fitting that some of George Schuster's most challenging hours during his journey across the world were spent in Nevada. After all, this *is* the Wild West, and where else would it be more appropriate for an American hero to have to borrow a horse in order to solve a crisis?

On March 19, 37 days into the 1908 New York to Paris Great Automobile Race, that is the predicament Schuster and his companions—among them George Miller and Charles Duprez—found themselves in. Having already driven thousands of miles west (Schuster joined the team in Buffalo, New York and replaced Montague Roberts as driver and captain in Cheyenne, Wyoming), the American team had gained a sizeable lead on their French, German, and Italian competitors. It was a lead they held onto until their ride to victory in Paris on July 30.

The going was tough in Nevada, much as it had been from the onset, when the racers immediately battled heavy snowdrifts across the eastern U.S. Now, the Americans' 1907 Thomas Flyer car sat crippled in a muddy creek bed some 50 miles east of Tonopah. While the men tried to cross a stream not far from Twin Springs Ranch, six teeth broke from the Flyer's drive pinion and the transmission cracked under the strain of an intense uphill climb. It was nearly dark when the men learned the extent of the damage.



The American team arrived at Twin Springs Ranch on March 19, 1908, 37 days into the Great Automobile Race. Their 1907 Thomas Flyer suffered severe damage during the stream crossing shown above, but they were able to fix the car.

Even if it was on four legs, Schuster was determined to continue. He hired a horse for $20 from a Twin Springs rancher and set off to Tonopah, where he hoped to find the necessary repair parts. After more than five hours of nightriding, during which Schuster was all but guessing his way, the horse was exhausted and Schuster was forced to lay up for the night. He came to a nearly empty ranch house—most of the occupants had gone to Tonopah earlier that day in anticipation of team America's arrival. When Schuster knocked on the door, the woman who answered told him he wasn't welcome inside, but he could feed his horse in the corral and sleep in the lean-to.

Schuster was awakened a short time later by four men, one of them W W Booth, editor of the *Tonopah Bonanza*. They were sent to look for the American team (legend has it at least one of them was frustrated, muttering, "Where did that crazy driver go?") The five men crammed

into a Simplex car, owned by Malcolm Macdonald, and headed for Tonopah, where Schuster was able to obtain the parts he needed from a local doctor's Flyer. It took Schuster and Miller six hours to resurrect their ride and by the time they drove it to Tonopah, it was 11 p.m. on March 20. A little more than 24 hours had passed since a Twin Springs rancher warned them of the risky stream crossing that proved to be a major bump in the road to Paris.

There were many such frustrations for the American racers in an adventure that spanned three continents, 22,000 miles, and 169 days (the headaches in Nevada alone would have caused sane men to give up) They arrived in Nevada on March 17 near the northeastern tip of the state. Moving west from Utah, they passed through Montello traveling along the railroad. Having originally planned to go through Carson City and Reno, they were forced to turn south from Cobre, where they spent the night, due to reports of 20 feet of snow in the Sierra Nevada.



Just after the team departed Ely on the evening of March 18, all four wheels became stuck in a mudhole near Lane City. A six-mule team and wagon happened



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George Schuster and company spent the night in Cobre on March 17. Outside of Cobre, Schuster's crew tended to a mechanical issue before resuming their journey across Nevada (bottom). As they passed the Cherry Creek Indian Reservation on March 18 (top), they were met by a captivated group who had never seen a car.

1908 GREAT RACE



The original Great Race began on February 12, 1908, and ended more than five months later on July 30. Sponsored by *The New York Times* and *Le Matin*, a Paris newspaper, it was decided that there would be an auto race from New York to Paris, even before the first cross-country highway (Lincoln) was conceived in 1913. The competitors: France, Italy, Germany, and the United States. George Schuster drove the American team to victory.

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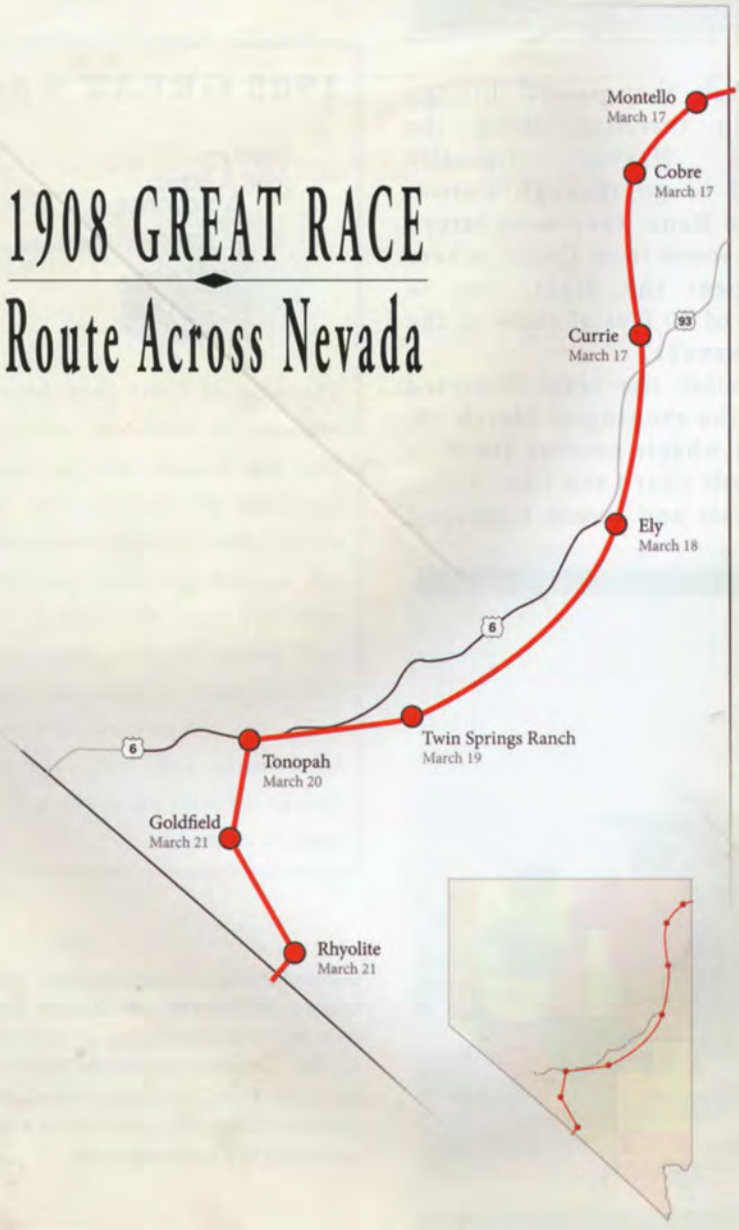
by, and the driver helped pull them out. A few hours down the road and within sight of the Veteran Mines buildings, the car became entrenched again, this time in a bog. After spending the night in the miners' quarters, the men used horses to free their car from the muck.

The Americans also had run-ins with wild Nevada—bands of wild horses stampeded at the sight of the Flyer, especially around Ely. Referring to the hundreds of miles of isolation on their southwestward route that roughly followed what is now U.S. 6, Schuster wrote, "The only excitement came when we startled a long-legged jackrabbit .. Our efforts to drop one with a shot were unavailing. They were too fast."

Perhaps the most intriguing part of the Americans' route across Nevada was the rousing ovations they received from towns



Much of the way during their five-day trek through Nevada in 1908, the American team followed railroad tracks (above).



TODAY IN RENO

In Reno, the 1907 Thomas Flyer (below), the winning car in the 1908 Great Race, is on display at the National Automobile Museum (The Harrah Collection). Bill Harrah brought it to Reno in 1964. A special exhibit, which lasts until January 5, features interactive displays, a race timeline, and 12 oil paintings by Reno artist Bob Cinkel. automuseum.org, 775-333-9300



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along the way. A crowd greeted the men when they chugged into Riepetown late on the night of March 18. Even upon arriving just before midnight in Tonopah on March 20, "Everybody in town waited up and rang fire bells," Schuster wrote. The next day, they landed in Goldfield, "where there was a riotous welcome with cowboys and miners firing pistols."

The glorious receptions were not reserved exclusively for the American racers. The Italians arrived in Ely on March 26 to the shouts and applause of several hundred spectators. After the Flyer had come and gone, a 1908 *Goldfield Daily Tribune* article read, "The Italian, French, and German autos, in the order of their arrival here, [should] be accorded the same welcome as was given the American crew." The Italians of Goldfield made red, white, and green flags and waved them as the Italian competitors drove through town.

That same enthusiasm returned to Tonopah and Goldfield 100 years later. On March 22, 2008, participants in a centennial celebration dressed in period costume and gathered for reenactment photos. "It was a highly festive mood," says Jeanne Sharp Howerton, a Las Vegas resident who was there. "The crowd was jovial, the Nevada Old-Time Fiddlers were playing, kind of like you'd expect it was back then. There was quite a crowd in the streets." The events were especially nostalgic for Howerton, who grew up 50 miles north of Twin Springs Ranch on Blue Eagle Ranch, where Schuster and company passed through 100 years ago.

In many ways, that is the beauty of Nevada—not only is it a state rich in history, it's a state that still gets excited about its history.

WORTH A READ

The Longest Auto Race, by George Schuster w/Tom Mahoney, The John Day Company, 1966.

"The Great Automobile Race," by Phillip I. Earl, *Nevada Highways and Parks*, Fall 1973.

CENTENNIAL RACE

The Great Race 2008 New York to Paris marks the centennial of one of the most remarkable motor sports events of the 20th Century. In a re-run of that milestone event, the 2008 Great Race will depart New York City on May 30 and travel 21,748 miles to Paris, finishing August 2. However, the race will not follow the original 1908 route, therefore bypassing Nevada.

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greatrace.com
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TODAY IN TONOPAH

In Tonopah, you can see a mural on the downtown Mizpah Annex building on Main Street. The mural, by Lee Bowerman, depicts the Tonopah arrival of George Schuster's crew in their 1907 Thomas Flyer on March 20, 1908. tonopahnevada.com, 775-482-6336

PHOTO: JIM GALLI (BOTTOM)



The Nevada Boomtown Committee and Goldfield Historical Society commemorated the 100-year anniversary of the 1908 New York to Paris Great Automobile Race on March 22. Tonopah photographer Jim Galli snapped the above reenactment photo at the same location in which George Schuster and the American team were captured on March 20, 1908.

"I used a 1908 Eastman Improved No. 2 camera," Galli says. "I chose an 1895 Rochester Optical Company lens of 15-1/2-inch focal length because it has an angle of view nearly identical to what was used for the 1908 photo." The car in the reenactment photo is a 1910 Cadillac owned by Tonopah's John Campbell.

100 YEARS LATER

Tonopah

MARCH 22, 2008 (ABOVE)

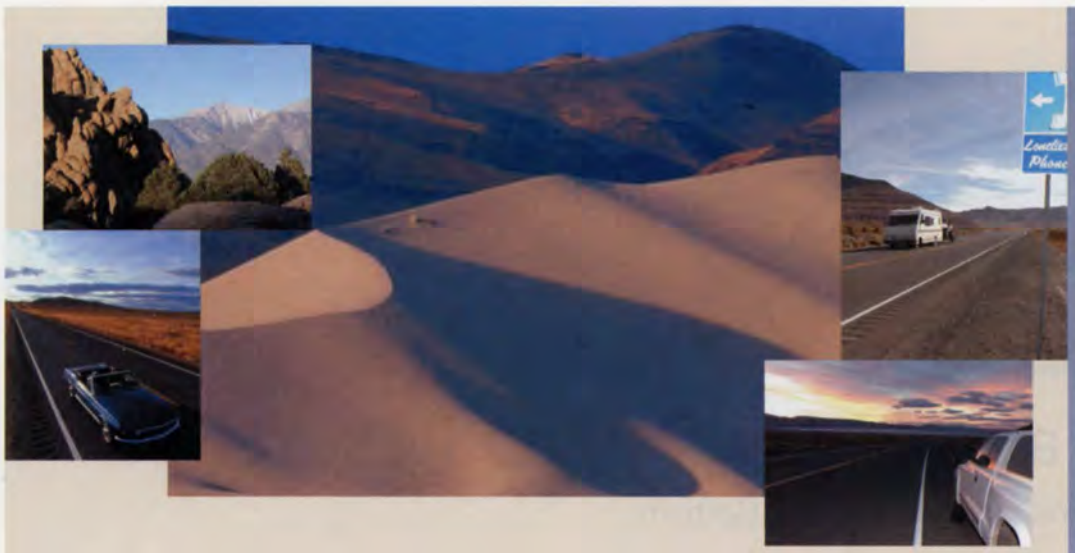
MARCH 20, 1908 (BELOW)



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Visit **nevadamagazine.com** for a link to Jim Galli's Web site, featuring more images and info from this year's Great Race commemorative celebrations in Tonopah and Goldfield.

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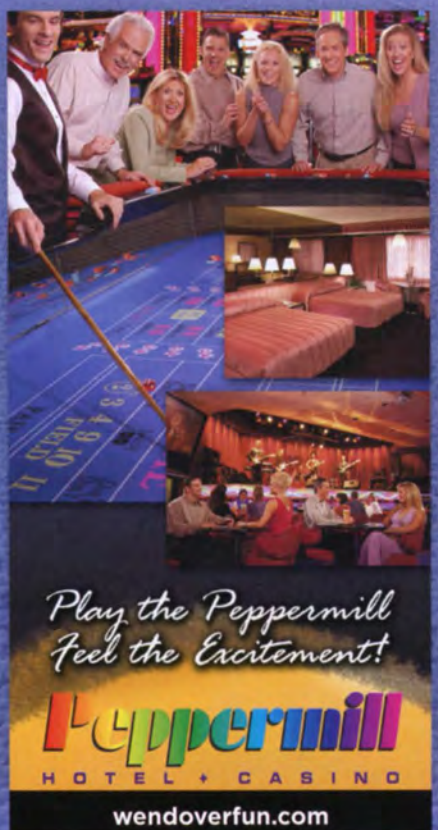






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Like many who live in Reno's Riverside Artist Lofts, Bart McCoy's studio is just steps from his kitchen. Above, he demonstrates his oil-painting technique on a piece he calls "Allegory With Sarah."

HOME IS WHERE THE ART IS

Reno s artistic heart beats in a creative, upbeat neighborhood

BY DANA MAGLIARI

PHOTO: CHARLIE JOHNSTON

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From her office on the ground floor of Riverside Artist Lofts in the old Riverside Hotel in downtown Reno, Jill Berryman, executive director of Sierra Arts, recounts a real-life drama that has played everywhere from SoHo to San Francisco. "Artists rent cheap places like warehouse buildings and take the blighted place in town because [it's what] they can afford," she says.

Over time, their creative influence draws attention to the area and folks with money to spend check it out. The drama's last act is always the same. "As soon as it becomes a cool part of town, the owners of those buildings figure they can get much more rent, so out go the artists," Berryman says.

Curtain.

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Pre-arranged tours of Riverside Artist Lofts available to groups.

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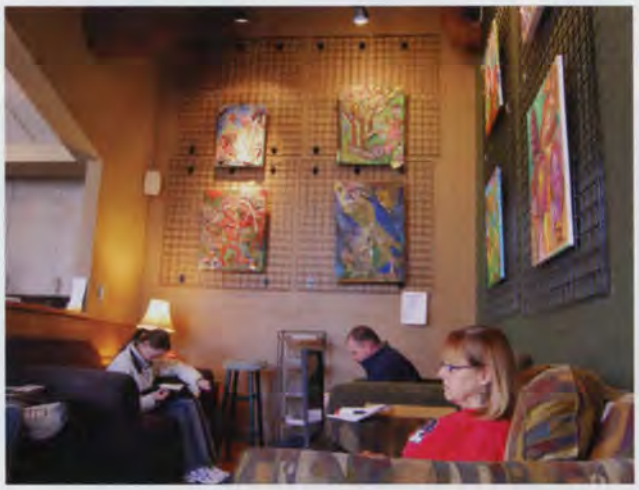
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Left: Riverside Artist Lofts. Charlie Chaplin and other collectibles adorn Mary Bennett's kitchen (top). At right, Craig Smyres looks down a "traffic jam"—cars from his exhibit, *Autolust*.



PHOTOS: MATTHEW B. BROWN (LEFT, TOP); CHARLIE JOHNSTON (RIGHT)







You can take a break from reading to peruse art at Dreamer's Coffeehouse & Deli (left). Top right: Bart McCoy holds a sculpture of himself, while Craig Smyres creates one out of clay (bottom right). "I'm good at making faces, so I make faces," Smyres quips. Below: Mary Bennett keeps a poster from a past acting role.



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To some, the preceding tale is one of urban renewal and progress. But to others who believe the artists who help sow the seeds of an area's economic recovery deserve to share in the harvest, it's a tragedy. So in 1999, when the vacant Riverside and Mapes hotels were slated for demolition, Berryman and her Sierra Arts colleagues seized an opportunity to rewrite the final scene. Partnering with ArtSpace Projects, Inc., a Minnesota-based nonprofit real estate developer that renovates historic buildings into live-work spaces for artists, Sierra Arts and ArtSpace bought the Riverside from the City of Reno Redevelopment Agency.

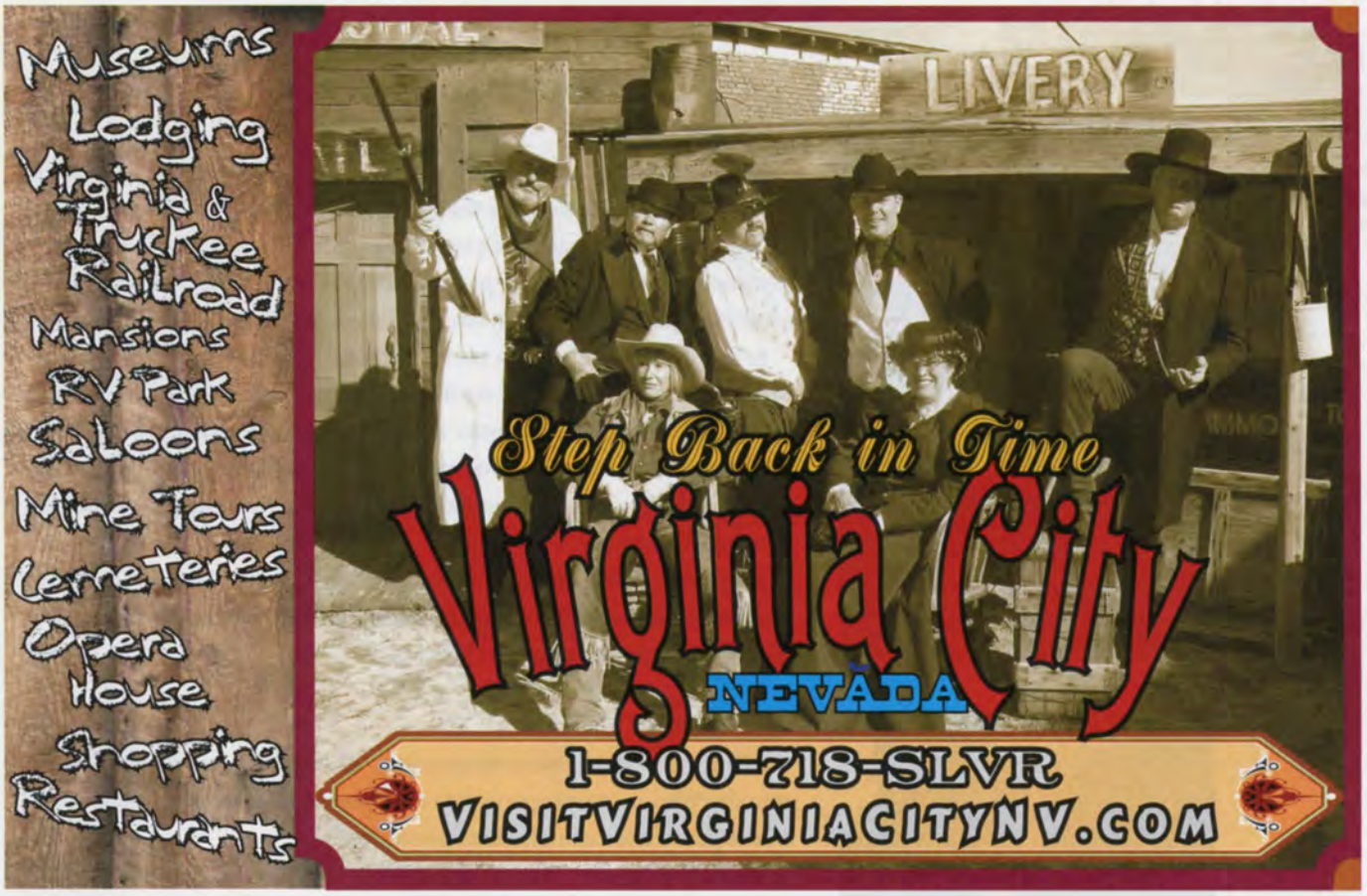
The now 81-year-old Riverside building proved structurally sound by modern standards, allowing all of its concrete floors and interior columns to be kept intact (meanwhile, the floor of the legendary Sky Room in the Mapes Hotel sagged perilously into the rooms below, contributing to its demolition in 2001). The Riverside's interior was completely gutted and refitted with new plumbing, electrical, and HVAC systems. The old kitchenettes gave way to one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments ranging in size from 780 to 1,600 square feet, with 10-foot-high ceilings and exposed heating and cooling ducts.

If those "lifestyle lofts" that keep popping up all over the downtowns of America come to mind, think again. These are bare-bones living quarters, built for people who make no more than 60 percent median income and think it's a luxury to have a coin-operated laundry room just down the hall. Most importantly, they maintain a dedication to their artistic talents. Riverside Artist Lofts tenants, Berryman says, come from "all five disciplines of the arts: visual, music, dance, theater, and literary."

In total, Riverside Artist Lofts has 35 residential units that occupy five of the building's six floors. Sharing the ground floor with Sierra Arts are Parasols Boutique, Dreamer's Coffeehouse & Deli (which also exhibits local artists' work), and Wild River Grille. The latter two open directly onto the Riverwalk, Reno's public plaza along the Truckee River. This puts Riverside Artist Lofts right in the heart of Reno's downtown renaissance, where the prices of the newly built luxury condominiums nearby can exceed $800,000.

Low-income artists and white-collar professionals are sharing in the downtown core's reawakening. "How often does that happen?" Berryman says with a laugh, clearly satisfied with the age-old drama's new happy ending. *Nevada Magazine* spoke with some of the tenants who have lived in Riverside Artist Lofts since it opened in 2000 and asked them what residing here has meant for their professional artistic development.

PHOTOS: MATTHEW B. BROWN (BOTTOM, LEFT); CHARLIE JOHNSTON (TOP & BOTTOM RIGHT)



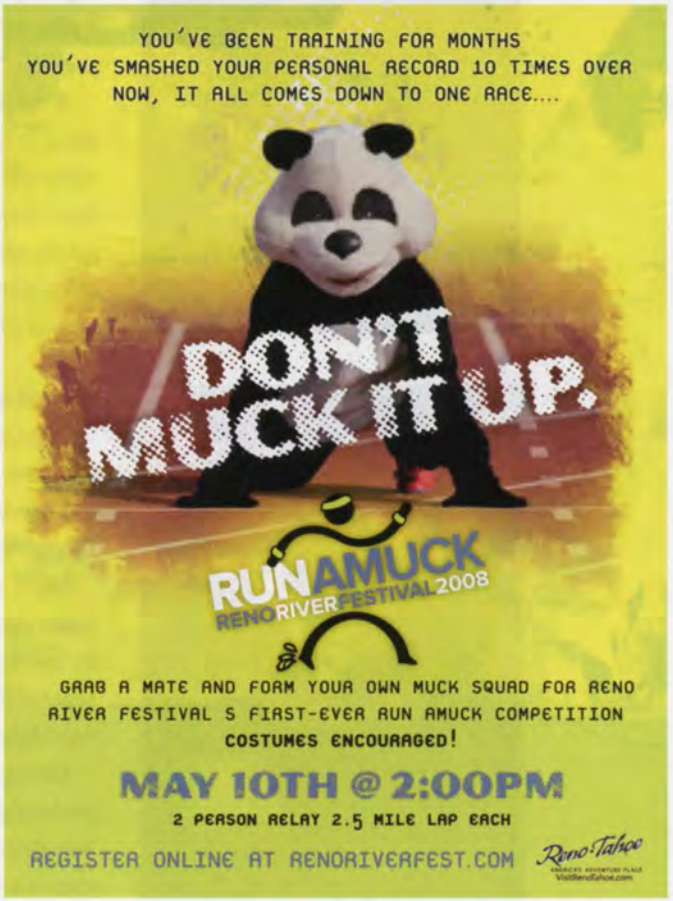
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Craig SMYRES

Loft living gives Craig Smyres room to indulge his versatility. When he says he has a ceramics studio, a wax studio, a digital studio, a painting and drawing studio, and a bronze studio, he's referring to different areas of his 1,000-square-foot live-work space. Works in progress occupy each one. He could call his desk a writing studio while he's at it, since he's also a novelist and short-story writer.

At the time of our interview, his bronze studio featured a casting of a woman perched atop a globe, lovingly cradling a car as if it were a newborn baby. She's a central piece in *Autolust*, Smyres' multimedia installation about human values and behavior in the face of global warming. Some sculptures from *Autolust* were part of a February-March group show held in UNLV's Marjorie Barrick Museum of Natural History.

Because he lives in Riverside Artist Lofts, Smyres says, "a lot more people are familiar with my work than would be otherwise." He plans to keep living here "until they throw me out or I'm carried out."



Mary BENNETT

Of living downtown, Mary Bennett says, "it's like you're in a *Sesame Street* episode: 'Who are the people in your neighborhood?' I love it. It's made me be more a part of a community than I've ever felt."

From the calm of her living room sofa, she becomes animated when describing the people she meets each day—a muralist painting a downtown storefront, a *plein air* painter setting up his easel on a bridge, or an actor rehearsing lines by the river. "It's just buzzin,' you know. It's so exciting."

A big part of the buzz is Brüka Theatre, a live-performance playhouse where Bennett is an artistic partner, manager, producer, director, and actor. Brüka specializes in "fun physical theater that is absolutely ludicrous," Bennett says. With show titles like "The Buttcracker" and "Reefer Madness: The Musical," well, you get the idea. "Signature Brüka," Bennett calls it. In November 2007 Brüka kicked off its 15th-anniversary season with "Buttcracker II: The Other Cheek." Sorry you missed it? You can still catch this season's remaining fare at bruka.org.



Bart McCOY

Bart McCoy's award-winning airbrush work spices up motorcycles all over Reno, but he hopes to one day be lauded for his oil painting, too. He specializes in contemporary classical realism, depicting modern subject matter with a Dutch-Flemish technique that harkens back to Rembrandt.

Other artists have taken notice of McCoy's work. He has participated in many group shows, including one in the Nevada Museum of Art. "That was really good for me," he says with understated satisfaction. "I got a lot of exposure from that." Truckee River Gallery, one of downtown Reno's newest exhibit spaces, will feature McCoy's work in October, along with fellow Reno painter Paul Mellender.

McCoy and his wife, Sara, a sculptor, have seen Reno change for the better during their years in Riverside Artist Lofts. "When we moved in," Bart says, "downtown was kind of a dump. There were bums everywhere. The past five years it's changed quite a bit and really feels like home."

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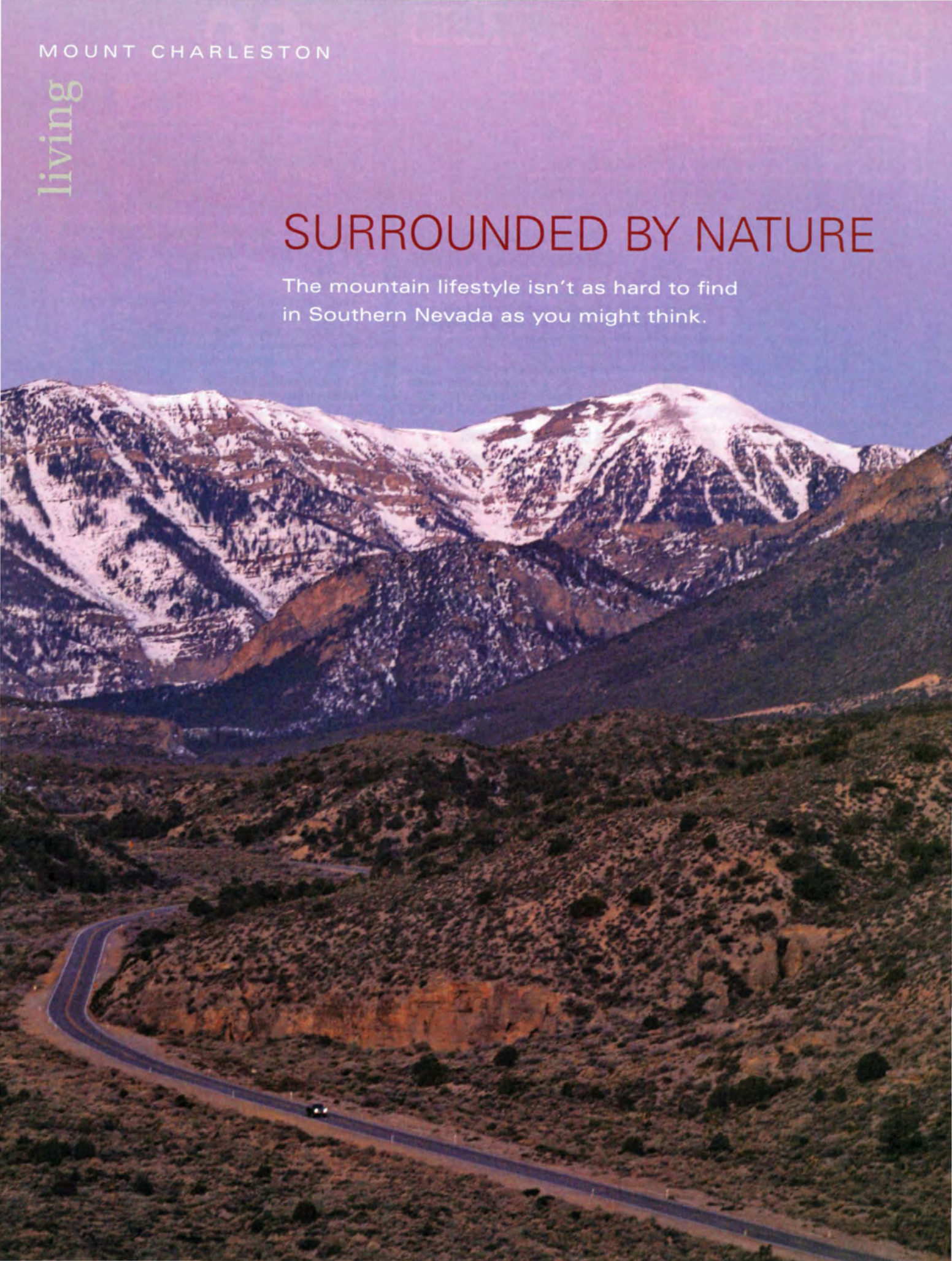
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FOR SOME SOUTHERN NEVADANS CAUGHT UP in the hustle-and-bustle Las Vegas lifestyle, the serenity and beauty of Mount Charleston—a short drive to the northwest—make for the perfect retreat.

"It's the best 50 miles of my life," says Allan Hirschorn about the drive from Vegas to his home off State Route 157 the gateway to Mount Charleston. The self-appointed, unofficial mayor of Mount Charleston and long-time gaming executive with MGM Grand isn't kidding. "When I get to Highway 157 I just say 'Thank you, God.'" Allan and his wife of 38 years, Patricia, used to have dinner dates in the mountains. However, they dreaded the return trips to Vegas and decided six years ago to buy a cottage in a place known locally as Rainbow Canyon. "My wife loves walking our dog in the morning," says the colorful 67-year-old Allan, a 46-year veteran of the gaming business. He is so entrenched in the Mount Charleston lifestyle that he serves on the volunteer fire department auxiliary division.

It is easy to see why people like living near Mount Charleston, with cabins and homes priced from $300,000 to $3 million. The general area can be as much as 25 degrees cooler than Vegas in the summer.

Garry and Angie Tomashowski are native Las Vegans who own and operate Mount Charleston Realty. Their love of weekend motorcycle excursions drew them to Mount Charleston. "When you hit that turnoff to Highway 157 you can feel your shoulders just relax," says Angie, who worked with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department for 17 years. The couple purchased their double A-frame chalet in the Rainbow Canyon subdivision in 1988 as a part-time getaway, but soon after moved there permanently.

Although their home was a Housing and Urban Development repurchase, the Tomashowskis worked hard to improve the property to its present condition. As they raised their family in Mount Charleston, their passion for the area grew. Angie says, "Appreciating the simple things like nature is invaluable." Now it's the Tomashowskis' job, along with their daughter, Katie, to show others the mountain-lifestyle dream. "We live, work, play, and sell a mountain paradise," Angie says.

State Route 157—shown on the opposite page as Charleston Peak looms in the distance—is the gateway to Mount Charleston. Allan and Patricia Hirschorn (above, with their West Highland Terrier, Hamish), have lived in the area for six years.





Long-time *Las Vegas Review-Journal* columnist John Smith, his wife, Tricia, and their daughter, Amelia, live in the Old Town subdivision. "Living at Mount Charleston gives us the opportunity to be surrounded by nature at more than 7,000 feet elevation and still live near Las Vegas," John says. "It's common for us to see mule deer in the yard. Last summer, a bobcat visited Old Town for a few weeks. Coyotes and foxes make regular rounds in the area, and on rare occasions someone spots a mountain lion." Kyle Canyon, near the Smith home, creates a unique perspective in that it catches the light. He says, "Distant limestone cliffs and pine-covered ridges come alive with detail and color.

"I was born in Henderson, but I can't imagine living anywhere else. During the harsh winters, I arrive at work with my Subaru covered with snow. I tell people I live in Minnesota, but work in Las Vegas."

Dan Sussman, a 47-year-old psychiatrist and native of Long Island, N.Y., says Mount Charleston is worth the commute. "You have to put up with a little weather to be off the beaten path," says Dan, who also resides in the Rainbow Canyon subdivision. "However, it's really not that far to have a totally different environment. I can get from Mount Charleston to anywhere in the city in about an hour. It seems like half the days you come down into the valley, it's a big dust bowl. These mountains are beautiful."

Dan has been in Southern Nevada for more than four years after living in Kentucky. He couldn't wait to get his house built into the side of a mountain. "It's totally worth it to live up there," he says, adding that he does worry about an avalanche taking out his home. "Right out the back of my house, the whole mountain pitches up 40 degrees. And three years ago, we had a six-foot base."

Even though he has challenges getting into the driveway because of the snow, Sussman wouldn't trade it for anything. "I lose about 10 pounds every winter shoveling snow," he says.

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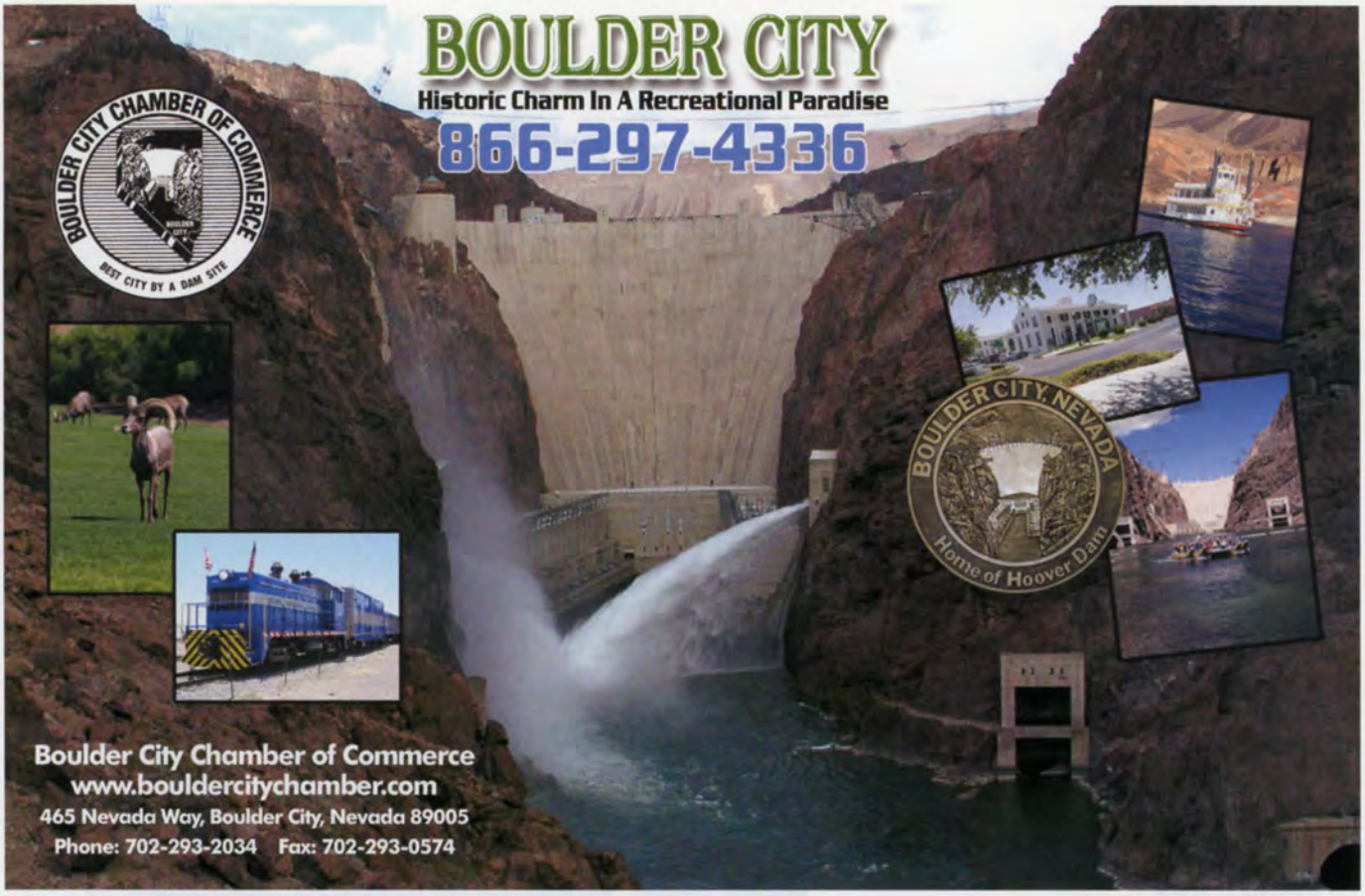
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Q&A with Paul Laxalt

Nevada-born senator recounts his bike-racing, water-drinking Carson City days

Senator Paul Laxalt was raised on politics. Born in Reno in 1922, his family later moved to Carson City. Laxalt's father herded sheep in the Basque tradition, and his mother ran a popular restaurant, the French Hotel, near the U.S. Mint (now the Nevada State Museum, six blocks from the state Capitol). It was at the restaurant that the youngster was captivated by conversations between Senator Patrick McCarran and his political cronies.

Laxalt, a republican, served as Carson City's district attorney and later was elected Nevada lieutenant governor. He became governor in 1967, around the time he made friends with California's freshman Governor Ronald Reagan, and was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1974. He fulfilled two terms (1975-87).

The Santa Clara University graduate comes from a family of eight and has raised six daughters and a son. Although he now lives in Virginia with his wife, Carol, he remains rooted in his home state. He visits Nevada every August to spend time with family and friends in Carson City and relax on family property at Marlette Lake in North Lake Tahoe.

Laxalt spoke with KTVN Reno news anchor Erin Meehan Breen in January.



Former Nevada Governor and U.S. Senator Paul Laxalt works at his office in Washington, D.C., where he is president of The Paul Laxalt Group, a government consulting firm.

COMMENT ON THIS STORY AT NEVADAMAGAZINE.COM

Q What was it like to grow up in Carson City?

A As I recall we had a couple thousand people at best. It was an exercise in simplicity in every way. Only one street in Carson City was paved, and that was the main street. That was good because we not only didn't have much traffic, but Sundays were reserved for bike racing, which we would have from the front of the Capitol to our little [French] Hotel on Carson Street.

We went to school in a building where we had all 12 grades, and our home was in walking distance of school and church. We had little need to even get into a car, much less use one.

Q What kind of a town was it?

A It was a political town. My mother ran a Basque restaurant, and the political types would all come there because she was a marvelous cook. She was a graduate of Cordon Bleu, and you can't do any better than that.

Q What drew you to politics?

A Probably osmosis. I used to hang around the hotel all the time. Everyone was there—the governor would even be there.

Senator McCarran was a regular guest. I'd sit there in between courses and listen to profound discussions about free trade and all these things that I thought sounded interesting.

Q How has your upbringing affected your political views?

A My parents were fiercely independent, and I was taught that there is no nobler profession than getting into public service, and I treat it as such. I saw in Carson City the good, and the harm, that public officials can do.

Q You were considered Ronald Reagan's "First Friend" and collaborated with him on bi-state projects like the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency. What was he like to work with?

A He couldn't have been better. He was a kind, decent man. He never professed to know more than he should, and he was very considerate of everybody else's opinion.

He was more than a Hollywood-type figure. He learned to do his homework. When we got into the Tahoe issue, we both came to the conclusion that we needed "metro" government up there, which was difficult for two conservatives to swallow. Otherwise, one morning Tahoe might just turn grey, and we didn't want that to happen on our watch.

Q Once you made it to the statehouse, you must have thought, "I've really made it now."

A Well, I did in a sense, but still I had only a statewide plane of reference at the time. But moving from where we lived to the mansion was only about, oh, 100 feet. We were still in the same neighborhood. To think that one day I'd be occupying the mansion as governor was just beyond my means. I just couldn't relate to that at all.

Q What are your favorite places and memories of Nevada?

A Well, my early memories are of Carson City. I think the principal attribute at that time was that we had the finest untreated water in the world. If you drank Carson City water you were spoiled forever.

Otherwise it was a matter of knowing that [Nevada] had a very proud tradition of live and let live. I've applied that in a lot of my own political decisions. If it doesn't need fixing, leave it the hell alone!

Q What is our state's biggest treasure?

A I think Lake Tahoe will always be the state's biggest treasure—probably in the whole country. I can't think of a nicer place. That's why we need to watch and protect it.

NEVADA ONLINE

For more of the interview with Paul Laxalt, including his thoughts on legendary Las Vegas casino mogul Howard Hughes, visit **nevadamagazine.com**.

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HONORS

Richard Moreno

Macomb, Illinois

The former publisher of *Nevada Magazine* (1992-2006) and renowned Nevada author received a Silver Pen Award in 2007 from the Friends of the Library at the University of Nevada, Reno. For more than two decades, Moreno has written an award-winning weekly history/travel column about Nevada that has appeared in the *Lahontan Valley News*, *Nevada Appeal*, and *Gardnerville Record-Courier*. He is a former journalism instructor at the Reynolds School of Journalism at UNR and was Director of Advertising and Public Relations for the Nevada Commission on Tourism, during which time he created the successful "Highway 50: The Loneliest Road in America" promotion. Moreno's blog, *The Backyard Traveler*, spotlights his many Silver State sojourns. backyardtraveler.blogspot.com



IN MEMORY

Frank Winnemucca

Sutcliffe

The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe elder and great-grandson of Chief Winnemucca died February 28 at the age of 77 Born January 8, 1931, Winnemucca was instrumental in his later years as a teacher of the Paiute language through the Master Apprentice Language Program at the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony. Chief Winnemucca was the father of Nevada icon and Native American rights pioneer Sarah Winnemucca (see statue).

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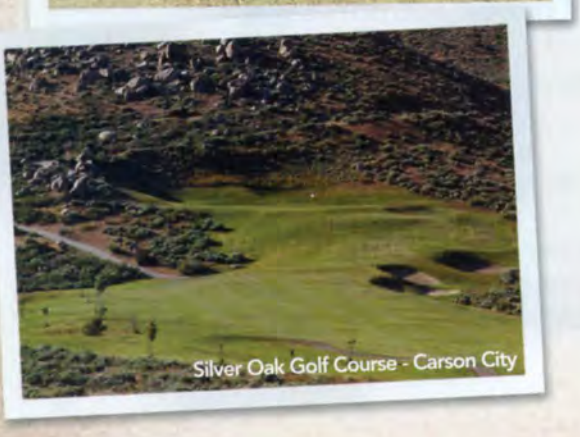
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Welcome to Year-Round Golf in Rural Nevada Paradise

by John Marshall

Mesquite and Carson City/Carson Valley may be 500 miles apart but they have a whole lot in common when it comes to golf. Both are chock full of high quality courses in mint condition throughout the year and with price tags that don't require a second mortgage. Add in the 24/7 excitement of their world class casino resorts and you end up with the perfect recipe for the ultimate golf destinations. And that's a win-win for virtually every golfer.

Mesquite

Golf Mesquite serves up seven terrific golf options including two in nearby St. George, Utah. They are all rich in variety with the common thread being breathtaking mountain and desert views from opening tee shot to final tap in. From the gently rolling fairways and greens of CasaBlanca Golf Club to the plunging elevation drops just across the expressway at Falcon Ridge, golfers will experience some of Nevada's best designed layouts. Mesquite is also home to numerous annual golf events including the RE/MAX World Long Drive Championship and the Mesquite Amateur.

Mesquite lodging options are many and varied and include the CasaBlanca Resort, Oasis Resort, the Eureka Casino Hotel, the Virgin River Casino Hotel, Falcon Ridge Hotel and Highland Estates. Golfers are well known for their enjoyment of red hot gaming action, and all of these first class facilities except Falcon Ridge and Highland Estates contain every one of the popular table games and slot options. In addition, both CasaBlanca and Oasis have world class spas where golfers and non-golfers alike can sooth tired muscles and invigorate their spirits with a relaxing massage or with any number of other very special treatments.

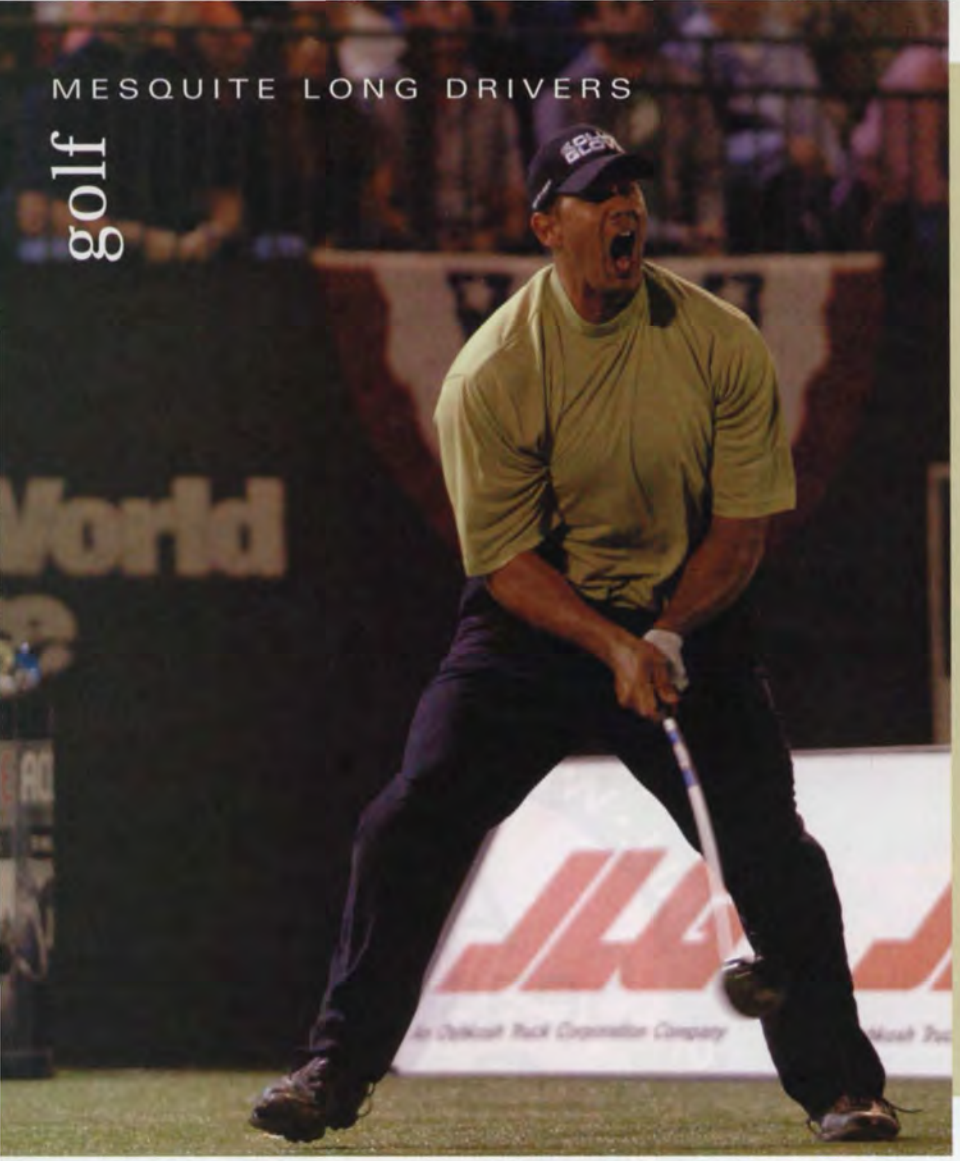
Carson City / Carson Valley

While southern Nevada temperatures are perfect for golf in the spring, fall and winter and a tad on the warm side in the summer, the Carson City area fills in that blank to perfection and can claim three ideal golf seasons of its own. The Carson City/Carson Valley co-op group is justifiably proud of its Divine Nine, a memorable collection of nine area courses as well as eight lodging options that make golf getaways to Nevada's capital city not only fun but an irresistible bargain as well. The courses run the gamut from high desert and open valley layouts with meandering rivers and creeks, sage-brush lined fairways, dramatic elevation changes and well-manicured fairways both wide and narrow. Among the most popular and highly rated are Dayton Valley at Legado, Genoa Lakes Golf Resort and The Golf Club at Genoa Lakes.

Equally varied are the Carson City and the Carson Valley accommodations which run the gamut from historic bed and breakfasts to comfortable motels, to exciting casino-hotels such as Carson Valley Inn & Casino and Gold Dust West which have all the games as well as top notch entertainment. There are options and rates to fit every taste and budget as well as such features as swimming pools, fitness centers, meeting space, business centers and much, much more.

Both destinations are easy to reach with flights into Las Vegas or Reno and both offer extraordinary golf packages that can be customized to fit anyone's needs and desires. For more information about these two popular areas, visit both **www.golfmesquitenevada.com** and **www.divine9.com**.


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You know Phil and the PGA Tour, the Walrus and the Champions Tour, and Annika and the LPGA Tour. Do you know Mike Dobbyn, Frank Miller, and Sheila Kelliher? They're golfers, reigning world champions, in fact. Not exactly Tiger, Watson, and Ochoa when it comes to name—and paycheck—but players with hearts as big and drive, no pun intended, to match.

They're long drivers. And their Augusta is Mesquite and their Masters is the RE/MAX World Long Drive Championship, coming to the little burg on the border, October 20-25.

The event must be witnessed—admission is free—to be fully grasped, and all players and fans should make at least one pilgrimage to the mecca of Surlyn. During lead-in rounds, combatants hit side by side with rock 'n' roll blaring from loudspeakers, so fear not a snarling caddy having someone removed for blinking while his guy is in the throes of a six-step pre-shot routine. Come finals, some 2,500 celebrants pack the stands, anticipating someone going deep and another a bit deeper. They cheer and holler—including participants who bowed out in earlier rounds—in the cool fall air, and in tribute to ESPN's

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Mike Dobbyn (top), the 2007 RE/MAX World Long Drive Championship Open Division winner, lets out a yell as he crushes a drive at Palms Golf Club in Mesquite. The Las Vegas resident won with a 385-yard drive in the match-play final last October. This year's event, October 20-25, will feature 272 competitors in five divisions.

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More than 2,000 fans (right) come to Mesquite every October for the RE/MAX World Long Drive Championship at Palms Golf Club. Jason Zuback (left) celebrated his fifth title—and first since 1999—in 2006.

broadcast of the event around Christmas time, many ham it up for the cameras with "Happy Holidays" signs. (Sorry if we just blew your cover with Aunt Nora as to why you're never able to make it to her place for Christmas Eve fruitcake.)

As a matter of practice, long drivers are given two minutes, 45 seconds to hit six drives toward a 50-yard-wide grid. If you're thinking that's easy, time how long it takes you to put a peg in the ground, tee one up, gyrate, choke the grip to death, waggle, and fire. Now do it six times in less than three minutes, with AC/DC banging your inner ears and another gorilla of the grid doing the same right next to you.

While there are indeed close friendships among the guys who play on the PGA Tour, the long drivers are a throwback to the days when the likes of Sam Snead and Byron Nelson barnstormed around the country going from event to event by whatever means possible. There's a basic camaraderie among the long drivers, and it shows. Sure, David Mobley cashed the first-ever six-figure check in the sport when he captured the 2004 championship, and this year's Open Division winner will garner a cool quarter-million, but it's a far cry from the PGA Tour, and that's not a put down.

Golf balls are absolutely crushed. Punished. As in top-dog Dobbyn going deep to the tune of 385 yards in the 2007 final. As in Brian Pavlet once airing it out 435 yards in a preliminary round. To the fans, it's a drive for show, but these guys also do it for the dough.

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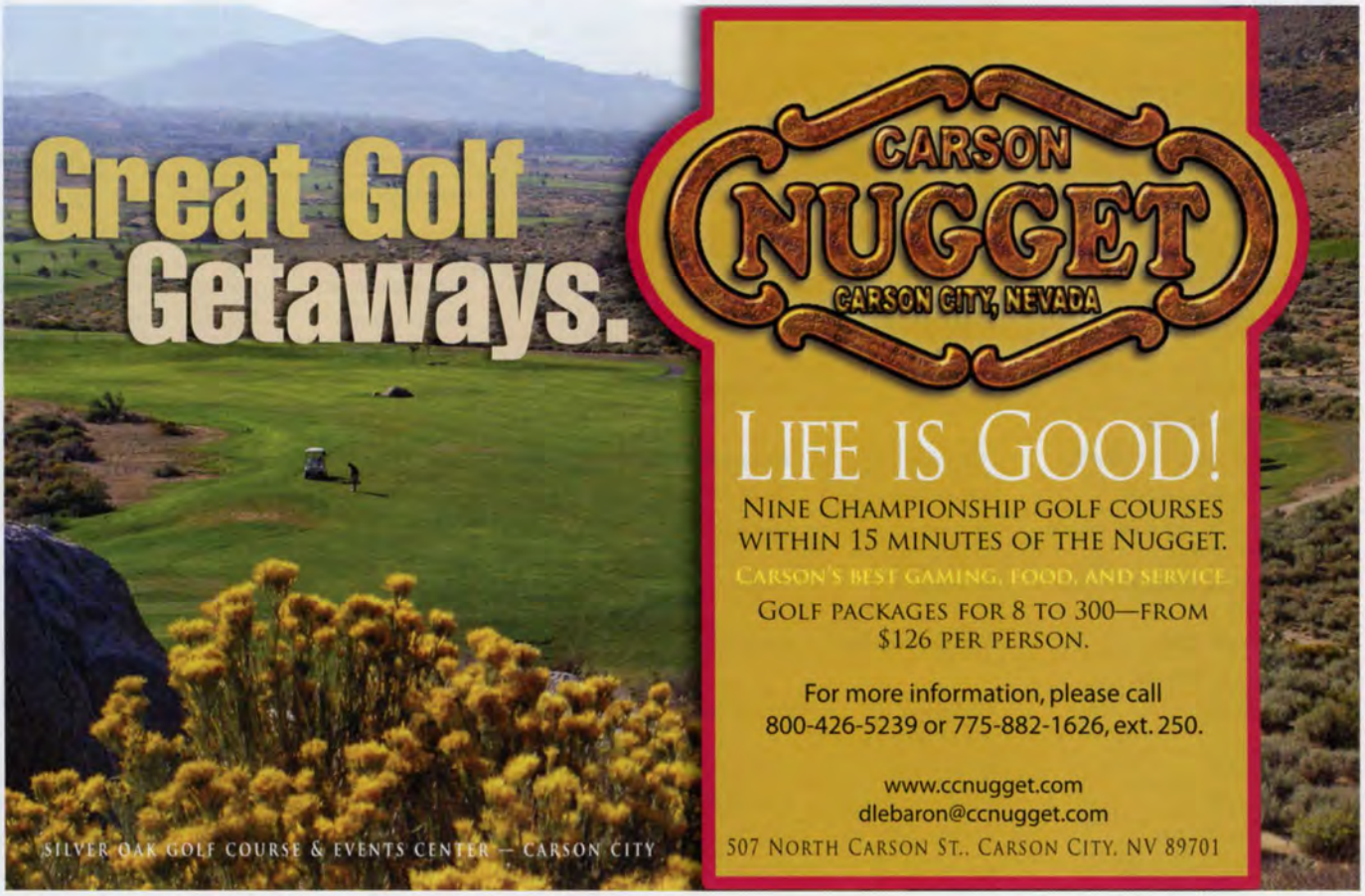


1. Mountain Falls Golf Club, Pahrump
2. ArrowCreek Country Club, Reno
3. Oasis Golf Club, Canyons Course, Mesquite

Course Name	Physical Address	Local Phone	Toll Free Phone	Web site	Dates of operation	Holes	Par	Rates range
Battle Mountain								
MOUNTAIN VIEW GOLF COURSE	205 Fairway Dr.	775-635-2380		mvgolfclub.com	Mar-Oct	9	35	22 or less
Boulder City								
BOULDER CITY MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE	1 Club House Dr.	702-293-9236		bouldercitygolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	call
BOULDER CREEK GOLF CLUB	1501 Veterans Memorial Dr.	702-294-6534		bouldercreekgc.com	Jan-Dec	27	72	60-150
CASCATA GOLF CLUB	One Cascata Dr.	702-294-2000	877-222-2455	golfcascata.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	350-500
Carson City								
EAGLE VALLEY GOLF COURSE East Course	3999 Centennial Park Dr.	775-887-2380		eaglevalleygolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	15-35
EAGLE VALLEY GOLF COURSE West Course	3999 Centennial Park Dr.	775-887-2380		eaglevalleygolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	25-45
EMPIRE RANCH GOLF COURSE	1875 Fair Wy.	775-885-2100	888-227-1335	empireranchgolf.com	Jan-Dec	27	72	25-45
SILVER OAK GOLF CLUB	1251 Country Club Dr.	775-841-7000		silveroakgolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	71	25-60
SUNRIDGE GOLF CLUB	1000 Long Dr.	775-267-4448		sunridgegolfclub.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	30-60
Carson Valley Gardnerville, Genoa, Minden								
CARSON VALLEY GOLF COURSE	1027 Riverview Dr.	775-265-3181		carsonvalleygolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	71	20-46
GENOA LAKES GOLF CLUB Lakes Course	1 Genoa Lakes Dr.	775-782-4653	866-795-2709	genoalakes.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	55-120
GENOA LAKES GOLF CLUB Resort Course	2901 Jacks Valley Rd.	775-782-3042	866-795-2709	genoalakes.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	45-90
Dayton								
DAYTON VALLEY GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB AT LEGADO	101 Palmer Dr.	775-246-7888	800-644-3822	daytonvalley.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	25-105

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Death Valley								
FURNACE CREEK GOLF COURSE	CA Hwy. 190	760-786-2301		furnacecreekresort.com	Jan-Dec	18	70	55-67.50
Elko								
RUBY VIEW GOLF COURSE	2100 Ruby View Dr.	775-777-7277		ci.elko.nv.us/recreation/golf.htm	Mar-Oct	18	71	25-30
SPRING CREEK GOLF COURSE	410 Fairway Blvd.	775-753-6331		springcreeknv.net/sca-golf-page.html	Mar-Oct	18	71	30-35
Ely								
WHITE PINE GOLF COURSE	151 N. Golf Course Dr.	775-289-4095		elygolfing.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	15-25
Empire								
BURNING SANDS GOLF COURSE	Downtown; Hwy. 447	775-557-2341 x224			Jan-Dec	9	32	Donation
Fallon								
THE GOLF COURSE AT FALLON	2655 Country Club Dr.	775-423-4616		golffallon.com	Jan-Dec	9	36	25-35
Fernley								
THE GOLF CLUB AT FERNLEY	50 Desert Lakes Dr.	775-835-6933		fernleygolfclub.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	30-50
Hawthorne								
WALKER LAKE GOLF CLUB AT THE DEPOT	Hawthorne Army Ammunition Depot	775-945-1111			Jan-Dec	9	68	12-18
Henderson								
BLACK MOUNTAIN GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB	500 Greenway Rd.	702-565-7933	866-596-4TEE	golfblackmountain.com	Jan-Dec	27	72	39-85
DESERT WILLOW GOLF COURSE	2020 W. Horizon Ridge Pkwy.	702-263-4653		desertwillowlasvegas.com	Jan-Dec	18	60	28-57
LEGACY GOLF CLUB	130 Par Excellence Dr.	702-897-2187	888-4GOLFLV	thelegacygc.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	135-155
REFLECTION BAY GOLF CLUB AT LAKE LAS VEGAS	75 MonteLago Blvd.	702-740-4653	877-698-4653	lakelasvegas.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	165-295
REVERE GOLF CLUB Concord	2600 Hampton Rd.	702-259-4653	877-273-8373	reveregolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	90-255
REVERE GOLF CLUB Lexington	2600 Hampton Rd.	702-259-4653	877-273-8373	reveregolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	90-255
RIO SECCO GOLF CLUB	2851 Grand Hills Dr.	702-777-2400	888-TO-SECCO	riosecco.net	Jan-Dec	18	72	10-295
SOUTHSHORE GOLF CLUB AT LAKE LAS VEGAS	100 Strada Di Circolo	702-558-0022	800-564-1603	lakelasvegas.com	Jan-Dec	18	71	Private
THE FALLS GOLF CLUB AT LAKE LAS VEGAS	101 Via Vin Santo	702-740-5258	877-698-4653	lakelasvegas.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	165-295
TUSCANY GOLF CLUB	901 Olivia Pkwy.	702-951-1500	866-TUSCANY	tuscanygolfclub.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	55-150
WILDHORSE GOLF CLUB	2100 W. Warm Springs Rd.	702-434-9000		golfwildhorse.com	Jan-Dec	18	70	33-104
Jackpot								
JACKPOT GOLF CLUB	415 Ace Dr.	775-755-2260			Mar-Nov	18	72	25-44
Lake Tahoe, North								
NORTHSTAR-AT-TAHOE GOLF COURSE	100 Northstar Dr.	530-562-2490	800-GO-NORTH	northstarattahoe.com	May-Oct	18	72	45-89
OLD BROCKWAY GOLF COURSE	400 Brassie Ave.	530-546-9909		oldbrockway.com	Apr-Nov	9	36	30-70
THE GOLF COURSES AT INCLINE VILLAGE Championship Course	955 Fairway Blvd.	775-832-1146	866-925-GOLF	golfincline.com	May-Oct	18	72	99-169
THE GOLF COURSES AT INCLINE VILLAGE Mountain Course	690 Wilson Wy.	775-832-1150	866-925-GOLF	golfincline.com	May-Oct	18	58	40-65
RESORT AT SQUAW CREEK	400 Squaw Creek Rd.	530-581-6637	800-327-3353	squawcreek.com/golf.php	May-Oct	18	71	50-115
Lake Tahoe, South								
BIJOU GOLF COURSE	3464 Fairway and Johnson Blvd.	530-542-6097		recreationintahoe.com	Apr-Oct	9	32	15-18
EDGEWOOD TAHOE	180 Lake Pkwy.	775-588-3566	888-881-8659	edgewood-tahoe.com	May-Oct	18	72	150-225
GLENBROOK CLUB	2070 Pray Meadow Rd.	775-749-5201			May-Oct	9	71	Private
LAKE TAHOE GOLF COURSE	2500 Emerald Bay Rd.	530-577-0788		laketahoegc.com	Apr-Oct	18	71	52-80
TAHOE PARADISE GOLF COURSE	3021 U.S. Hwy. 50	530-577-2121		tahoeparadisegc.com	May-Oct	18	66	40-58

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Las Vegas/North Las Vegas								
ALIANTE GOLF CLUB	3100 W. Elkhorn	702-399-4888	877-399-4888	aliantegolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	50-140
ANGEL PARK GOLF CLUB Cloud 9 Course	100 S. Rampart Blvd.	702-254-4653	888-446-5358	angelpark.com	Jan-Dec	12	27	17-25
ANGEL PARK GOLF CLUB Mountain Course	100 S. Rampart Blvd.	702-254-4653	888-446-5358	angelpark.com	Jan-Dec	18	71	45-155
ANGEL PARK GOLF CLUB Palm Course	100 S. Rampart Blvd.	702-254-4653	888-446-5358	angelpark.com	Jan-Dec	18	70	45-155
ANTHEM COUNTRY CLUB	1 Club Side Dr.	702-614-5000		anthemcc.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	Private
ARROYO GOLF CLUB	2250 C Red Springs Dr.	702-258-2300	800-934-4653	thearroyogolfclub.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	Call
BADLANDS GOLF CLUB	9119 Alta Dr.	702-363-0754	888-TROON-US	badlandsgc.com	Jan-Dec	27	72	80-200
BALI HAI GOLF CLUB	5160 Las Vegas Blvd. S.	702-450-8181	888-397-2499	balihaigolfclub.com	Jan-Dec	18	71	150-325
BEAR'S BEST GOLF CLUB	11111 W. Flamingo Rd.	702-804-8500	866-385-8500	bearsbest.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	225-275
CALLAWAY GOLF CENTER	6730 Las Vegas Blvd. S.	702-896-4100		cgclv.com	Jan-Dec	9	27	30-37
CANYON GATE COUNTRY CLUB	2001 Canyon Gate Dr.	702-363-0303		canyon-gate.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	Private
CRAIG RANCH GOLF COURSE	628 W. Craig Rd.	702-642-9700			Jan-Dec	18	70	19-35
DESERT PINES GOLF CLUB	3415 E. Bonanza Rd.	702-450-8181	888-397-2499	waltersgolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	71	135-175
DESERT ROSE GOLF COURSE	5483 Clubhouse Dr.	702-431-4653		desertrose.americangolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	71	35-99
DRAGONRIDGE COUNTRY CLUB	552 S. Stephanie St.	702-614-4444	877-855-1505	dragonridgegolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	100-250
DURANGO HILLS GOLF CLUB	3501 N. Durango Dr.	702-229-4653		durangohillsgolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	58	31-39
EAGLE CREST GOLF CLUB/Sun City	2203 Thomas Ryan Blvd.	702-240-1320	800-803-0758	golfsummerlin.com	Jan-Dec	18	60	30-70
HIGHLAND FALLS GOLF CLUB/Sun City	10201 Sun City Blvd.	702-254-7010	800-803-0758	golfsummerlin.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	40-62
LAS VEGAS COUNTRY CLUB	3000 Joe W. Brown Dr.	702-734-1122		lasvegascc.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	Private
LAS VEGAS GOLF CLUB	4300 W. Washington Ave.	702-646-3003		americangolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	27-89





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LAS VEGAS NATIONAL GOLF CLUB	1911 E. Desert Inn Rd.	702-734-1796		lasvegasnational.com	Jan-Dec	18	71	59-179
LAS VEGAS PAIUTE RESORT Snow Mountain Course	10325 Nu-Wav Kaiv Blvd.	702-658-1400	800-711-2833	lvpaiutegolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	95-185
LAS VEGAS PAIUTE RESORT Sun Mountain Course	10325 Nu-Wav Kaiv Blvd.	702-658-1400	800-711-2833	lvpaiutegolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	95-185
LAS VEGAS PAIUTE RESORT Wolf Course	10325 Nu-Wav Kaiv Blvd.	702 658-1400	800-711-2833	lvpaiutegolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	105-199
LOS PRADOS COUNTRY CLUB	5150 Los Prados Cir.	702-645-5696		losprados-golf.com	Jan-Dec	18	70	call
NORTH LAS VEGAS GOLF COURSE	324 E. Brooks Ave.	702-633-1833		cityofnorthlasvegas.com	Jan-Dec	9	27	7-18
PAINTED DESERT GOLF CLUB	5555 Painted Mirage Rd.	702-645-2570		painteddesertgc.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	45-159
PALM VALLEY GOLF CLUB/Sun City	9201 Del Webb Blvd.	702-363-4373	800-803-0758	golfsummerlin.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	40-62
RED ROCK COUNTRY CLUB – Mountain Course	2250 Red Red Springs Dr.	702-304-5600		redrockcountryclub.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	Private
RHODES RANCH GOLF CLUB	20 Rhodes Ranch Pkwy.	702-740-4114	888-311-TEES	rhodesranchgolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	50-130
ROYAL LINKS GOLF CLUB	5995 E. Vegas Valley Dr.	702-450-8181	888-397-2499	royallinksgolfclub.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	100-250
SHADOW CREEK	3 Shadow Creek Dr.	702-791-7111	866-260-0069	shadowcreek.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	500
SIENA GOLF CLUB	10575 Siena Monte Ave.	702-341-9200	888-689-6469	sienagolfclub.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	Call
SILVERSTONE GOLF CLUB	8600 Cupp Dr.	702-562-3770	877-888-2127	silverstonegolfclub.com	Jan-Dec	27	72	35-165
SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS GOLF CLUB	1 Robert Trent Jones Ln.	702-263-1000		southernhighlands.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	Private
SPANISH TRAIL COUNTRY CLUB	5050 Spanish Trail Ln.	702-364-0357		spanishtrailcc.com	Jan.-Dec.	27	72	Private
STALLION MOUNTAIN COUNTRY CLUB Secretariat Course	5500 E. Flamingo Rd.	702-450-8077	888-397-2499	stallionmountaincc.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	60-179
SUNRISE VISTA GOLF COURSE – Nellis AFB military use only Eagle/Falcon Course	2841 Kinley Dr.	702-652-2602		nellisservices.com/golf.asp	Jan-Dec	18	72	30-50
SUNRISE VISTA GOLF COURSE Nellis AFB military use only Raptor/Thunderbird Course	2841 Kinley Dr.	702-652-2602		nellisservices.com/golf.asp	Jan-Dec	18	72	30-50
TOURNAMENT PLAYERS CLUB SUMMERLIN	1700 Village Center Cir.	702-256-0111		tpcsummerlin.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	Private
TOURNAMENT PLAYERS CLUB LAS VEGAS	9851 Canyon Run Dr.	702-256-2000		tpccanyons.com	Jan-Dec	18	71	170-285
WYNN GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB	3131 Las Vegas Blvd. S.	702-770-7100	877-321-WYNN	wynnlasvegas.com	Jan-Dec	18	70	500
Laughlin								
DESERT LAKES GOLF CLUB	5835 Desert Lakes Dr.	928-768-1000		desertlakesgc.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	25-85
EL RIO COUNTRY CLUB	One Paseo El Rio	928-788-3150		elriocountryclub.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	39-94
LAUGHLIN RANCH GOLF CLUB	1360 William Hardy Dr.	928-754-1243		laughlinranch.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	40-125
MOJAVE RESORT GOLF CLUB	9905 Aha Macav Pkwy.	702-535-4653		mojaveresortgolfclub.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	39-99
Mesquite								
CASABLANCA GOLF CLUB	1100 W. Hafen Ln.	702-346-6764	866-401-6022	golfmesquitenevada.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	80-100
FALCON RIDGE GOLF COURSE	1024 Normandy Ln.	702-346-6363	877-270-4653	golffalcon.com	Jan-Dec	18	71	45-110
OASIS GOLF CLUB Canyons Course	100 Palmer Ln.	702-346-7820	888-367-3386	theoasisgolfclub.com	Jan-Dec	18	71	40-110
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Pioche								
LINCOLN COUNTY GOLF COURSE	Off Hwy. 322 1/2 mile	775-962-5206			Apr-Nov	9	29	Donation

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Primm								
PRIMM VALLEY GOLF CLUB Desert Course	1 Yates Well Rd.	702-679-5509	888-847-2757	primmvalleyresorts.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	85-200
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ARROWCREEK COUNTRY CLUB-Challenge Course	2905 Arrowcreek Pkwy.	775-850-4653		arrowcreekcc.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	Private
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D'ANDREA GOLF CLUB	2900 S. D'Andrea Pkwy.	775-331-6363		dandreagolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	71	35-105
HIDDEN VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB	3575 E. Hidden Valley Rd.	775 -857-4742		hvccreno.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	40-70
LAKERIDGE GOLF COURSE	1218 Golf Club Dr.	775-825-2200	800-815-6966	lakeridgegolf.com	Jan-Dec	18	71	40-100
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SIERRA SAGE GOLF COURSE	6355 Silver Lake Blvd.	775-972-1564		sierrasagegolf.org	Jan-Dec	18	71	15-22
SOMERSETT COUNTRY CLUB	2019 Championship Trl.	775-787-1800		somersett.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	Private
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THUNDER CANYON	19 Lightning "W" Ranch Rd.	775-882-0882		thundercanyon.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	Private
WASHOE COUNTY GOLF COURSE	2601 Foley Wy.	775-828-6640		washoegolf.org	Jan-Dec	18	72	15-30
WILDCREEK GOLF COURSE Championship Course	3500 Sullivan Ln.	775-673-3100		visitrenotahoe.com	Jan-Dec	27	72	30-69
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WOLF RUN GOLF CLUB	1400 Wolf Run Rd.	775-851-3301		wolfrungolfclub.com	Jan-Dec	18	72	45-75
TOANA VISTA GOLF COURSE	2319 West Pueblo Blvd.	775-664-4300	800-852-4330		Feb-Nov	18	72	43
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TAHOE CITY GOLF COURSE	251 N. Lake Blvd.	530 583-1516			Apr-Nov	9	66	36-74
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NAKOMA GOLF RESORT	348 Bear Run	530-832-5067	877-462-5662	nakomagolfresort.com	May-Oct	18	72	30-80
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WHITEHAWK RANCH GOLF CLUB	768 Whitehawk Dr.	530-836-0394	800-332-HAWK	golfwhitehawk.com	Apr-Oct	18	71	55-140
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CRYSTAL PEAK GOLF COURSE	450 River Pines Dr.	775-345-1551		verdi.us/golf.html	Mar-Dec	9	36	30-60
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WINNEMUCCA MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE	1365 Mizpah St.	775-623-9920			Mar-Oct	9	36	15-18
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FULL STEAM AHEAD

Railroaders and art lovers come together July 17 to August 17 for the inaugural Railway Reflections International Art Expo in Carson City. The festival is a fundraiser to help restore the historic Virginia & Truckee Railroad's 18-mile route from Virginia City to Carson City, planned to open as a tourist attraction in 2011. The schedule of events includes gourmet dinners, wine and beer tastings, a black-tie dinner, and a lecture on the Chinese contribution to the railroad. A film festival, model train displays, performing arts, and a golf tournament will keep participants busy. Memorabilia collectors also can find a limited edition V&T medallion at the Nevada State Museum in Carson City. 775-885-6833, railwayreflections.org



Splash Dash

Adventure lovers get down, dirty, and wet during **Reno River Festival**, May 9-11. Spectators can watch the pro and amateur kayakers negotiate the Truckee River, hoist a brew at the beer garden, and absorb the music and entertainment. There also are mountain bike speed trials, free kayak clinics, and the Run Amuck relay race. Band-Aids optional. 775-784-9400, renoriverfestival.com

History Lives

Super detective Alan Pinkerton, Abraham Lincoln, and Maj. Gen. John McClernan (left to right) are featured in this photo taken on September 19, 1862 at the Union victory at Antietam, Maryland. If you have questions about the assassinated president, it's possible to ask them through the magic of Chautauqua, June 22-26 in Reno, when **Nevada Humanities Chautauqua** presents "Lincoln and the Civil War." 775-784-6587, nevadahumanities.org





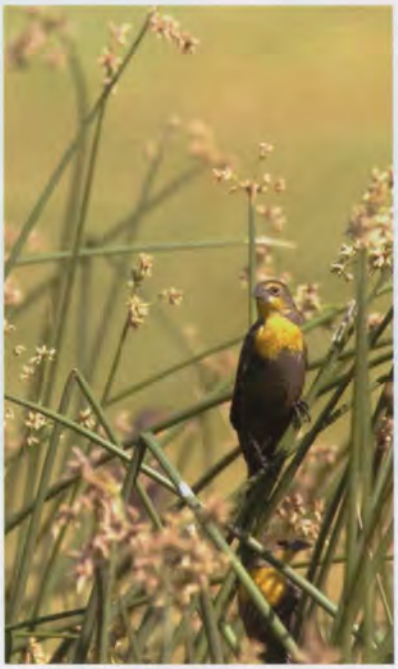
She's Baaaack

On May 6, **Cher** begins a three-year, 200-performance schedule at Caesars Palace. The singer will join Bette Midler and Elton John to form a superstar triple header that is unique on the Strip. Of her new home, Cher says, "I started in Vegas at Caesars, so I've come full circle." 866-510-CHER, ticketmaster.com (keyword "Cher").

Hot Foot

Showgoers will see acrobatics, martial arts, and dance, May 24-29, when **"Jungua: Descendents of the Dragon"** headlines at Harrah's Laughlin. The show, which features Kung Fu Monks and Imperial Acrobats, celebrates Chinese culture. 702-298-8510, harrahs.com





This One's for the Birds

Ready to prowl for owls, admire advocets, and peek at pelicans? More than 260 bird species visit the Lahontan Valley and Stillwater wetlands during spring migration. The **Spring Wings Bird Festival**, May 9-11 in Fallon, features tours, lectures, birdhouse building for kids, an art show, and bird bingo. 775-428-6452, springwings.org

—KRIS VAGNER

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hey!

Ballroom now it's raw and flirtatious



BY CHARLIE JOHNSTON

The first thought that entered my mind after seeing Eldorado's latest show, "FloorPlay," was: "How does the cast keep dancing, spinning, twirling, flipping, and sweating for so long?"

"The excitement of doing the dances we love is enough to bring the energy out of us," says dancer Robin Windsor.

Bringing some of that energy to the audience, the dancers frequently and spontaneously snap their fingers, followed by a quick, sharp, "Hey!" punctuating the popping dance moves and irresistible rhythms. It's not necessarily a planned part of the performance or part of a script that dictates, "Shout 'Hey!' after this step." It's more of an impromptu display of passion and excitement.

The dancers' love for their work shows through the entire performance. Beaming smiles and playful

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teasing fuel the international cast through an eclectic mix of sensual Latin dances such as the Rumba, Cha-Cha, and Salsa; classic ballroom Fox Trots and Lindys—with modern twists; and snappy big-band-style swing dances.

Singers Esther Hannaford and Kieron Kulik set the tempo with catchy rock and pop songs such as Creedence Clearwater Revival's "Rollin' on the River" and Gloria Estefan's "Turn the Beat Around." A particularly sexy and seductive rendition of the '80s favorite "Tainted Love" is a crowd favorite. The song's true meaning seems to be born through the tormented, lusty interaction between Hannaford and Windsor as they fight one another, almost in spite of themselves.

As if the toe-tapping, memorable songs and powerful, exciting dances weren't enough to keep the audience engaged, the cast went to special lengths to make sure everyone got their money's worth with frequent detours into the aisles to snatch men—some less shy than others—away from their wives and girlfriends for a quick turn, dip, spin, or even a kiss.

The 20-member dance troupe, with dancers from the hit television shows *Dancing With the Stars* and *So You Think You Can Dance*, form Burn The Floor's "FloorPlay," a hip, young 21st-century edge that is an instant crowd pleaser.

"I loved the colorful costumes and the singers," says audience member Danny Bricino, 24, of Fernley, after the show's opening-night performance on April 1. "It was super hot. Very sexy."

SHOW NOTES

"FloorPlay" plays nightly except Mondays at Eldorado in Reno through August 10. Tickets are $40.35, $45.35, and $51.35, which includes tax and fees. 800-879-8879, 775-786-5700, eldoradoreno.com

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866-510-2437
cher.aeglive.com
Elton John: The Red Piano, June 3-4, 6-7, 10-11, 13-14, 16-18, 20-22
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caesarspalace.com
Bette Midler: The Showgirl Must Go On, June 24-25, 27-29, July 1-2, 4-6, 8-9, 11-13, 15-16, 18-20
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HEADLINERS

Psychic John Edward, May 25, July 12

ONGOING

Second City, improv comedy
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SPECIAL EVENTS

2008 Epicurean Affair, May 1
702-733-3333
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FOUR QUEENS

HEADLINERS

The Proclaimers, May 17
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ONGOING

"Marriage Can Be Murder," comedy dinner show
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canyonclub.net

GOLDEN NUGGET

ONGOING

"Defending the Caveman," one-man Broadway show

SPECIAL EVENTS

Montel Williams MS Foundation Poker Tournament, June 6
The Grand Poker Series, June 6-July 6
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HEADLINERS

Duran Duran, May 9-10
Ani Difiano, June 24
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ONGOING

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HEADLINERS

Juanes: La Vida World Tour,
May 2
Rush, May 10
Tim McGraw, June 21

HOUSE OF BLUES

The Breeders, May 2
Original Members of Asia,
May 3
Soulja Boy, May 4
Daniel Tosh, May 10
Dave Mathews Tribute
Band, May 14
Tracy Lawrence, May 15
Nightwish w/Sonic Syndicate,
May 24
Mindless Self Indulgence,
May 25
Gary Allan, May 29
Hatebreed, Type O Negative
w/3 Inches of Blood, May 31

ONGOING

"Dirty: Rock Hard," adult
comedy-hypnosis

SPECIAL EVENTS

Mosley vs. Judah, May 31

ONGOING

"Mamma Mia!" Broadway
musical, thru Jan. 4
702-632-7580
mandalaybay.com

MGM GRAND

HEADLINERS

David Copperfield, thru May 7
Billy Crystal, May 3
Tom Jones, May 8-21
Alicia Keys, May 9
David Copperfield,
May 22-June 11
The Police, May 23
Robin Williams, May 25
Kenny Chesney, June 6
Rodney Carrington, June 12-18
David Copperfield,
June 19-July 16
George Michael, June 21

SPECIAL EVENTS

Academy of Country
Music Awards, May 18
UFC 84: B.J. Penn vs.
Sean Sherk, May 24

ONGOING

"KÀ," Cirque du Soleil
production, dark Sun.-Mon.
cirquedusoleil.com
"Crazy Horse Paris," adult
revue, dark May 11, June 10-24
702-632-7580
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THE MIRAGE

HEADLINERS

Brad Garrett, May 9-10
Jay Leno, May 16-17
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James, June 6-7, 20-21

ONGOING

"Love," Cirque du Soleil
production, dark Tues.-
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Dennis Miller, May 16-18
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THE PALAZZO RESORT
ONGOING
"Jersey Boys," Broadway musical
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THE PALMS
HEADLINERS
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Magician Steve Wyrick
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HEADLINERS
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SANTA FE STATION
HEADLINERS
Guitars & Saxes, May 16
Atomic Punks, May 17
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The Rippingtons, June 7
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Marion Meadows, June 21
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SOUTH POINT
HEADLINERS
Bill Medley & Paul Revere & The Raiders, May 1-4
The Australian Bee Gees, May 9-10
Charo, May 16-17
David Sanborn, May 23-26

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HEADLINERS
"My Mother's Italian, My Father's Jewish, & I'm in Therapy," May 2-4
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Tower of Power, May 9-11
Ricci Martin, Remembering Dino, May 16-18
Hotel California, May 23-25
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Mark Chesnut & Luke Bryan, May 31
Comedian AugieT, June 6
Paul Rodgers, June 7
Blues, Brews, & BBQ, June 14
The Spinners, June 21
Herman's Hermits w/ Peter Noone, June 28
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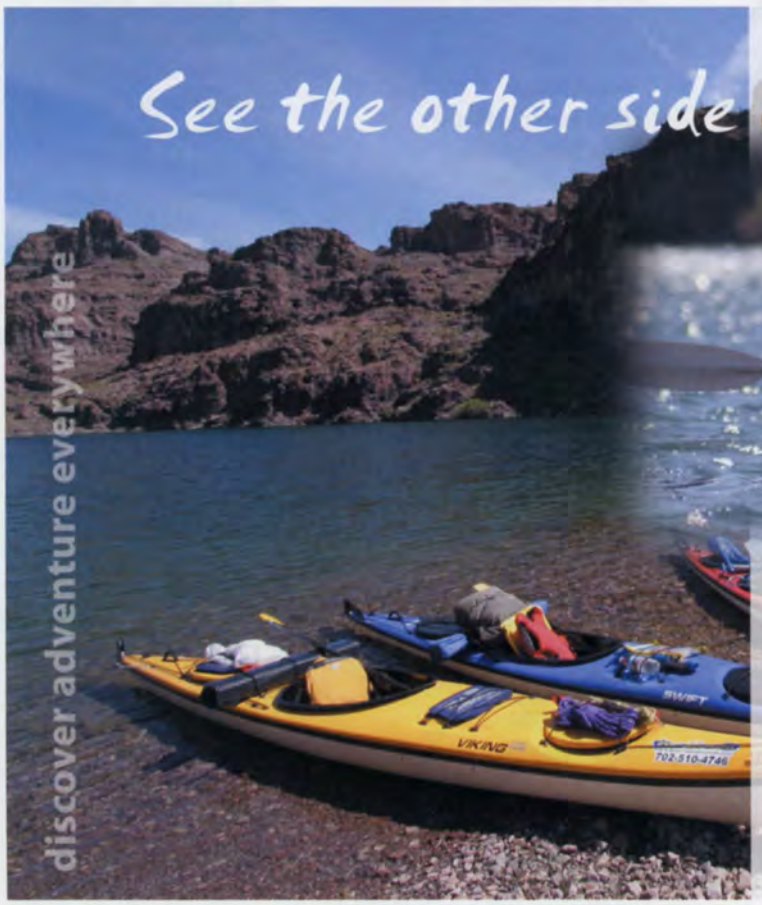




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Minden
HEADLINERS
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ONGOING
Greg London's ICONS, thru July 14, impersonators
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Sparks
HEADLINERS
deSol, May 3
John Fogerty, May 9
Alan Parsons Live Project, June 6-7
Cristian Castro, June 14
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SANDS REGENCY
HEADLINERS
Fast Forward, May 2-3
Deep Ellum, May 9-10
Crimson Collar, May 16-17
Latin Affect, May 24-25
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Melissa Dru, June 27-28
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HEADLINERS
Miranda Lambert, May 2
Robert Cray, May 9
Kathy Griffin, May 10
Wayne Brady, May 17
Bonnie Raitt, May 23
Al Green, May 24
Earth, Wind, & Fire, June 13-14
D.L. Hughley, June 27
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ONGOING
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Derringer, May 10
Foreigner, May 24-25
Super Diamond, May 31
Tony Orlando, June 14
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Stateline
HEADLINERS
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Wendover
HEADLINERS
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Tracy Lawrence, May 16
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attack of the killer zucchinis

Or, how I learned to love farmers' markets

BY ANN HENDERSON

ASK ANY BACKYARD GARDENER WHAT HAPPENS when you sprinkle a few zucchini seeds in your veggie patch. In my experience the green squash not only multiplied like amorous chinchillas but also grew to pumpkin-like proportions. There are only so many recipes, and neighbors, friends, relatives, and co-workers began to avoid my attempts to share the burgeoning harvest.

I quickly lost interest in backyard cultivation when I discovered farmers' markets with fresh-from-the-garden fruits and vegetables from local and regional growers. Generally, the Nevada season runs from May through September, except for the year-round operations in Henderson, Las Vegas, and North Las Vegas.

Stroll through a typical farmers' market during May and June and you'll notice salad greens, broccoli, herbs, peas, beets, and radishes. From July to October there are cucumbers, green onions, sweet corn, apples, summer squash, green beans, eggplant, tomatoes, turnips, and melons. Fall crops include winter squash, pumpkins, herbs, and lots of potatoes. That's just a taste of the items available for sidewalk picking.

The markets have a festive air, evidenced by the entertainment and music at Sparks Hometowne Farmers' Market. Most have arts and crafts vendors who display woodwork, jewelry, and handmade candles and soaps. Smells of barbecue, kettle corn, and hot dogs sharpen hunger pangs already whetted by displays of lush strawberries and tomatoes.

While the Silver State is stereotyped as an inhospitable desert, agriculture is one of the most important industries, according to the Nevada Department of Agriculture. In fact, the state's ranches rank third in the

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nation in size, averaging 3,500 acres. Livestock, grains, and dairy account for the majority of the production, but farms produce abundant crops ranging from pistachio nuts and garlic to prize-winning melons. Some of the state's crops have led to celebrations, including Fallon's Hearts O' Gold Cantaloupe and Logandale's Pomegranate festivals.

Today, shopping the markets and local farms have become lifestyle choices. Proponents claim seasonal produce is more nutritious, fresher, and tastes better than an import picked months ago.

Even zucchini is back on my menu. I just have to try a new casserole recipe.

Tents provide shade at the Minden Farmers' Market (top left). Bottom left and right: Mike and Mary Farris, who own Glory Garden, regularly sell their produce at farmers' markets in Tonopah. Erica Smith's family, which operates Home Grown Nevada, showcases a selection of peppers at the Lampe Park Farmers' Market in Gardnerville.

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may/june

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May 3
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May 3
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Spring Jamboree
Boulder City
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Kiss Kiss, Bang Bang: Las Vegas Noir, Sin City Stories
May 15
Discussion
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Guitarist Jesse Cook
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Henderson
May 16
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May 16-17
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May 16-18
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Virgin Thunder
Mesquite
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Nevada Archaeology Month
Overton
May 18
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Best Dam BBQ
Boulder City
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May 24
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Stars on the Lake: Three Dog Night Concert
Henderson
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Mesquite Amateur Golf Championship
Mesquite
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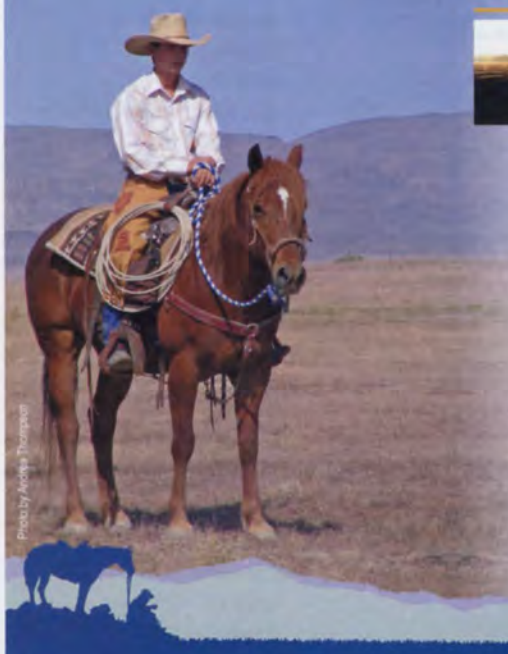


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may/june

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TOP TO BOTTOM

Cinco de Mayo festivities, statewide

Chihuahua Races, May 3-4, Sparks

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ONGOING

V&T Railroad Steam Train Rides
Virginia City
Daily, May-Oct.
35-minute excursion
775-847-0380
virginiatruckee.com

Carson Valley Art Association
Second Saturday
Carson Valley art tours
775-782-5606
visitcarsonvalley.org

MAY

Roy Rogers & The Delta Rhythm Kings
Minden
May 1
Concert
visitcarsonvalley.org

Reno Film Festival
May 1-4
775-334-6707
renofilmfestival.com

"Defending the Caveman"
Carson City
May 2-3
One-man comedy show
775-883-1976
breweryarts.org

Comstock Chili Cook-Off
Virginia City
May 3
775-847-0311
visitvirginiacitynv.com

Nevada Bluegrass Concert & Musician's Workshop
May 3
Instruction by Kenny Kosek & Mark Cosgrove
775-348-4692
nevadabluegrassproject.org

Celebration of Heroes Parade
Virginia City
May 3
800-718-7587
visitvirginiacitynv.com

Chihuahua Races
Sparks
May 3-4
Pyramid & McCarran
Bully's location
Northern Nevada SPCA fundraiser
775-825-4333
bullyssportsbar.com

Cinco de Mayo Celebration
Sparks
May 3-4
775-826-1818
nhsreno.org

Weekend Motor Car Rides
Carson City
May 3-4, 17-18, 31-June 1, 7-8, 21-22, 28-29
1926 diesel-powered rail car
775-687-6953
nevadaculture.org

Reno Film Festival at the National Automobile Museum
May 4
The Love Bug & *The Great Race*
Actor Dean Jones to appear
775-333-9300
automuseum.org

Rock-n-River Half Marathon
May 4
rock-n-riverhalfmarathon.com

RSVP Spring Fun Fair
Carson City
May 8-11
Carnival rides & games
775-687-4680
visitcarsoncity.com

Reno River Festival
May 9-11
Whitewater competition, mountain bike speed trials, music, relay race
775-788-2131
renoriverfestival.com

Big Mamma's Show & Shine
Gardnerville
May 10
775-783-6455
Email: sgeraldo@co.douglas.nv.us

Multi-Cultural Festival
Carson City
May 10
Entertainment, ethnic foods, desserts
775-445-4453
visitcarsoncity.com

Steam Train Rides
Carson City
May 10-11, 24-25, June 14-15
1882 steam locomotive
775-687-6953
nevadaculture.org

Arts in Bloom
Sparks
May 11
Art, food, entertainment
775-353-2291
Email: eventsinfo@cityofsparks.us

Comstock Historic Preservation Weekend
Virginia City
May 16-18
Exhibits, children's chorus, walking tours, silver tea
775-847-0975
fourthwardschool.org

Bob Malone & Suzanne Buirgy Concert
Carson City
May 17
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Adventure fans at Raft the Carson River, June 7, Minden

Rockathon
Gardnerville
May 17
Car show, music, swap meet
775-265-3654
Email: lombardj@gte.net

Orrin Star Bluegrass Workshop & Concert
May 17-18
Guitar & mandolin workshops
775-348-4692
nevadabluegrassproject.org

Memorial Day Parade
Virginia City
May 23-25
775-772-9974
visitvirginiacitynv.com

Opening Day at the Lake
Lake Tahoe
May 23-26
Festival along the West Shore
tahoewestshoreassoc.com

Carson Valley Barn Tour
Carson Valley
May 24
775-782-2555
historicnevada.org

Wild West Tour
Carson City
May 24
Guided walking "ghost" tour
775-687-7410
visitcarsoncity.com

Valhalla Renaissance Faire
Lake Tahoe
May 31-June 1, 7-8
Medieval festival
415-354-1773
valhallafaire.com

JUNE

America's Most Beautiful Bike Ride
Lake Tahoe
June 1
Boat cruise, 35-mile fun ride, 72-mile ride around the lake, 100-mile century ride
800-565-2704
bikethewest.com

Reno-Tahoe Odyssey Relay Run Adventure
June 6-7
renotahoeodyssey.com

Street Vibrations Spring Rally
Reno/Virginia City/Carson City/Lake Tahoe
June 6-8
Motorcycle festival
800-200-4557
road-shows.com

Raft the Carson River
Minden
June 7
20-mile journey
775-782-9711
cvinn.com

Carson Valley Days
Carson Valley
June 12-15
Parade, carnival, hot-air balloons, music, tractor pulls, water fights
775-220-9713
carsonvalley2030.org

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Sparks
Thursdays, June 12-Aug. 21 (except Aug. 7)
775-353-2291
sparksrec.com

Carson City Rendezvous
Carson City
June 13-15
Living-history weekend
775-687-7410
visitcarsoncity.com

DeCelle Memorial Lake Tahoe Relay
Lake Tahoe
June 14
Seven-person race
530-877-9731
laketahoerelay.com

Chautauqua in the Park
Genoa
June 18-19
775-265-6097
historicnevada.org

Tour de Nez
Reno/Lake Tahoe
June 18-21
Pro bicycling event
800-GO-NORTH
northstarattahoe.com

Dodge Xtreme Bulls
June 19
PRCA rodeo
renorodeo.com

Heart & Solstice Festival
Tahoe City
June 19-22
Wine walk, classic car stroll
visittahoecity.com

MAGIKO!
Carson Valley
June 19-July 5
Air show, arts festival, music, athletic events
800-727-7677
magikonv.com

Reno Rodeo
June 20-28
Nine performances of "The Wildest, Richest, Rodeo in the West"
775-329-3877
renorodeo.com

Wrangler World's Greatest Roper
June 21-22
800-595-RIDE
lazye.com

Tour of the Carson Valley
Genoa
June 22
Historic bicycle tour, barbecue, ice cream social
800-565-2704
bikethewest.com

Nevada Humanities Chautauqua
June 22-26
Theme: Lincoln & the Civil War
775-784-6587
nevadahumanities.org

XTERRA
Tahoe City
June 28
Off-road triathlon
bigblueadventure.com

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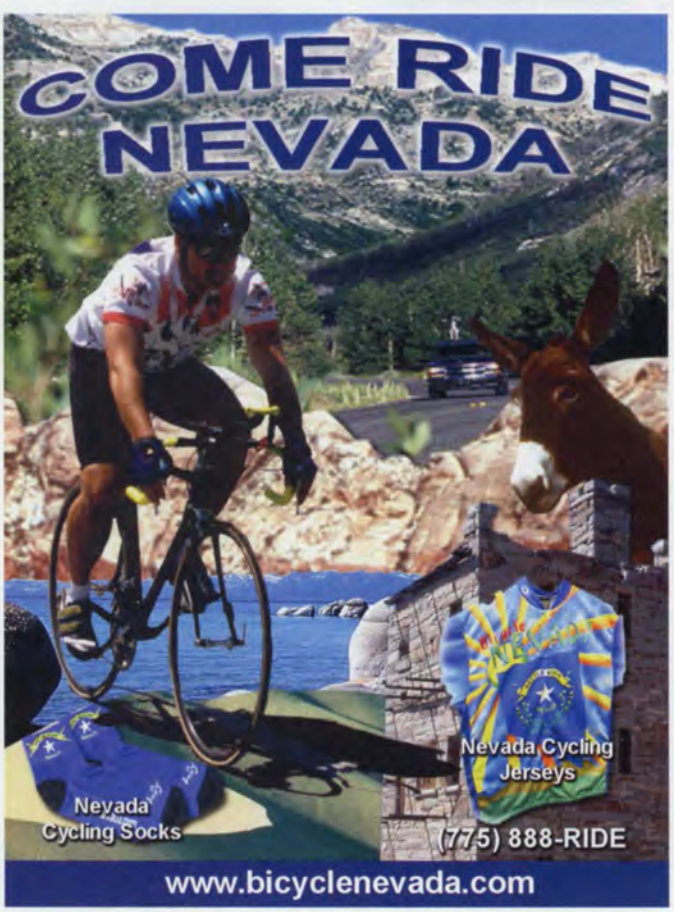


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Pahrump Farmers' Market
Pahrump
Saturdays, June-Oct.
775-727-5532

Fernley Farmers' Market
Fernley
Wednesdays, June 11-Aug. 27
775-287-2811

Fallon Farmers' Market
Fallon
Tuesdays, June 12-Sept. 11
775-423-4802
fallontourism.com

Tonopah Farmers' Market
Tonopah
Mondays, July 7-Oct. 6
775-482-3118
Email: tonopahfarmersmarket@yahoo.com

MAY

The Celtic Tenors
Elko
May 1
Community concert series
775-738-5475
elkocva.com

Mexican Rodeo & Dance
Winnemucca
May 3-4
775-623-5071
winnemucca.nv.us

X Ride
Rachel/E.T. Highway/Area 51
May 3-4
Fully supported bicycle tour includes a 40-mile night ride to Area 51 mailbox
800-565-2704
bikethewest.com

Annual Reno Historic Races
Fernley
May 3-4
Road course
Cars will be displayed April 30 in Reno
775-575-7217
reno-fernleyraceway.com

Cinco de Mayo
Pahrump
May 4
United Way fundraiser
775-727-5800
pahrumpchamber.com

Nevada Passage Team adventure competition
May 5-9
nevadapassage.com
landroverG4challenge.com

Spring Wings Bird Festival
Fallon
May 9-11
Spring migration seminars, birding tours
775-428-6452
fallontourism.com

Dirt Track Racing at Rattlesnake Raceway
Fallon
May 10
775-423-7483
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Mother's Day Fly-In & Car Show
Eureka
May 10
775-237-6100
Email: econdev@eurekanv.org

Armed Forces Day
Hawthorne
May 11, 15-18
BBQ, parade, arm wrestling, dance, fireworks, military displays, games
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Donnie Waters Invitational Roping Classic
Fallon
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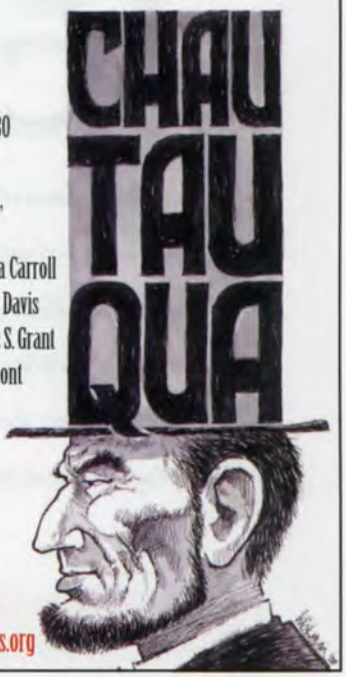
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June 23—Frederick Douglass and Anna Ella Carroll
June 24—Mary Todd Lincoln and Jefferson Davis
June 25—Senator William Stewart & Ulysses S. Grant
June 26—John Hay and Jesse Benton Fremont



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Mother's Day Fly-in & Car Show, May 10, Eureka (above), & Lyon County Fly-In, May 17-18, Silver Springs

The Bad Plus
Fallon
May 17
Jazz concert
775-423-1440
fallontourism.com

Chili Cook-Off
Pahrump
May 17
775-727-5800
pahrumpchamber.com

Hurricam's Car Club Show & Shine
Fallon
May 17
775-423-6212
fallontourism.com

Nevada Open Road Challenge
Ely/Lund/Hiko
May 17-18
Car show, speed trials, 90-mile open road race
800-496-9350
elynevada.net

Lyon County Fly-In
Silver Springs
May 17-18
Antique planes, flight demos, static & rocket displays, fly-bys
775-887-1294
lyoncountyflyin.com

Peppermill Senior Rodeo
Wendover
May 19-22
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wendoverfun.com

Lincoln County Homecoming
Caliente
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shurlburt@cityofcaliente.com

Brad Richter Trio
Eureka
May 23
775-237-6006
co.eureka.nv.us

Run-A-Mucca Motorcycle Rally
Winnemucca
May 23-25
Bike show, concerts, poker runs
775-623-5071
winnemucca.com

Jim Butler Days
Tonopah
May 23-25
Parade, art show, mining competitions, street dance
775-482-3859
tonopahchamberofcommerce.com

Wells Senior Pro Rodeo
Wells
May 23-26
775-752-3540
elkocva.com

VORRA Yerington 300
Yerington
May 23-26
Off-road race
775-224-1327
vorra.net

Rattlesnake Raceways' Mud Bogs
Fallon
May 24-25
775-423-7483
fallontourism.com

Summit ET Bracket Drag Races
Fallon
May 24-25
775-423-4024
topgunraceway.com

Jarbidge Memorial Weekend Celebration
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BBQ, music, bingo
775-488-2311
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Memorial Day Ceremony
Fernley
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fernleychamber.org

Mule Races, Show, & Draft Horse Challenge
Winnemucca
May 30-June 1
775-623-5071
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Fallon Centennial Ghost Walk
Fallon
May 31
Tour of historic Maine St.
775-423-3677
ccmuseum.org

Centennial Celebration Street Dance
Fallon
May 31
775-423-4556
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California Trails Heritage Festival
Elko
May 31-June 1
775-738-4091
elkocva.com

Portuguese Festa
Yerington
May 31-June 1
Dance, sopa feast, auction
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JUNE

Paddleboat Races
Pahrump
June 7
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pahrumpchamber.com

Basque Festival
Winnemucca
June 7
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TOP TO BOTTOM

The Bad Plus, May 17, Fallon

Pro cyclists at Tour de Nez, June 18-21, Reno/Lake Tahoe

events





TOP TO BOTTOM

Great Humboldt Duck Race, June 28, Elko

Jim Butler Days mining competition, May 23-25, Tonopah

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National Trails Day Hike
Beaver Dam/Caliente
June 7
Six-mile hike
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Octane Fest
Fallon
June 10-15
Motor sports events, concerts, demos
775-423-4556
fallontourism.com

Sourdough Slim
Eureka
June 13
Yodeling cowboy, comic, singer
775-237-6006
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Gridley Days
Austin
June 13-14
Historical celebration
775-964-2200
austinnevada.com

Concert at Scotty's Castle
Death Valley National Monument
June 13-15
760-786-2146, ext. 10
nps.gov/deva

NHRA Lucas Oil Divisional
Fallon
June 13-15
Drag racing
775-423-4024
topgunraceway.com

Nevada State Fiddler's Contest
Wells
June 14
775-752-3540
elkocva.com

SCCA National Race
Fernley
June 14-15
775-575-7217
reno-fernleyraceway.com

Bonneville 100 Race
Wendover
June 19-21
702-614-6108
openroadracing.com

Elko Motorcycle Jamboree
Elko
June 20-22
775-777-9839
elkonevada.com

ATV Jamboree
Elko
June 24-28
775-753-3997
elkocva.com

Don Edwards
Eureka
June 27-28
Western singer
775-237-6006
co.eureka.nv.us

Great Humboldt Duck Race
Elko
June 28
Rubber duck race
775-738-3418
elkocva.com

Country Fair
Lamoille
June 29
Crafts, refreshments, train ride for kids
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Silver State International Rodeo
Fallon
June 30-July 5
Youth rodeo
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Tournament Charro ~ Mexican Rodeo
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Run-A-Mucca Motorcycle Rally
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May 30 June 1, 2008

Winnemucca Basque Festival
June 7, 2008

Nevada State High School Rodeo Finals
June 18-22, 2008

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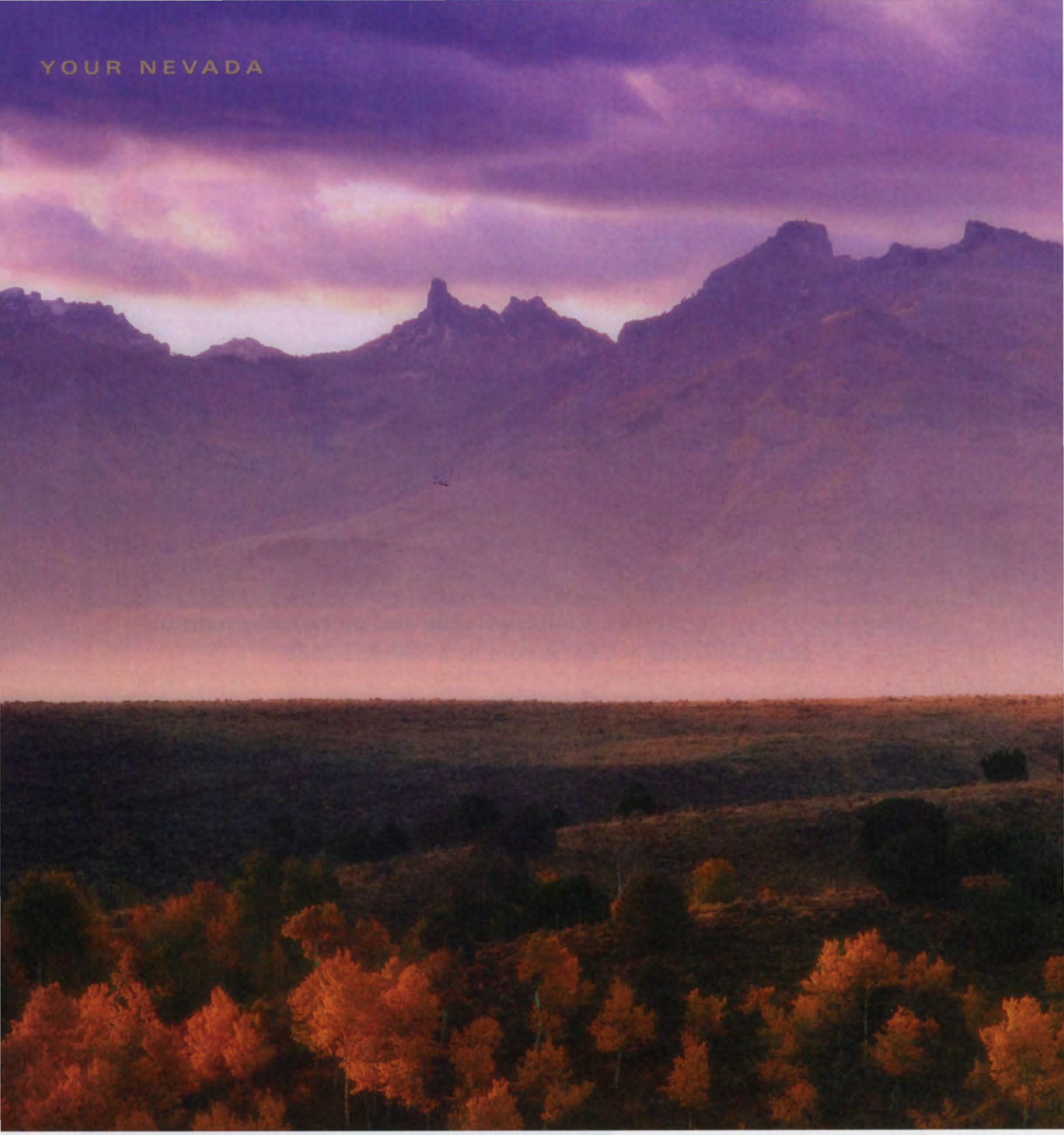
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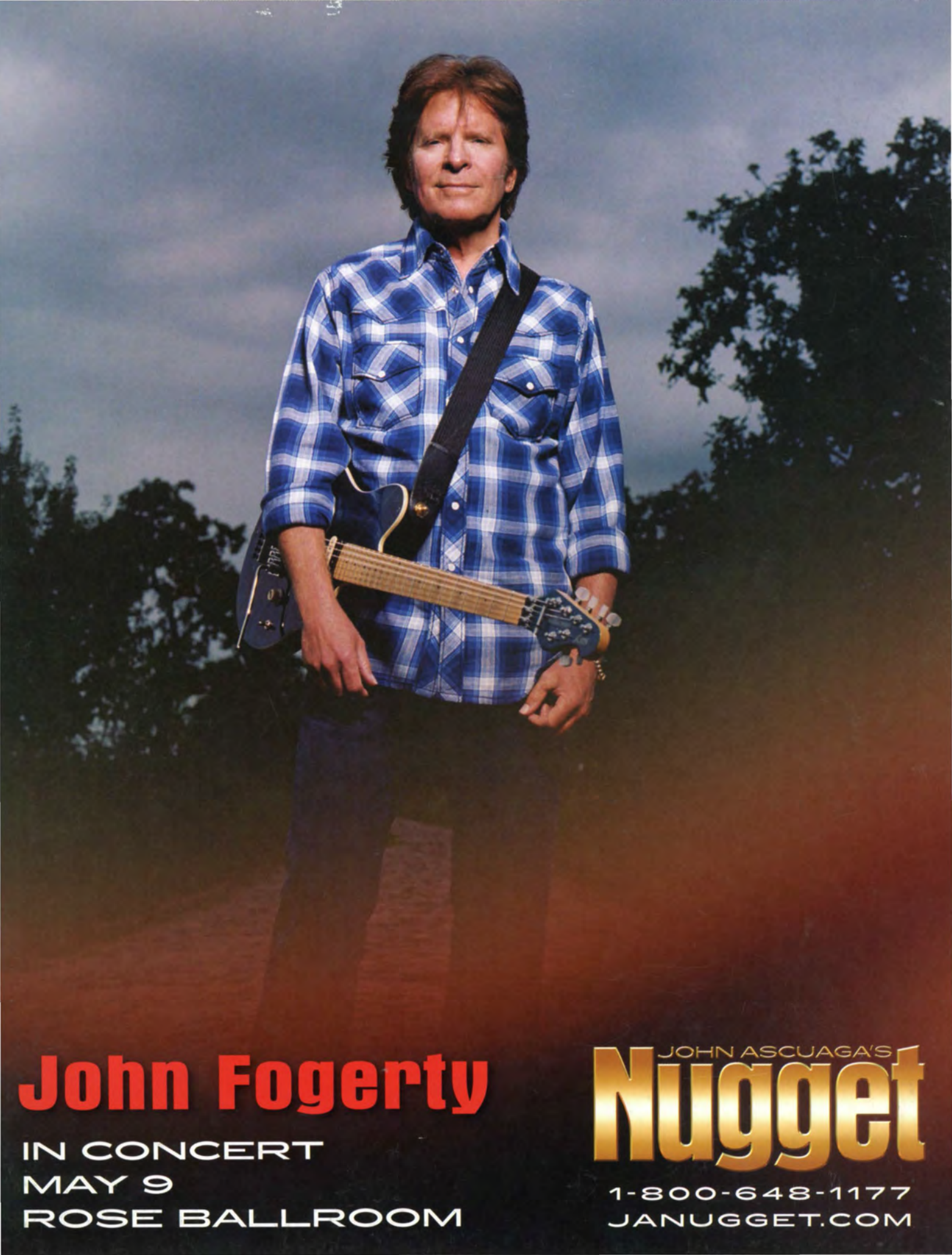
THIS IMAGE OF THE RUBY MOUNTAINS was taken at dawn in Spring Creek in October 2006. "The aspens' color and the first rays of the sun on the mist created a beautiful color palette," says photographer Jodi Esplin. The Spring Creek resident's photo was a 2007 Great Nevada Picture Hunt finalist.

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