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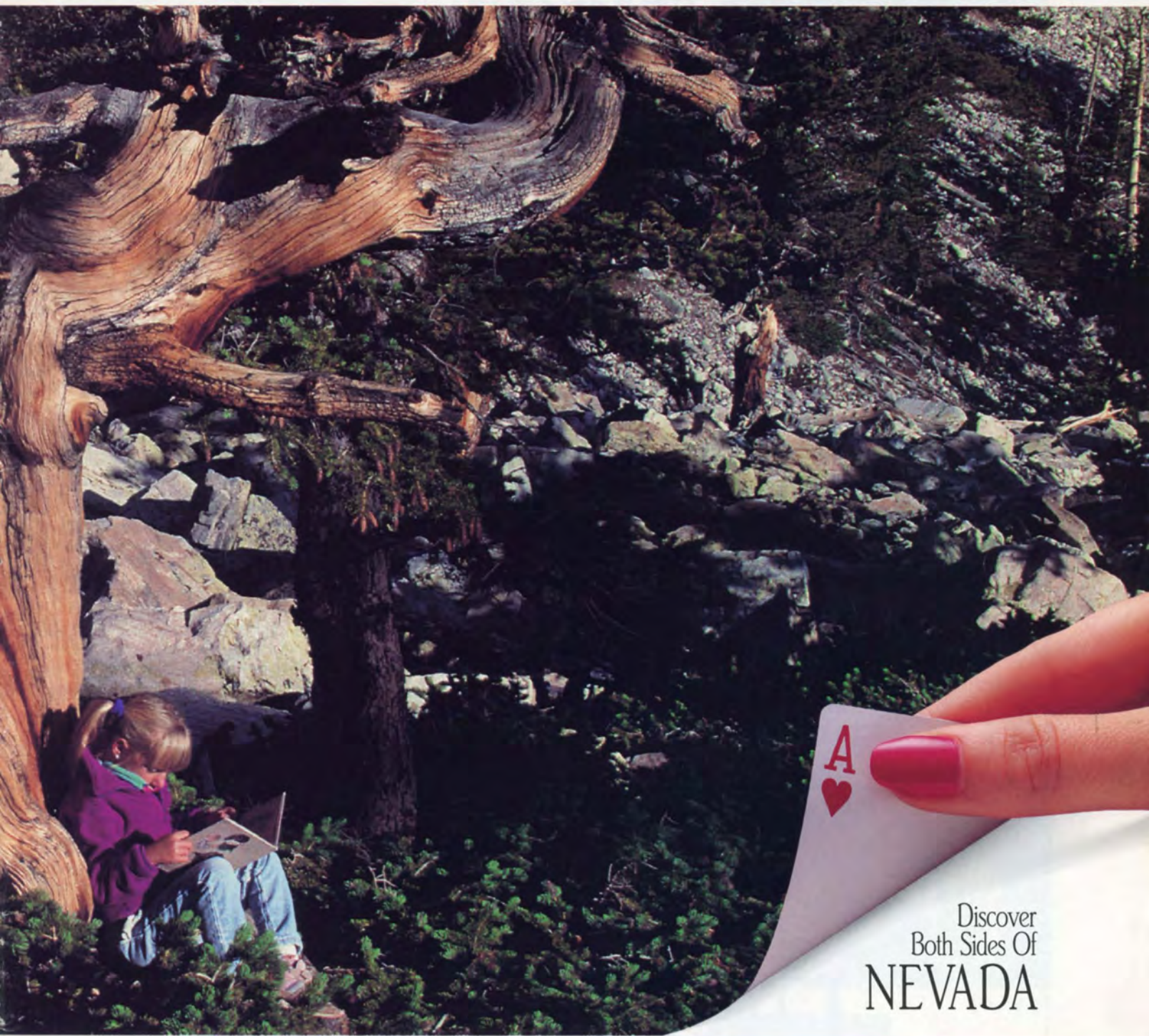
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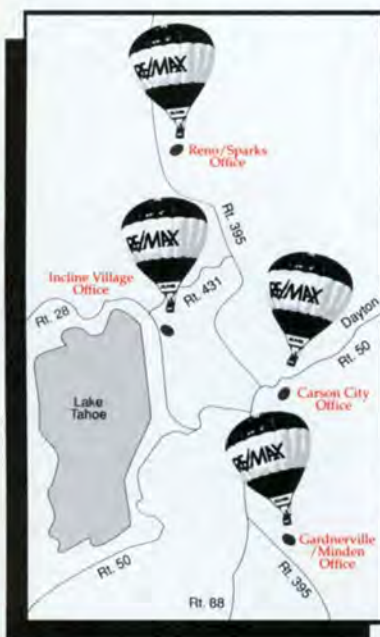
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Lee Hobold at the Nevada State Railroad Museum in Carson City. Photo by Nevada State Museum photographer Scott Klette

Bugs, Parks, and Wovoka

Wovoka Fan

I would like to compliment Don Lynch for his enlightening and thought-provoking article on Wovoka, "The Paiute Messiah," in the May/June issue. It was an outstanding piece that highlighted the historical importance of one of Nevada's Native American citizens.



Wovoka.

Jana Pendragon
Long Beach, CA

Good Reading in Redding

I was very pleased with the May/June issue. The articles I found particularly interesting were "The Paiute Messiah" by Don Lynch, "Dudes for a Day" by

Terri Sprenger-Farley, and last but not least, "California Namin'" by Dennis McBride. In the meantime I look forward to seeing more stories on Virginia City, Ponderosa Ranch, and Laughlin.

Margaret Vail
Redding, CA

River Bugs

We returned from a two-week visit, much of which was spent in Laughlin, one of our favorite Nevada destinations. Yes, we do enjoy the buffets and have tried nearly every one of those noted in "Laughlin's Big Buffets" by Connie Emerson in March/April.

Regrettably, the river walk had a major nighttime nuisance this spring—flying insects. The high-intensity lights attracted them after dark, meaning that an after-buffet stroll in the evening was quite out of the question. Perhaps you could do a

follow-up article on this problem.

Barbara J. Lewis

Paradise, Newfoundland
Lewis, according to the Laughlin Chamber of Commerce, the pesky gnats are a fixture of life on the Colorado River, and attempts to exterminate them just send the masses to the other side. In spring the chamber suggests enjoying the river walk in the cool of the early evening before the lights come on.—Ed.

Park-ing Violation?

While visiting Reno recently, I read the March/April '92 issue and the article by Katherine Rohde titled "Nevada's National Parks." It referred to Great Basin National Park, Lake Mead National Recreational Area, and Death Valley National Monument.

To my understanding, however, the only national park in Nevada is Great Basin. Even though national monuments

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and recreation areas are administrated by the National Park Service, all of these areas are not national parks.

Dorothy M. Dautrich
Roseville, CA

Author Rohde explains that national parks, monuments, and recreation areas are all the same in the National Park Service's eyes. They also have the same mission: To preserve and protect the natural scenery, culture, and resources of an area for this and future generations.—Ed.

An On-Slot of Questions

Before taking a trip to Las Vegas, I recently read Michael Greenan's article "How to Play the Games" in the Jan/Feb '91 issue. The article did help me, especially on slots, so much so that I would like to know more about how a slot machine works. What makes the wheels stop when they do? Could you give me the name of a book or an expert?

David Woods
Kingsburg, CA

Woods, most slot machines today are computerized and governed by a random number generator. A good book on slots is Marshall Fey's Slot Machines: A Pictorial History of the First 100 Years (Liberty Belle Books, Reno, 1989).—Ed.

Ward Mountain View

The caption for the picture of the Open Road Challenge auto race in the March/April Nevada Events is quite misleading. The challengers are not in Ely but actually on a hill just south of Lund where the race is started. Anyone knowing the area can see Ward Mountain in the background.

Kay and Jo Reid
Lund, NV

Reids, thanks for the correction.—Ed.

Chip Off the Wrong Block

My hobby is collecting casino chips, and I have a large collection. As part of this, I have also traced the history of many of the Nevada casinos.

While rereading some of my back issues, I was puzzled by an item in the Casino Notes section for Las Vegas in the Jan/Feb '89 issue. It indicated that the Sahara Hotel was previously the Club Bingo. I have several chips from the Club Bingo, but my records indicate that the Club Bingo was at 25 East Fremont Street, the site of the original Las Vegas Club and later the Pioneer.

I hope you can solve the mystery.

Eric S. Rosenblum
Levittown, NY

Do any casino historians out there have the answer? —Ed. □

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PUBLISHER'S NOTE

Adiós

Thanks for a great six years.

The six years that I have served as publisher of *Nevada Magazine* have given me a constant education about Nevada and the publishing business. Those lessons have ranged from how to book a room early for the Winnebucca Art Round-Up on Labor Day Rodeo weekend to how to find the biggest casino buffets in Las Vegas, Reno, and other towns around the state.

I've learned that Nevadans, and *Nevada* readers, appreciate prompt action. For instance, in July 1987 the members of the magazine's advisory committee suggested that we publish a special section on Nevada events, shows, museums, and other attractions. Exactly three months later Governor Richard Bryan introduced our first issue of *Nevada Events*. I doubt if there has ever been a swifter creation of a magazine.

Recently I've also learned how hard it

is to leave Nevada once you've been here awhile. My family and I have decided to return to California, where I will pursue another publishing venture, a travel magazine on México. It was the toughest career decision I have ever made. But I know the magazine's future is secure because of the support of the magazine's staff, the Commission on Tourism, the advisory committee, the magazine's advertisers, and you.

During the past six years I have deeply appreciated the tremendous support that all of you—the readers—have given *Nevada Magazine*. Your letters, story ideas, complaints, and compliments have helped drive the magazine to improve itself. Every time you renew a subscription or pick up a *Nevada* at the newsstand, the magazine is better for it.

Also, I am grateful to the Commission on Tourism and the many talented people who have served on the Nevada Magazine Advisory Committee for all their constructive support.

I want to thank the staff members of *Nevada Magazine* for doing terrific work while putting up with all my suggestions and lousy jokes. They do the hard work that gets the oohs and aahs around Nevada and across the country. It is relatively easy to say, "Let's do this publi-

cation." It is a lot harder to actually carry it out.

Nevada Magazine is now 56 years old and reaching more people than ever. Eighty-six percent of its present 117,000 circulation is outside the Silver State. It is the heart and soul of all the publications that we do. *Nevada Events* has been profitable since its second issue and now has a circulation of over 200,000.

In March we started *Nevada Travel Update*, which is aimed at travel agents, wholesalers, tour operators, meeting planners, incentive planners, and travel writers in the U.S. and Canada. Its circulation is over 32,000. When we found that over half of all the rounds of golf played in Nevada are by tourists, we started *Nevada Golf* in 1990 as an annual. Its circulation is over 175,000.

My wife Magdalena and I will miss the many friends that we have made here in Nevada. Again, I am grateful to all the people who have made the job such a good experience. And most of all I will miss *Nevada's* first-class readers.

Sincerely,

Kirk Whisler, Publisher

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The Outdoor Inn is a refuge for piano players, dancing tourists, and the summer sporting crowd in the Jarbidge Wilderness.

Jarbidge Fourth of July

This Elko County town has lots of character—and characters.

By Gayle Kretschmer

Driving down the steep, narrow grade leading into Jarbidge from the Elko side was like being on a roller-coaster, only at a snail's pace. After several miles of crawling up, slithering down, and clinging to the edge of our seats, we parked our four-wheel-drive truck at Bear Creek Summit and got out to look down on velvet green canyons. It was the Fourth of July, and the hills were covered with forests of tall fir and pine, stands of knobby-kneed quakes, and riots of wildflowers and berry bushes.

At Danger Point between Coon and Bear Creek summits, we drove through a snowdrift cut 10 feet high—an incredible sight in the middle of summer. As the road approached town, we came to a sign that read, "10 MPH." My husband chuckled, "We haven't been up to 10 miles per hour for the last 20 miles."

Jarbidge's rustic main street was lined with automobiles and people out for



Orrin Grant left ballet for Jarbidge. His wife Helen Wilson arrived in 1910.

the Fourth of July festivities. Many of them were headed for the Outdoor Inn, where I discovered what really gives Jarbidge its charm—the locals.

Near the entrance of the old saloon, twin outdoor toilet seats were fashioned into a bench. Inside, a bear's head

adorned one wall, and old coffee pots, lanterns, and antlers dangled from another. Signatures of customers decorated every inch of wall space. Two gold-painted maiden figureheads from the prow of an old ship stood at each end of the bar.

As our eyes adjusted to the dim lighting, a two-man band began to warm up, and the floor was soon jumping with dancers aged seven to 78. Some of the younger ones were pretty good cloggers, too.

At the first intermission, a big, burly fellow wearing a black hat brushed by me and tipped his hat in my direction. Then he sat down at an old piano and started plinking out tunes from classical to jazz. His name, we learned, was Piano Bob.

Soon a white-haired gentleman sporting a beard breezed through with a perky seventy-something, no-bigger-than-a-minute white-haired lady on his

arm. I noticed that he shied away from the dancing, but she whirled across the floor like a girl in her teens. A woman sitting next to me explained, "That's Helen and Orrin. They're married." Orrin, she continued, used to dance in the San Francisco Ballet, and Helen Goodwin Wilson was part of Jarbidge history, dating back to 1910, when she was brought over the mountain at six weeks old. The town boasted 600 residents then, nearly all men.

Helen is the author of a book about Jarbidge's pioneer days called *Gold Fever*. Helen later told me that she and Orrin were married after she became a widow and he wandered into Jarbidge, tired of ballet and the big city.

"Jarbidge is a far cry from the old days," she said proudly, her eyes full of sparkle. "But it's one of the last western outposts a lot of people have yet to discover."

The next person to catch my eye was a woman with short-cropped hair and a pearly-white smile who flew flamboyantly around the room. Turned out the woman was Krinn McCoy, co-owner of the Tsawhawbitts Ranch Bed and Breakfast, where we were going to stay.

Krinn and her husband Chuck hailed from a small town in Idaho, crossing the state line not so many years ago to join the Jarbidge community. They bought the bed and breakfast from Roscoe Fawcett, founder of Fawcett Publishing. It didn't take either of them long to settle in and become a Jarbidge local.

Another local is Justice of the Peace John Williams, who has lived in Jarbidge his whole life, minus a short period during World War II. John has a colorful history. On one occasion, when he was sitting at the bar in one of the town's two saloons, he asked the lady next to him if he could keep an eye on her drink while she danced. She smiled appreciatively, and when she returned, she found the judge's glass eye, as he had promised, in her drink.

John said he once bet a man that he could bite his own left eye and his right eye. The man accepted the bet. "Well, I took out my left eye and bit it, and then I took out my false teeth and bit my other eye," John recalled.

As the town's JP for the past 20 years, he said he's mostly seen fish and game violations in his courtroom. He marries three or four couples a week, but weddings don't tie him up too much, he said. "It doesn't take long to get some damn fool to say, 'I do.'"

In winter the town's population dwindle

to 22 or so, and with the exception of an occasional die-hard hiker or a Jarbidge Wilderness pack trip, there's not much communication with the outside world. In the shoulder-high snowdrifts that are more common than not, even a short walk to the Trading Post—"The Best Little Store House in Jarbidge"—is a real challenge.

"I keep my best shoes on all winter," Krinn said. "In case I happen to hear a car, I can run out and catch it, and see if anyone will talk to me."

The name Jarbidge is derived from Indian legend and comes from the

Shoshone term "Ja-Ha-Bich," meaning evil spirit. The town's gold rush days took place in the 1910s, and the camp was the site of the last stagecoach robbery in the U.S. in 1916.

So much of Jarbidge is like it was back then—the dirt streets, false fronts, log houses, and the remains of the old Bluster Mill. The town will never grow. The size of it is depressed by its own geography. That—and its colorful citizens—are part of its charm. □

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SAVING THE TRAINS

Steaming with enthusiasm,
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by Gary Elam





During its heyday in the 1870s the Virginia and Truckee Railroad made up to 45 runs a day, linking the Comstock's mines with mills on the Carson River, the U.S. Mint in Carson City, and the main Reno line.

In Ely, trains hauling copper ore on the Nevada Northern used to run 'round the clock between the Ruth copper pit and the smelter whose tall smokestack still stands over McGill.

Residents of Virginia City, Ely, and other Nevada mining towns became accustomed to the trains' constant clamor. Steam whistles screamed. Steel rails creaked and moaned. The noise was musical because the trains helped give life to those towns.

Today several historic railroads in Nevada are making comebacks thanks to the vision and hard work of residents and officials. This renewal of old-time railroading includes the Virginia and Truckee in Virginia City, the Nevada State Railroad Museum in Carson City, the Ghost Train of Old Ely, and plans for a major train museum in Boulder City.

Ely's Ghost Train (left) was launched by paid crew members like Hal Jensen, Jr. of Ely, Earl Knoob of Chama, New Mexico, and Larry Ingold of Jamestown, California (from left). Volunteers run it today.



VIRGINIA & TRUCKEE

The current rail revival began in Virginia City. The Comstock portion of the Virginia and Truckee had been abandoned in 1938, and when the Reno-Minden run ended in 1950, the V&T appeared to have given up the ghost.

In 1976, Oakland book distributor Bob Gray stepped in and revived the V&T as a tourist train on a couple of miles of

The V&T revived by Bob Gray (left), chugs along Virginia City's outskirts.

newly laid track. Last summer Gray extended the line across the highway to the historic Gold Hill Depot.

"The crossing has helped a lot—there's no doubt about it," Gray says. He says the passenger count increased from 49,000 in 1990 to 62,000 last year, mainly due to increased exposure at the highway crossing.

The V&T may go even farther than Gold Hill. Area rail fans, steaming with enthusiasm, have formed a Virginia and Truckee Reconstruction Committee in hopes of extending the tracks all the way to Carson City. Ideally, the group would like the V&T to start at Virginia City's old freight depot after reopening Tunnel No. 6 in front of St. Mary's in the Mountains Catholic Church. The project, at an estimated cost of \$3 million to \$4 million, would extend the tracks through Gold Hill and Mound House (with a highway crossing) all the way to New Empire east of Carson, a one-way trip of 17.7 miles.

"It will be a tremendous boon to the area," Gray predicts, but he emphasizes that the ambitious proposal is "not our doing. It is actually more to the benefit of Carson City. But I think it is a wonderful thing."

THE STATE OF RAILROADS

Today three rare V&T locomotives are on display, and sometimes steamed up, at the Nevada State Railroad Museum in Carson City. For that we can thank Hollywood.

Museum curator John Ballweber explains: "To generate money, the V&T in the 1930s and '40s sold some of the older equipment to the movie studios for use in Western films. Then in the early 1970s Hollywood decided the railroad equipment was becoming more of a liability, so they decided to sell it to the state of Nevada."

As the state began to acquire more rolling stock, the project was transferred from the Division of State Parks to the Nevada State Museum. The trains went public in 1980, and their restoration was aided by a Fleischmann Foundation grant. A simple facility on South Carson Street was opened on summer weekends. At first, the collection focused mainly on V&T equipment, but its scope expanded to include all the state's historic lines.

In 1987 a circular track was added, and in 1990 an interpretive center opened with hours expanded to Wednesday through Sunday year-round. In the past decade, the yearly visitor count has increased from about 7,000 to 50,000.

Steam locomotives and a gasoline-powered rail bus offer rides on weekends in summer. "People can ride on the equipment—it's a good experience of the technology," Ballweber says.

The mile loop of track takes passengers past a restored station that was moved to the railroad museum from Wabuska in 1983 after being abandoned by Southern Pacific.

Locomotive No. 8, built in 1888 in New Jersey, will operate this summer. Two restored V&T locomotives—No. 22, the *Inyo*, and No. 25—are steamed up for special events.

"We're always looking to collect additional pieces to strengthen our collection and to be able to better tell the story," Ballweber says. The museum's growth may be slowed by the current budget crunch, he says, "but we've developed a facility here that's been extremely successful and very popular."



The Nevada State Railroad Museum in Carson City takes visitors back in time with V&T engines returned from Hollywood. Staff includes, from left, restoration supervisor Chris de Witt, curator John Ballweber, and restoration specialist Lee Hobold.

Gray's own plans call for a more modest extension of a couple of hundred feet to the 1930s-era Crown Point Mill, recently refurbished by the Art Wilson Company. Passengers will be able to get off and tour the mill or see other Gold Hill mining sites.

Reviving the V&T took not only money but also patience, Gray recalls. A train fan, he started working on the project in 1966, 10 years before he could begin operations, and he personally financed the whole start-up. "Putting together all of the rights-of-way was a tremendous obstacle," he says. "It took us a long time to convince people that we were for real."

Future restoration work depends on summer season profits, Gray says. "If we make money, we put it right back into

improving the railroad. We don't take anything out of it. The stockholders never get a nickel, including myself."

The V&T's dedicated crew works year-round. Engineer Chuck Haynes says he considers his job a historical obligation.

"There were 150,000 steam locomotives built in the United States," Haynes says. "Of those, 2,000 survive. And of those 2,000, only 200 are operable. That's why it's so important to some people to just keep this thing alive."

"Locomotives are very labor intensive," he adds. "To keep them going in the long run takes an astronomical amount of maintenance. We've made our own parts. We've had parts made at two different foundries in California. You just can't go to Grand Auto."



Passengers on Ely's Nevada Northern can step into this concession car—a 1908 St. Louis coach that goes on every run.

THE GHOST TRAIN OF OLD ELY

When Kennecott Copper shut the Nevada Northern down in 1983, the railroad appeared to have made its last run after 77 years of service.

But residents of the Ely area quickly organized a revival movement. Local citizens asked Kennecott to give the railroad to Ely as a gift—and the company agreed. White Pine County's copper-based economy was history, but the Nevada Northern would stay.

Kennecott donated the East Ely depot, miles of track, a caboose, freight cars, coaches, and an assortment of steam, diesel, and electric-powered locomotives. The star locomotive proved to be old No. 40, a 1910 Baldwin that had been fondly maintained by Nevada Northern mechanics. Steam-powered No. 40 is now called the Ghost Train of Old Ely.

Ely's remoteness helped keep the copper line's equipment intact, not scattered around the country like the V&T's. "Nothing left here," says Lorraine Ulibarri, executive director of the White Pine Historical Railroad Foundation.

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ELY'S RAIL REVIVAL

TJ. "Joe" Lani looks up at the steam locomotive. "I ran that No. 40 for 39 years," he says, puffing on one of the countless Marlboro 100's he burns down to the butt while he works.

When copper was king in White Pine County, Lani was an engineer on the Nevada Northern. In 1983 Kennecott gave the railroad to the city of Ely, and now he shows eager engineer wannabes the how's and why's of steam and diesel engines.

Lani and another engineer, Darrell Hall, are among many volunteers lending their time and knowledge to the White Pine Historical Railroad Foundation, which operates a museum in the East Ely depot and offers rides on the tourist train in summer. The foundation is restoring another steam engine, No. 93, but there's no repair manual for the 1909 steamer, so the two men are advising on the repairs.

Hall, Lani, and their crew of volunteers have been resourceful.



Joe Lani gets No. 93 ready for '93.

Recently they had to jack up another engine, No. 109, which weighs a mere 125 tons, to change an axle. They also are innovative when it comes to finding parts, many of which are rare and have to be custom-made. It helps that when Kennecott departed, it left much of the equipment in place. Touring the buildings in the yard is like walking through a twilight zone, with parts and machinery covered by a thin layer of dust. They appear ready to go to work, just like the Ely volunteers.—Stanford L. Semones

The Greatest Water Story Ever Told

Photographers tell why these Nevada swimming holes are favorites for serenity and splashing

I love Wet 'n Wild in Las Vegas because it's the only spot where you can cool off and still make the dinner show at the Flamingo by five postmeridian.—*Justine Hill, Santa Monica, California*



This spot east of Panaca is fed by an underground stream and comes complete with beach, ladder, and perfect water temperature. You can take in the view while sipping a beer in the middle of the desert, just bobbing along into the evening.—*Roy Herrick, Reno*



The Virgin Basin at the northern end of Lake Mead is my favorite water spot because of the serene, clear water. It's also less popular with people and more popular with waterfowl and wild burros.—*Kate Butler, Las Vegas*

Grapevine Canyon is a true desert oasis 10 miles west of Laughlin. A stream pours through the gorge, carving the granite and giving life to the surrounding land. It's just a Nevada kind of place.—*Sid McCammond, Fresno, California*



I probably spend 45 weekends a year on my boat *Serenity* on Lake Mead, mostly relaxing and taking photos. My favorite subjects are people like this windsurfer enjoying their chosen water sport.—Gene Hertzog, Henderson



Topaz Lake is not only great for sailing and other water recreation, but camping is fun, too. Just don't try to play cards out there when that afternoon wind comes up.—Joanne McCubrey Placerville, California

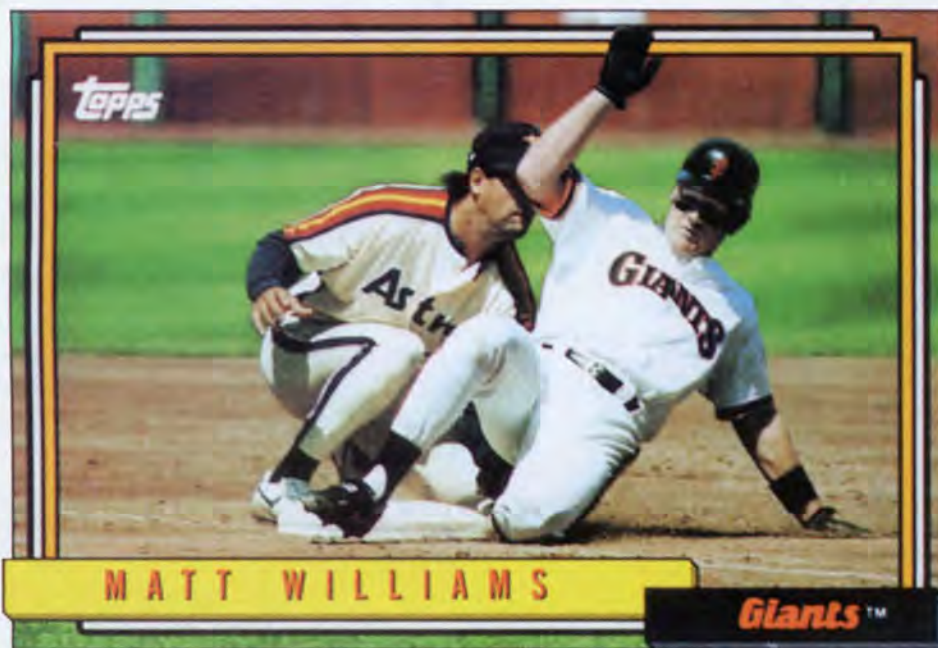


I love to shoot Lake Tahoe because of its clarity which creates a twofold opportunity for a photographer: There's always something to photograph since the lake is always beautiful.—William Carr, Crystal Bay

I was amazed when some friends decided to ride up the Carson River from Lahontan Reservoir on jet skis just to see how far they could make it. They did OK except for a few sandbars.—Aaron Lynch, Reno



I shot this in the middle of nowhere in the Black Rock Desert. It's on private property so it was like a kid sneaking a swim where he's not supposed to.—Larry Prosser, Truckee, California



Big Leaguers

Baseball, duck tales, and Alf Doten.

Major League Nevadans

When San Francisco Giants third baseman Matt Williams hit a two-run homer off rookie pitcher Donovan Osborne of the St. Louis Cardinals on May 7, the Giants won 2-0. It also marked a confrontation between two of the half-dozen Nevadans playing in the major leagues this summer.

Williams and Osborne attended the same high school (Carson) and college (UNLV) a few years apart. Williams, an All-Star, has won an RBI title, a Gold Glove, and played in the 1989 World Series. Osborne, who began this season with a 3-0 record, was an early candidate for National League Rookie of the Year.

In Chicago, the Cubs began the season with three Nevadans in their starting rotation. Greg Maddux, from Valley High in Las Vegas, is one of the National League's top starters. Mike Morgan, another former Valley pitcher, was an expensive free agent signed away from the Los Angeles Dodgers. Shawn Boskie, who went to Reno High and once lost to Maddux and Valley for the state championship, now wears the same pinstripes.

Mike Maddux, Greg's brother, once pitched for Rancho High in Las Vegas. Mike is on the San Diego Padres staff.

UNLV has sent a number of players to the majors besides Williams and

Osborne, such as Todd Stottlemyre of the Toronto Blue Jays, Joe Boever of the Houston Astros, and Scott Lewis of the California Angels.—Greg Bortolin

Lucky Ducks

Ducks flying over Las Vegas often drop in on hotel fountains and backyard swimming pools.

"There's not a government agency big enough, strong enough, or rich enough to change nature," says Dart Anthony, president of the Humane Society of Southern Nevada-SPCA. "This was their flight pattern eons before Las Vegas was here. The ducks don't care if the Mirage or the Sands is there. They just drop down and say hi."

Las Vegas resident Ted Mikels can attest to that. He awoke one spring morning to find that a family of web-footed guests had taken over his swimming pool. Despite the inconvenience, Mikels says he came to enjoy being host to a mother mallard and her hatchlings.

"It was a real pleasure just to watch them," he says. "They were in and out of the pool every five minutes."

Mikels built a special ramp so the ducks could enter and leave the pool with ease. The mother was extremely protective, he says. "The mama duck warded off cats, and if the plastic duck [in the pool]

came too close, she'd beat it with her wings."

After two weeks the ducks were moved to a more natural setting near town. Although the ducks seemed to enjoy their stay—they even got to meet some of Mikels' 21 grandchildren—they trotted happily into the cages that would carry them back to the wilds.—Carolyn Graham

Requiem for a Heavyweight

The gravesite of pioneer Comstock journalist Alf Doten was found recently in Reno. Now a group of historians want to make sure it isn't lost again.

The location of Doten's final resting place came into question when the group was pondering the fate of Kyzer, Doten's faithful canine companion.



Alf Doten.

Doten, a contemporary of Virginia City newspapermen Mark Twain and Dan De Quille, couldn't bear to part with the little black dog even after its death, so he had it stuffed. After Doten's death in 1903, Kyzer was somehow misplaced.

"We spent all this effort trying to find his dog, and suddenly we realized we didn't know where Alf was buried," says Gold Hill author David Toll.

With the help of the Nevada Historical Society and an old plot map, members of the Gold Hill Chapter of the Alf Doten Society pinpointed Doten's grave as a diminishing bulge encircled by stones in the vandalized Hillside Cemetery overlooking Reno's downtown casinos.

Aghast at the condition of the burial site, the group, chaired by historian and Sparks middle school English teacher John Lundemo, decided to organize a drive to build a memorial headstone and shrine. Leftover funds will go toward fellowships for journalism students to attend writing workshops. Anyone wishing to contribute time or money can write John Lundemo, c/o Comstock Chronicle, Box 530, Virginia City, NV 89440.

Today Alf Doten is best known for his prolific diaries, edited by Walter Van Tilburg Clark, and published in the three-volume *Journals of Alfred Doten, 1849-1903* by the University of Nevada Press in 1973.

"He was one of dozens of newspaper people on the Comstock who were famous in their day but aren't really now," Toll says. "But he was one who really made an impact."—Carolyn Graham □



Scientist Jon Barth of Boulder City finds treasure, like his high-voltage attenuator where others see only junk.

Patent Pleasure

For these Nevada inventors, money is just the fuel that drives their dreams.

By Sheila Muhtadi

Nevada has long been a haven for inventors. Philipp Deidesheimer developed his square-set timing system for mines during Virginia City's bonanza days. Bill Lear, creator of the Learjet, based his enterprises in Reno. H.L. "Hub" Cummins, a shop foreman for the Nevada Northern Railroad in East Ely, remains a more obscure figure, but he shouldn't be. According to Nevada historian Phillip I. Earl, Cummins deserves to be honored as the father of the diesel-turbine engine that bears his name.

Nevada's modern-day inventors want to be anything but obscure. The four profiled here say they derive their greatest satisfaction from seeing their products in use. They all agree that money does not drive them; it just keeps their creative engines fueled.

JON BARTH

Thirty years ago Jon Barth was working for Bird Electronics in Cleveland when company officials decided to clean out the office of the late Ray Bird, the company founder. As they headed out the door with a pile of strange electronic parts, Barth cried out, "You

Barth works busily beside a big sign that reads, 'Perseverance, a substitute for genius.'

can't throw that stuff away! Mr. Bird spent 30 years collecting that stuff."

Barth, who rescued Bird's "stuff," saw jewels where others saw junk. Today the Boulder City inventor happily admits he doesn't think like other people. That's why he started his own firm, Barth Electronics, in 1964.

Barth delved into microwave heating, then a newly emerging technology. He would approach, say, a potato-chip company, demonstrate his microwave oven's drying ability, and then explain how he could construct an energy-efficient oven to suit the company's needs. But microwave technology was new, and the potato-chip people wouldn't bite.

Luckily Barth, a graduate of Valparaiso Technical Institute in Indiana, had a money-making project on the side. Among Mr. Bird's junk he had found a

resistor that could handle high-voltage pulses. From it Barth designed an attenuator, a device that reduces the strength of electrical impulses, that was used by contractors at the Test Site north of Las Vegas.

Soon the Test Site was accounting for 80 percent of his business, so he brought his company and his family to Boulder City in 1976. His plant's work force grew to 22 employees, but with the Department of Energy shifting funds in recent years to clean-up projects, Barth has had to cut back to seven employees (including wife Norma and two of his four children) and develop new markets. Today most of his clients are government labs where scientists study atomic structure through collision. In layman's terms, "when things happen that fast, you need high voltages to dissect and examine them," he says.

"We're the only people in world who make the high-voltage attenuators," the 54-year-old inventor says. He recently traveled to Russia to help scientists there use his products.



John Chisholm's work has led to such devices as an aircraft-carrier landing system for jets and the first "fuzzbuster"

Barth seems to love his work, which is good because he's had to put in 60-hour weeks lately. "We're diversifying," he says as he works busily next to a big sign that reads:

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JOHN P. CHISHOLM

Inventing has been the easy part of John P. Chisholm's career. "Some of my ideas have been almost spontaneous," he says. "But bringing an invention to fruition, in general, takes a great deal of determination."

Chisholm has one invention—he won't say what it is—that he's been massaging for more than 20 years. "The need is there. The solution is there. But the money ain't there." And no matter how successful you've been in the past, he says, to launch a new invention "you have to put up a lot of your own money and time."

So why bother, you ask this tall man with clear blue eyes who in 1991 was named Nevada Inventor of the Year. At 68, Chisholm has patented dozens of aircraft navigational systems, including one that allows jets to land automatically on aircraft carriers in "zero-zero" weather; the system is described in the

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**'It's the challenge,'
says Chisholm. 'Once
I've achieved a goal,
I forget about it the
next day.'**

book and movie, *Flight of the Intruder*. He has a lifestyle he loves: homes in Reno and Squaw Valley, a consultant to Sierra Nevada Corporation, chief scientist at CF International, time to ski and be with his family.

Why bother with another invention? "To me, it's the challenge," Chisholm says in his soft, deliberate voice. "Once I've achieved a goal, I forget about it the next day."

While growing up in a Nova Scotia fishing village, Chisholm found challenge in the slide rule his father brought home from work at the telephone company. When his father said electrical engineers used slide rules, he decided to study electrical engineering. His dad arranged a work-study program with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology by which John would study four months, then work at the telephone company four months.

Chisholm later taught at MIT and worked at Bell Aircraft. He took a three-month leave in 1954 and went big-game hunting in Africa, where he was attacked by a wounded lion ("took a chunk out of my leg"). In 1957 he formed Sierra Research Corporation in Buffalo, the U.S. city that he determined had the worst weather—which was good for his research. In 1959, a New York company used a Chisholm patent to produce the first police radar-detecting "fuzzbuster."

Meanwhile, he had decided to move to Reno, the U.S. city with the *best* weather, according to his study. Six years later he came to Reno as a research professor at the Desert Research Institute and worked with Sierra Nevada Corporation, formed by his family. He left DRI in 1984 to become SNC's chief scientist.

He remains active in two companies overseen by two other family members. His daughter Michelle is CEO of Sierra Nevada Corporation, and his daughter Heidi is president of CF ("Chisholm Family") International.

Chisholm says he appreciates his Sierra Nevada lifestyle and career. But he confesses to "working my tail off right now" on his 20-year-old invention, which he surely hopes you'll hear about soon.

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J. ROBERT CLARKSON

In the bitterly cold winter of 1936-37, milling operations at the Buckhorn Mine north of Eureka had so many problems that the miners held a mock funeral for the jinx that seemed to plague the mill. The miners placed a dummy in a coffin and buried it to the solemn strains of an accordion. But once the coffin was in the ground, it was up to the new mill superintendent, J. Robert "Bob" Clarkson, to get the plant running again—which he did.

Clarkson, now 82, has patented many solutions for the mining industry since his days at the Buckhorn and other mines. The best known is the Clarkson Reagent



Bob Clarkson, a miner, inventor and world traveler, shows a sampling of letters he's received from business contacts all over the world at his Sparks headquarters.

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successful," Clarkson says.

The firm he founded in 1950, the Clarkson Company, designs and manufactures equipment used in industries as varied as food, paper, and mining. The Clarkson plant on Spice Island Drive in Sparks had \$12 million in gross sales last year in more than 80 countries.

Although Clarkson holds a list of patents, he doesn't consider himself an

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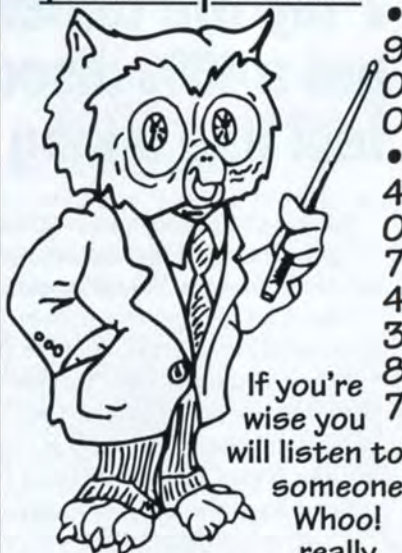
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inventor or a businessman. "I like to think of myself as a miner," he says as he sits in an office decorated with miner's lamps and ore samples.

Clarkson calls the mining industry a "worldwide fraternity." He spends a fair bit of time traveling and visiting old friends; his son, Curtis, is president of the family-owned company. But Clarkson still shows up at the office regularly and gives advice as it's needed. When he travels, he's often joined by his wife Edna Mae; they have been married 62 years. "Her father was an eminent mining man," Clarkson says. "I married the boss's daughter."

He proudly notes that his grandfather was a California 49er and Idaho miner before taking up farming. His father also was skilled at mining. Clarkson himself grew up on the family farm in the gold-rich Boise Basin but went to work in the mines, where he had the challenge of working with college-educated peers.

When the 25-year-old miner made a better reagent feeder, he sent a model to American Cyanamid & Chemical. Officials there gave him advice and even



Don Schmanski proudly shows a soundproof highway barrier made from recycled tires and plastic milk jugs.

made the patent applications for him. No, he never worried about anyone stealing his ideas, Bob Clarkson says. "People in the mining industry—even today—are pretty dependable. You can still make a deal on a handshake."

DON SCHMANSKI

While most American manufacturers are cursing the current recession, inventor Don Schmanski Sr., owner of the Carsonite highway-marker company, sniffs opportunity in the air.

"For the last 18 months we've been working on products that deal with the environmental issue of recycled materials," explains Schmanski, who was named Nevada Inventor of the Year in 1990. His company has used recycled plastic, recycled tires, and Carsonite's highly durable glass-reinforced composite to create a new material, called dB Minus, that can be used in sound barriers.

"In using recycled tires, we found a side benefit we hadn't expected: Our sound wall actually absorbs sound, unlike concrete, which just reflects it," Schmanski says.

Talking about the material inspires Schmanski, an athletic looking 64, to leap to the writing board in his Carson City office and start jotting down numbers.

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"We go through 300 million used tires a year at an average of 17 pounds apiece," he says as he begins calculating.

Bring up the subject of products for the visually impaired, and Schmanski again is scribbling excitedly. He has developed walking platforms with patented "detectable surfaces" that are being used by the Bay Area Rapid Transit System and transportation systems in Sacramento and Miami. Blind and visually impaired people can detect the surfaces, which warn them of danger. He now is applying this technology to industry. "Anybody operating a fork lift or

carrying something large in front of them is essentially blinded," he says.

Bring up the heat-resistant plastics that Schmanski created in the 1950s and '60s, and his response is rather ho-hum. The fiber-reinforced plastics, called composites, were vital to NASA rocket boosters, lunar modules, and the space shuttle. They helped put men on the moon. But, he says, "You can't invent anything with hindsight."

Here's another subject that brings a shrug: To date, Schmanski's products have generated almost \$2 billion in sales. "I've never worked for money in all my

life," he says. "All I want to be able to do is remain creative as long as I possibly can."

Schmanski continues to oversee production of the flexible roadside markers he invented at his plant, which has grown to 125 employees since he founded it in 1978. The markers are used in 14 countries, from Europe to Australia. He says he gets a rush when he's visiting another country and drives by one of his road markers. □

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Six other notable inventors were profiled in "Fathers of Invention" by Rob Powers in the March/April '86 issue of *Nevada*. They were:

Donald Bently: The Minden inventor developed a transducer that, through vibrations, can detect cracks and other problems in machinery.

Austin Cooley: Called the "Father of Facsimile," the late Reno resident developed the technology by which wire services began transmitting news photos in the 1930s.

Alessandro Dandini: The late Reno inventor designed the three-way filament light bulb and socket.

Paul Fisher: The former presidential candidate from Boulder City is best known as the inventor of the Fisher Space Pen, which works even in zero gravity.

John Kleppe: Using sound waves, the University of Nevada, Reno engineering professor developed radar and other sensor systems, including one that measures weather inversions.

Robert Mendenhall: Owner of Las Vegas Paving, Mendenhall discovered a way to recycle asphalt and eventually earned more than 30 recycling-related patents.

All except Fisher are in the **Nevada Inventors Hall of Fame**, located in the main lobby of the Scruggs Engineering Mines Building on the UNR campus; plaques there honor the state's inventors of the year since 1984. Other inductees include **George S. Sanders**, the Las Vegas inventor who made advances in agricultural-aviation engineering, and **Steven P. Shearing**, the Las Vegas physician credited with developing the first plastic compressible lens that replaces a patient's natural lens during cataract surgery. □



The idea of a tourist train through Railroad Pass sounds good to Boulder City Mayor Eric Lundgaard (center), Councilman Bob Ferraro, and Lundgaard's son Bret.

"The equipment was not scrapped. It was just too difficult to get the steam locomotives out of here."

The foundation has administered the Nevada Northern Railway Museum for the past six years as a tourist railroad. Except for three full-time employees and seasonal tour guides, the staff, from engineers to mechanics, is made up of volunteers. Additional help came recently when Sean Pitts, who was director of Ely's White Pine Public Museum, moved to the East Ely depot to take a new state position of curator of history. Pitts is cataloguing the railroad museum's collection of historical documents.

The Nevada Northern has an unusual program for train buffs—you can actually rent the railroad. Ely is one of the few places in the West where aspiring engineers can rent a steam or diesel locomotive for yard or track instruction. The idea, borrowed from Portola, California, has worked.

"This program has just gone bananas," Ulibarri says. "We were afraid of trouble at first. What if a person didn't listen to the engineer or pulled something they shouldn't pull? But the rail fan is an incredible individual, very dedicated. We've never had a problem."

The Nevada Northern's summer program offers two runs for tourists: the Keystone Route, a 14-mile steam-powered round trip, and the Hilene, a 22-mile round trip powered by a diesel locomotive. Ulibarri says ridership has increased about 25 percent every year.

Kennecott's gift, of course, did not include upkeep. "Now we have to find the funds to preserve the buildings, and

maintain the equipment, which is one of our biggest challenges," Ulibarri says. The railroad's budget is tighter than ever, and foundation members are deeply concerned about future funding. But so far they've done a remarkable job of keeping part of Ely's copper heritage on track.

BACK TO BOULDER

A rail revival also is taking place in southern Nevada. The state's plan is to build a museum complex in Boulder City and run a tourist line to Henderson on the old Union Pacific grade, which dates back to Hoover Dam's construction in the early 1930s.

Completion of the railway is six to eight years away because of the budget crunch, says Greg Corbin, assistant administrator in charge of railroad creations for the state Department of Museums and History. The project will be known as the Nevada State Railroad Museum, Boulder City, and costs are estimated to be \$6 million for track work and \$15 million for the museum complex on Yucca Street, site of the old Union Pacific yards.

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Gary Elam of Virginia City is editor-publisher of the Comstock Chronicle. As a teenager he used to ride the Boulder City tracks with friends—in cars with deflated tires.

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Nevada State Railroad Museum: Vintage equipment is on display at the Carson City rail museum. On cer-

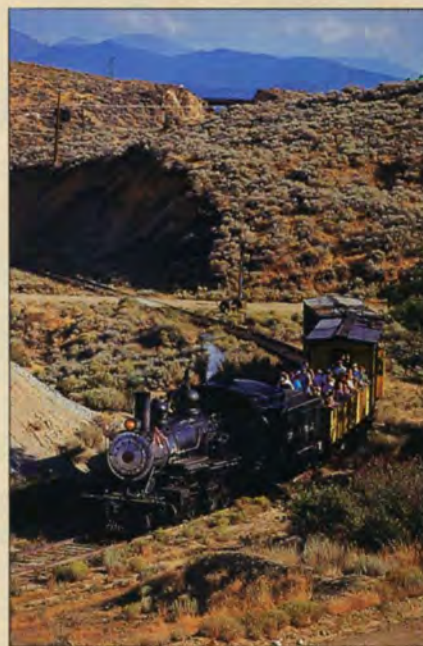
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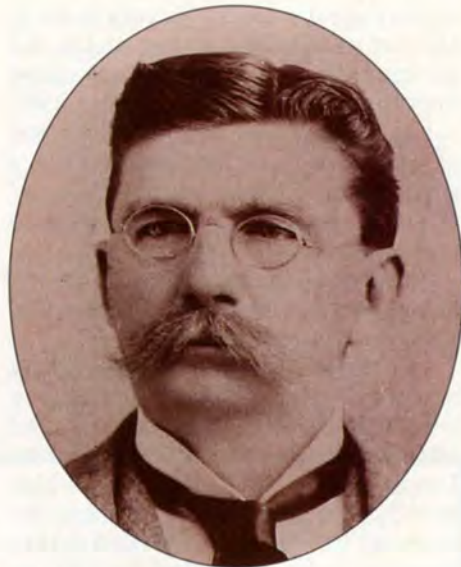
THE RACE TO BULLFROG

Two of America's
captains of industry clashed in this
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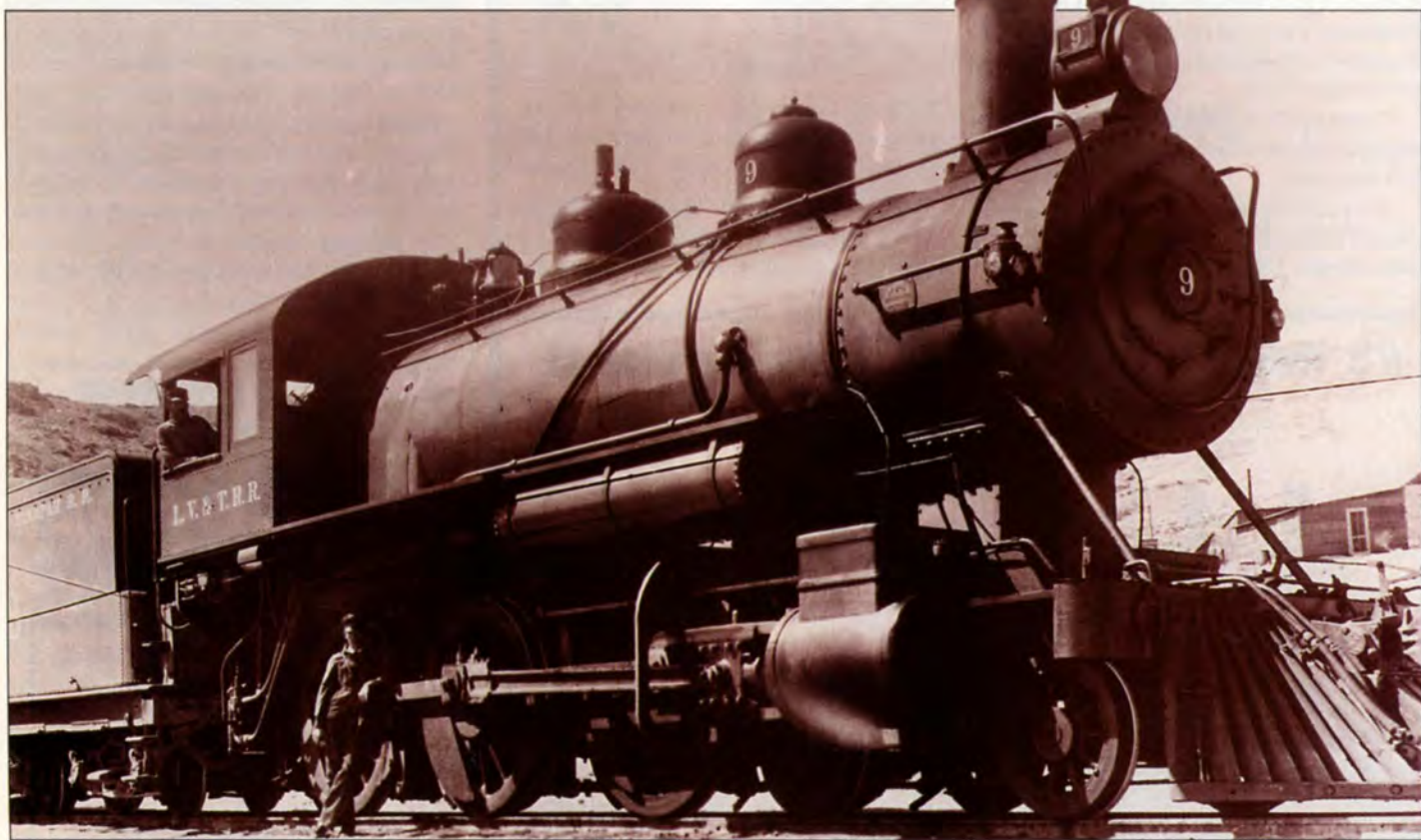
By Frank Wright



Senator Clark.



Borax Smith.



When Clark decided to build his own line to the mines of central Nevada, the result was the 200-mile Las Vegas and Tonopah.

In 1905, two railroads began making a mad dash across the desert north of Las Vegas. The object of the race was to capture the heart and gold of the booming Bullfrog Mining District in central Nevada. It also proved to be a clash between two empire builders of the first stripe.

William Andrews Clark was a U.S. Senator from Montana who had made a fortune in mining and finance. Clark had

just brought his San Pedro, Los Angeles, and Salt Lake Railroad through southern Nevada, creating the town of Las Vegas in the process.

His rival was F.M. "Borax" Smith, an equally formidable character whose Death Valley borax dominated the world market with its "20-mule team" trademark.

Both Smith and Clark had sensed the potential rewards of a railroad connect-

ing the new mines at Rhyolite and other Bullfrog camps with Southern California. At first the two men were drawn together as comrades in commerce, but soon their paths parted, and they embarked on a fierce competition to bring rails to Rhyolite.

Their rivalry had its roots in the central Nevada mining boom that began with the Tonopah silver discoveries in 1900. Two years later, prospectors uncov-

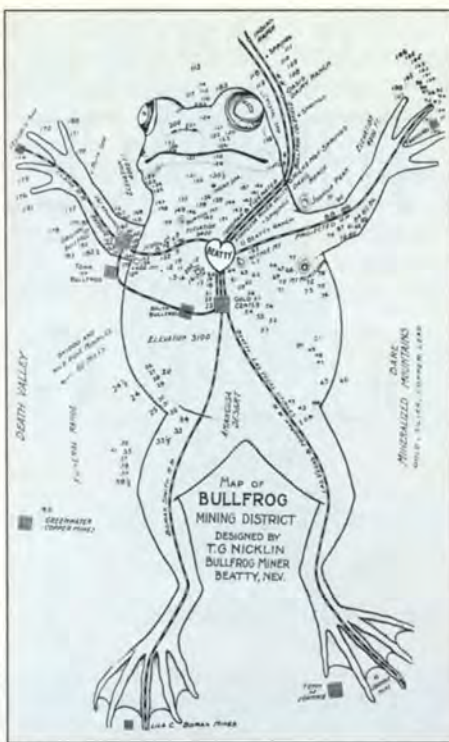
ered a vein of rich gold ore to the south, and Goldfield was born. Soon the Bullfrog District near Beatty added fuel to the mining fever. Rhyolite, the district's most important city, sprang up in January 1905.

Las Vegas Valley also was the scene of frenzied activity. In January 1905, a small ceremony involving the "driving" of a thumbtack-size gold spike marked the completion of Clark's San Pedro, Los Angeles, and Salt Lake Railroad. The following May, a public auction of lots established the town of Las Vegas.

Meanwhile, Smith, Clark, and others began efforts to connect the Bullfrog District to the larger rail network. The advantage seemed to lie with the Tonopah and Goldfield Railroad, which already provided a link to the transcontinental line at Reno. Philadelphia investors, who controlled the T&G as well as most of the important Tonopah mines, organized the Bullfrog Goldfield Railroad. Because of internal problems, however, the BG didn't begin laying rails until May 1905.

It was too late. Smith and Clark, determined industrialists both, had already left the game.

Acquaintances of the two rivals described Smith and Clark in almost identical terms. Each was said to be "not a



Bullfrog's lower legs represent the two railroads pushing toward Beatty in 1906.

large man" but an "imposing figure." The handlebar-mustachioed Smith and the bristly-bearded Clark were both

proud of their rough-hewn origins. Smith transported the wood cabin he built while serving as a woodcutter near Candelaria, Nevada, to his lavish estate in Oakland, California. Of Pennsylvanian Clark, the *Las Vegas Age* rhapsodized that "he has not spent his life in the strife of Wall Street, but on the wind-swept plains. He has remained in close kinship with the people of the west."

Even the routes that brought the two men together in 1905 offer curious parallels. Twenty-one-year-old Francis Marion Smith left his native Wisconsin in 1867 to knock around the mining camps of Montana, Idaho, and Nevada. William Andrews Clark had arrived in Montana in 1863 by a more circuitous route—law school at Iowa Wesleyan, school teaching in Missouri, and mucking out mines in Colorado.

Each man had made his initial fortune in mining. Clark amassed enough money from placer mining in Montana to turn to merchant banking. From such activities as buying and selling gold dust, milling lumber, mining copper, and trading in flour and tobacco, his financial empire eventually expanded to include a large wire works in New Jersey, a sugar-processing plant in Southern California, and the enormously profitable copper

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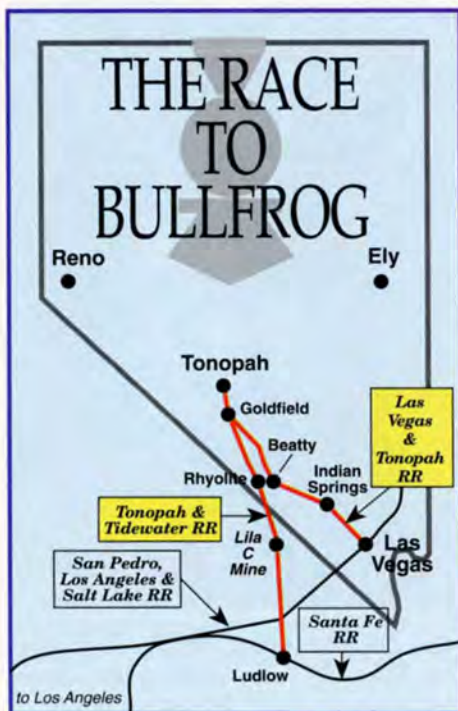
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Smith's fortune derived from almost single-handedly developing the borax industry in America. While laboring as a woodcutter at the western Nevada mining camp of Candelaria in 1872, he discovered borax deposits at nearby Teel's Marsh. Working with William Coleman of the Pacific Borax Company, he put together and built up the giant Pacific Coast Borax Company by 1890. This was done in part by opening a New York office to promote the multiplicity of uses—from soap- to glass-making—to which the then little-known mineral could be put. Six years later, the firm went multinational through a merger with an English company. By then, PCB controlled roughly 85 percent of the domestic market, and its "20-mule team" identity was familiar worldwide. As a corporate titan, Smith was a force to be reckoned with.

Clark was no slouch, either. His vast fortune and power paled beside that of E.H. Harriman of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific, yet he had battled Harriman to a draw in building a rail link between Los Angeles and Salt Lake City. The so-called "Clark-Harriman War," fought in the field with pickaxes and shovels as well as in the courts between 1900 and 1905, ended with Clark and Harriman each controlling 50 percent of the new San Pedro, Los Angeles, and Salt Lake road.

Meanwhile, Clark had engineered his reelection as a U.S. Senator from Montana. Although he was first elected by state legislators in 1899, the Senate balked at

seating him because of extensive fraud and bribery in the election, a practice that was not unusual in the days before the direct election of senators. Undeterred, Clark obtained reelection in 1901 and was duly seated.

The two men's race by rail could be said to have begun with a chance meeting at San Francisco's posh Pacific Union Club in April 1905. Smith told the senator that he needed to build a railroad immediately. Some of Smith's borax deposits were about to give out, so he had to turn to his undeveloped Lila C Mine on the edge of Death Valley. Rails

from Ludlow, California, on the Santa Fe Railroad to the Lila C would replace the picturesque and reliable, but slow, 20-mule teams. The new line was the Tonopah and Tidewater.

Clark proposed an intriguing alternative. Smith could connect his Tonopah and Tidewater to the Clark line at Las Vegas instead of reaching farther south to the Santa Fe. The curves and grades would be easier and the distance considerably shorter. Clark also promised that he would match the Santa Fe's price on the delivery of rails and ties.

Satisfied that he had struck a mutual-

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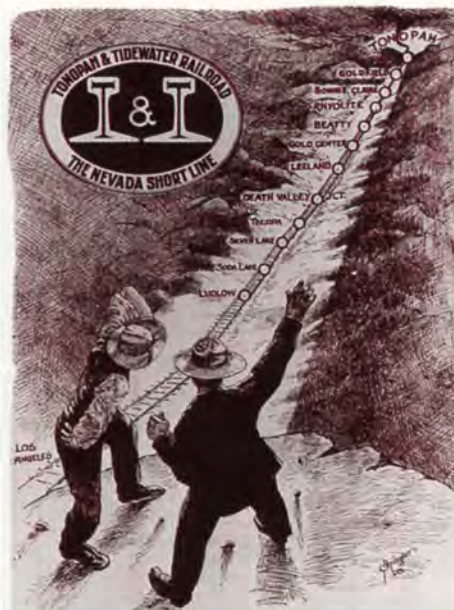
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This depiction of Borax Smith's Tonopah
and Tidewater, "The Nevada Short Line,"
ran in Death Valley Magazine in 1908.

ly advantageous deal, Smith promptly
sent surveying and grading crews to Las
Vegas, and work began on the grade
northwest to Indian Springs. But Clark
had outmaneuvered Smith. The first hints
of a double cross came when Clark work-
ers began surveying an auto road paral-
lel to the T&T grade. Although the road
quickly proved a fiasco as the autos kept
breaking down, there was a more seri-
ous omen—Clark was charging Smith
considerably more than he had promised
for the delivery of rails and ties. The final
wrench in Smith's plans came in August,
when Clark's representatives refused to
allow the T&T a connection to their road
at Las Vegas.

Was Clark's San Francisco proposal a
deliberate ploy or simply a change of
heart occasioned by visions of his own
road? Historians are uncertain. Whatever
the answer, Clark's new Las Vegas and
Tonopah Railroad began extending the
partially graded T&T route in December,
while the T&T reverted to Smith's orig-
inal plan and began laying tracks north
toward Death Valley from Ludlow.

Both roads made swift progress at
first. The LV&T reached Indian Springs
by February 1906, and Smith completed
75 miles of track by May. From Indian
Springs, Clark had clear sailing and
reached Beatty, the Bullfrog District's
distribution center, in October. Smith's
crews still had to negotiate 12 arduous
miles of Amargosa Canyon south of
Tecopa.

Even though the two roads had begun
almost simultaneously, the Smith-Clark

race to Bullfrog was soon over. The first LV&T locomotive pulled into Rhyolite, where the old LV&T depot still stands, in December 1906 while T&T crews were still battling the heat in the canyon.

In Amargosa Canyon members of Japanese and Mexican work crews met tragic ends; the *Goldfield News* reported that workers were "dying off like flies." The T&T didn't reach Tecopa until May 1907 and only made connections with the Lila C Mine in August, nearly a full year after starting. When the T&T finally reached the outskirts of Beatty in October, the LV&T was already completing its line to Goldfield.

Clark may have won the race, but it turned out to be an empty victory. The LV&T made a profit only in its first year. The effects of a national financial panic struck Nevada mining camps in late 1907, and the rich ore veins at Rhyolite proved shallow and were already petering out. Clark's LV&T was virtually forgotten during the war years of 1914-18, and it was officially shut down after the war.

The LV&T did achieve, however briefly, the first and only interior rail link between Las Vegas and Reno, though it took five railroads to span the distance. The linkup was completed when John and Arthur Brock's Bullfrog Goldfield Railroad limped into the Bullfrog District in June 1907.

Borax Smith may have been the last to arrive, but he had the satisfaction of outlasting the others. Even after the Lila C ores gave out in 1914, the Smith route had an edge over the LV&T. The T&T, touted as "The Nevada Short Line," had taken over the operation of the financially troubled BG and had a more direct route to the coast for Goldfield freight.

As the Goldfield ores also gave out, the T&T gradually faded, and the BG folded in 1928. The development of Furnace Creek Inn in Death Valley by Pacific Coast Borax provided some tourist income for the T&T in its declining years, but it too finally ceased operation in 1940.

Today we can see that the railroading ambitions of Smith and Clark left other legacies besides their race to Bullfrog. Smith's T&T opened borax country to the traveling public, and that led to the establishment of Death Valley National Monument in 1933. Clark's main line created Las Vegas—back then, a dusty division point in the desert—and today his name is honored by Nevada's most populous region, Clark County. □

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Casino Camping

Getting recreational in Las Vegas.

By Nancy Baren Miller

Some of Las Vegas' busiest casinos have some of the busiest RV campgrounds, too. There, RVers can find their own space while trading nature trails for buffet lines at such hotels as Circus Circus and Sam's Town.

Las Vegas is the center of casino camping in Nevada, with six hotels rolling out the indoor-outdoor carpet for RVers. The parks provide swimming pools, hot showers, dump stations, and laundromats. Most sites have water and electricity, and some have sewer hookups. Reservations are always recommended.

Tennis buffs can try the **Hacienda Camperland**, the only RV park on the Strip with a tennis court. Catering to Coast-to-Coast patrons and over-nighters, this campground has a spa, horseshoe and volleyball areas, and shaded children's playground. Barbecue grills and tables are scattered throughout the park. Sites: 363. Nightly rates: \$14.95 including tax October to May, \$9.68 including tax June to September. Call 702-739-8214.

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Around the State

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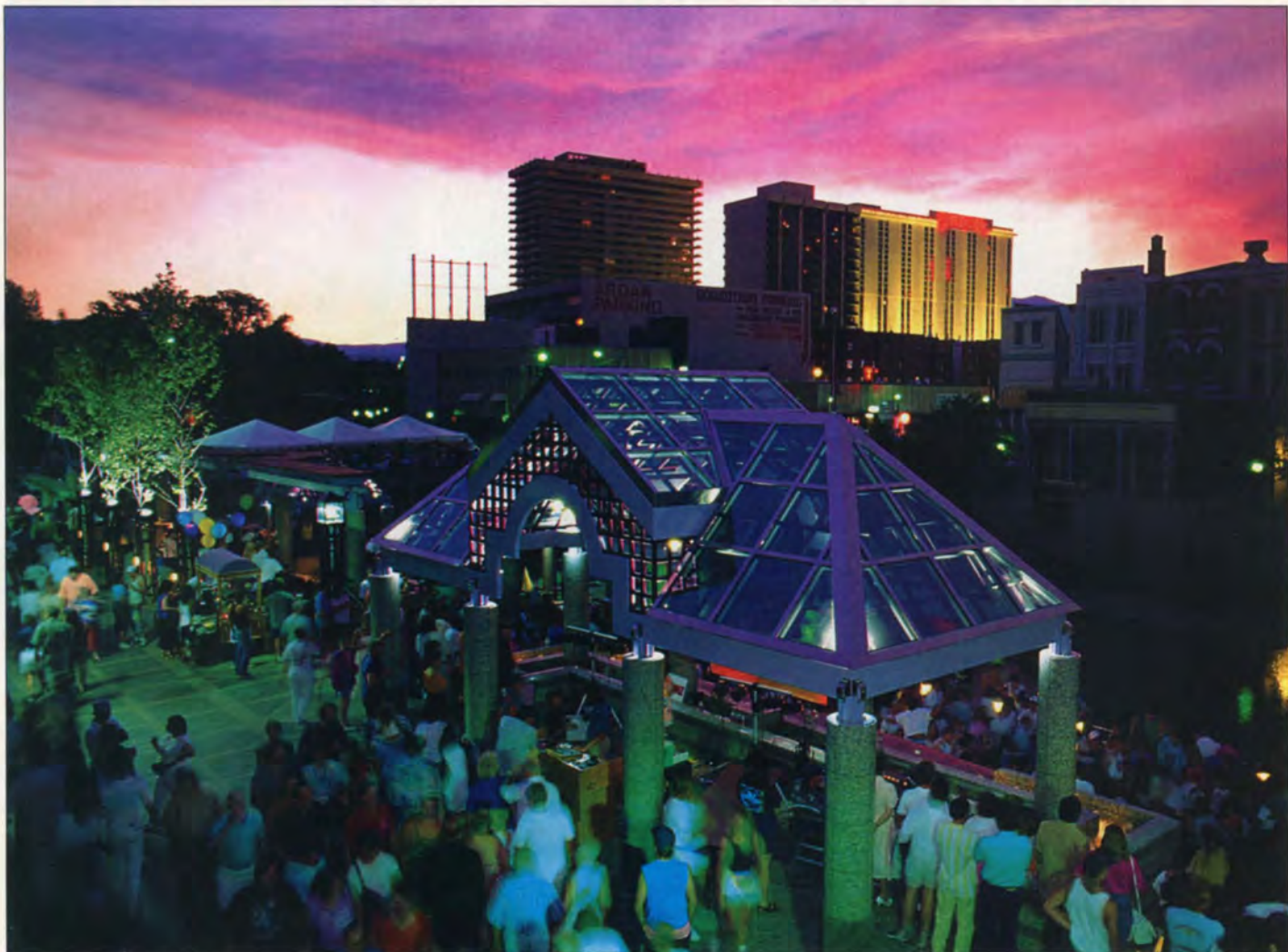
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Las Vegas

By Kate Butler

Charleston Uplift

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When the desert sizzles, local folks grab their lawn chairs and head for the balmy shores of Lake Mead. Along its Nevada shoreline, from Boulder City to Moapa Valley, there's easy access to large beaches where you can soak the day away

in the often ripple-free waters.

Because of the land's gentle slope into the lake, you can immerse yourself, chair and all, in the water. If you like action and people-watching, there's popular Boulder Beach or Hemenway Harbor, where tanned, lean bodies of both genders pound the ripples on windsurfer boards. If you prefer solitude, a Lake Mead map can lead you to the less populated spots that are often deserted on weekdays.

A T-shirt and sunscreen will help prevent unhealthy sunburns. A hat helps, too. For a map and other info, call the Alan Bible Visitor Center near Boulder City at 702-293-8906.

Reno-Tahoe

By Deborah Mawhar

Walk on the River Side

Downtown Reno's new River Walk invites passers-by to come and sit a spell by the Truckee. You can stroll along the River Walk's stone-paved walkway where street vendors offer refreshments or rest near a fountain where ducks and geese congregate.

On summer weekends there's a variety of entertainment, and on weekdays you can walk to the amphitheater, one block west of the River Walk in Wingfield Park, for Reno Municipal Band concerts at noontime.

The Raymond I. Smith Truckee River Walk, named for legendary Harolds Club operator Raymond I. "Pappy" Smith, is on the river's south bank between Virginia and Sierra streets. For event information, call 702-786-5105.

Wild at Heart

Reno's Sierra Safari is a wild experience—wild animal experience, that is. Visitors can see a zebra, lion cub, baboons, wallabies, and goats. Many can be fed and touched.

In the petting arena, mischievous deer untie shoelaces, and goats and pot-bellied pigs vie for tidbits of food from your hand (animal-food vending machines are nearby). Sierra Safari is adding new animals this season, including Capuchin



Sierra Safari's Evert Broderick greets D.B., now one year old. D.B. is said to be the first zebra born in Nevada.

monkeys, a baby baboon, and a baby black bear.

Sierra Safari is open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. from April 1 to October 31. Admission is \$4 adults, \$3 seniors, \$2 ages three to 12, and free for children under three. The Safari is eight miles north of downtown Reno at 10200 North Virginia Street; call 702-677-1101. □

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Shady Deals

Where to run for cover this summer.

By Richard Moreno

It's summertime, and the living isn't quite so easy. The mercury is rising into the uncomfortable zone, and even the cacti are looking for shade. If degrees were dollars, you'd be rich.

It's time to chill out.

Fortunately, there are plenty of places in Nevada where you can find a little piece of green and some shade. Following is a sampling of 10 such places—some of them literally in the middle of nowhere—where the air is cool and seldom is heard a discouraging word, even on the hottest day.



It's cool, green, and shady at historic Spring Mountain Ranch, a hideout for 19th-century horse thieves and now a state park.

1 Mount Charleston: Let's face it, it gets pretty darned hot in the summer in southern Nevada. And where do Las Vegans go to beat the heat? Often they make the 45-mile trip to Mount Charleston, where you can drive up to about 7,500 feet (a gain of 5,000 feet in elevation) and bask in cool temperatures of about 75 degrees (a drop of 25 degrees or more). With planning, heavy-duty hikers can get even cooler by trekking to the top of 11,912-foot Charleston Peak. Charleston also has forested mountain scenery and a couple of good restaurants.

2 Lorenzi Park: This peaceful refuge in Las Vegas has tall trees for shade, a duck pond for entertainment, the Nevada State Museum and Historical Society for enlightenment, an art museum and rose garden for beauty, and acres of green lawns for picnics. Two miles west of downtown on West Washington Avenue, Lorenzi Park almost makes you forget you're in the heart of a city of nearly a million people.

3 Spring Mountain Ranch: It was good enough for Howard Hughes, Vera Krupp, and Chester Lauck (the Lum of "Lum and Abner"), so it ought to be a pretty nice spread for the rest of us. Eighteen miles west of downtown Las Vegas in Red Rock Canyon, the ranch

dates back to the days of the Old Spanish Trail and later was owned by the aforementioned celebrities. Now it's a shady state park that hosts evening concerts and musicals in summer (see *Nevada Events*).

4 Reno's River Walk: The year-old Raymond I. Smith Truckee River Walk and adjoining Wingfield Park in downtown Reno make welcome retreats during the dog days of summer. A cool breeze off the Truckee, shady cottonwoods, fountains, and a cool drink from a sidewalk vendor may make you say, "Summer? What summer?"

5 Galena Creek: It's surprising that more people don't know about this county park with its waterfalls and trails that wind through the forest. Galena is 20 miles southwest of Reno on the Mount Rose Highway and perched on the edge of the Sierra.

6 Spooner Lake: While nearby Lake Tahoe gets more ink, tiny Spooner Lake, at the junction of U.S. 50 and State Route 28, is the true Sierra connoisseur's choice for beating the heat. There's no swimming at Spooner, but the state park has shaded picnic tables, catch-and-release trout fishing, and a 1.5-mile trail that circles the lake and visits

one of the area's oldest and prettiest aspen groves. Longer hiking trails lead to the Tahoe Rim Trail and Marlette Lake.

7 The Ione Town Park: Granted, it's obscure, but this park in the ghost town of Ione is a favorite of travelers who ply the roads between Austin and Berlin. The little oasis, with wrought-iron benches and a white picket fence, is quaint and tranquil. Indeed, after a visit to Berlin-Ichthyosaur State Park, there's nothing more relaxing than a picnic in the Ione park.

8 Walker Lake Country Club: Few nonlocals know about this surprising splash of greenery. The picturesque, military-built course at Hawthorne's ammunition depot has a clubhouse where you can admire the view from the patio and chuckle at the duffers suffering in the heat.

9 Rainbow Canyon: Located south of Caliente, idyllic Rainbow Canyon is a colorful corridor of cliffs and meadows. Although there are no developed picnic areas, you can find plenty of tree-covered spots to pull off the road alongside Meadow Valley Creek.

10 McGill Swimming Pool: Once, nearly every small town in America had a local swimming hole. Fortunately, the mill town of McGill near Ely still has an old-fashioned, tree-shaded park with tables, barbecues, and a pool dug right in the ground. Generations of locals have learned to swim in what is now the only public pool in White Pine County. After a picnic or swim you can visit the McGill Club, another popular old-time watering hole. □

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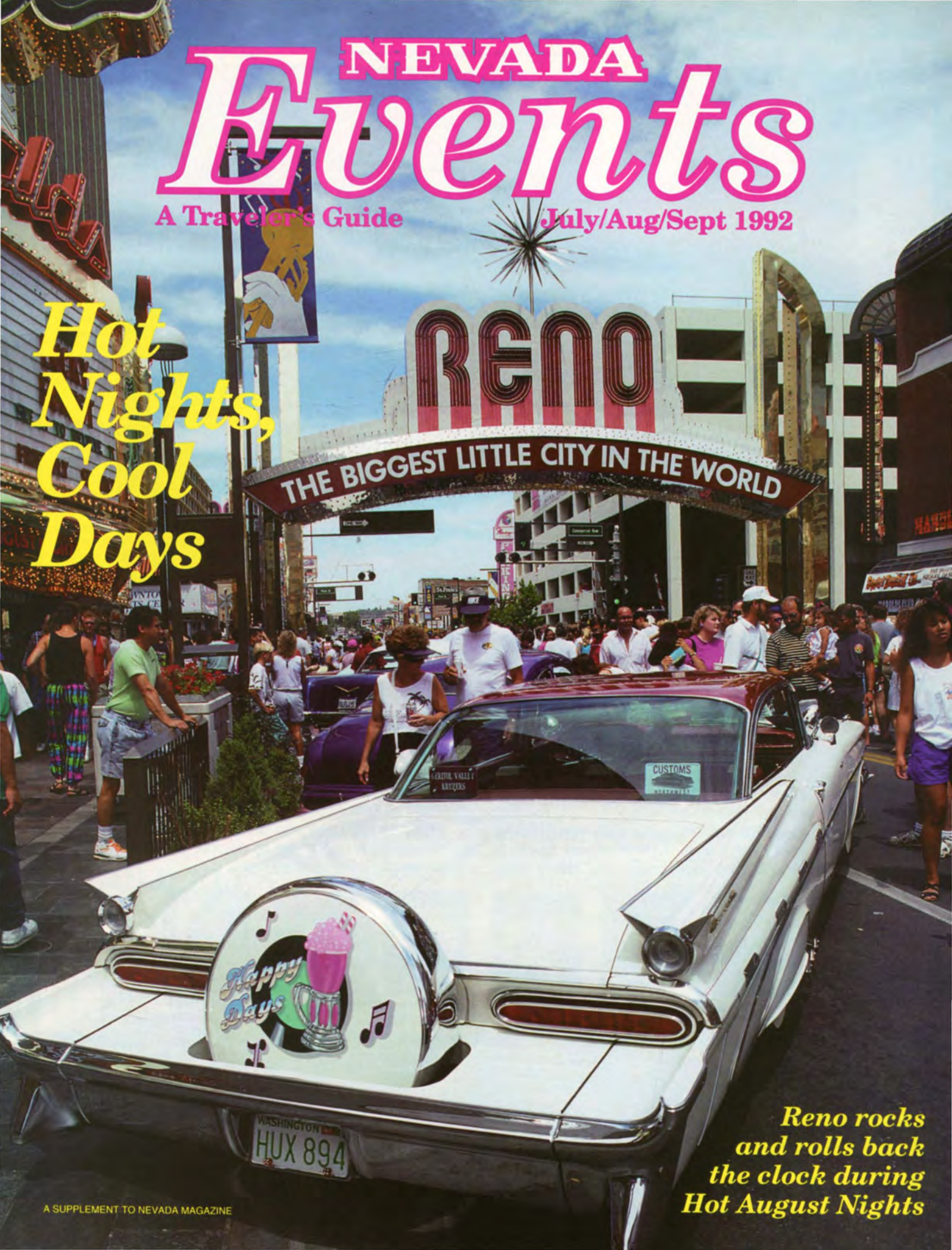


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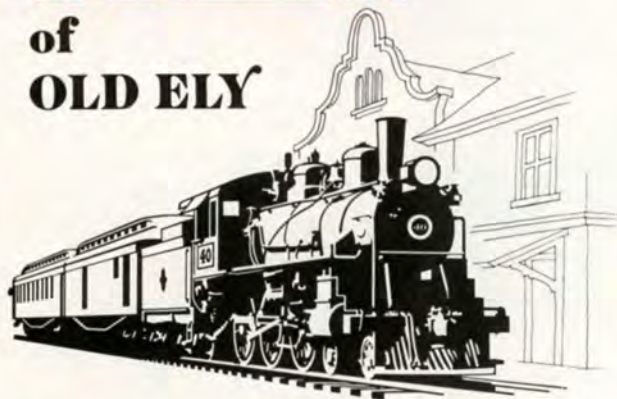
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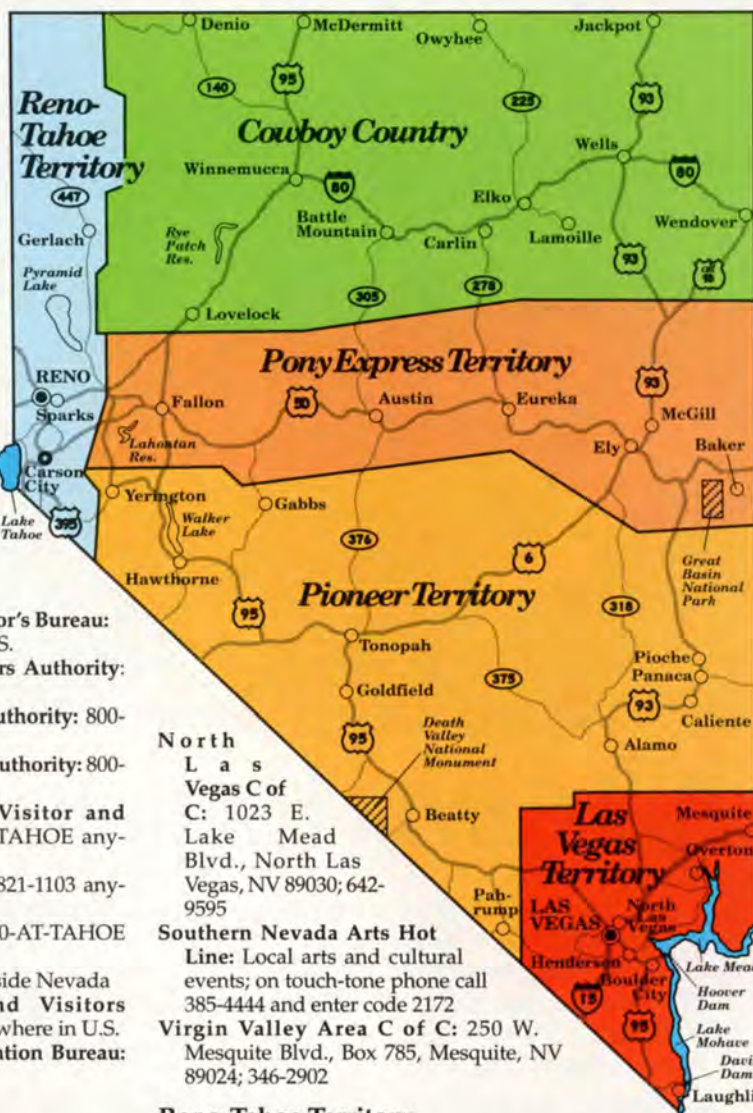
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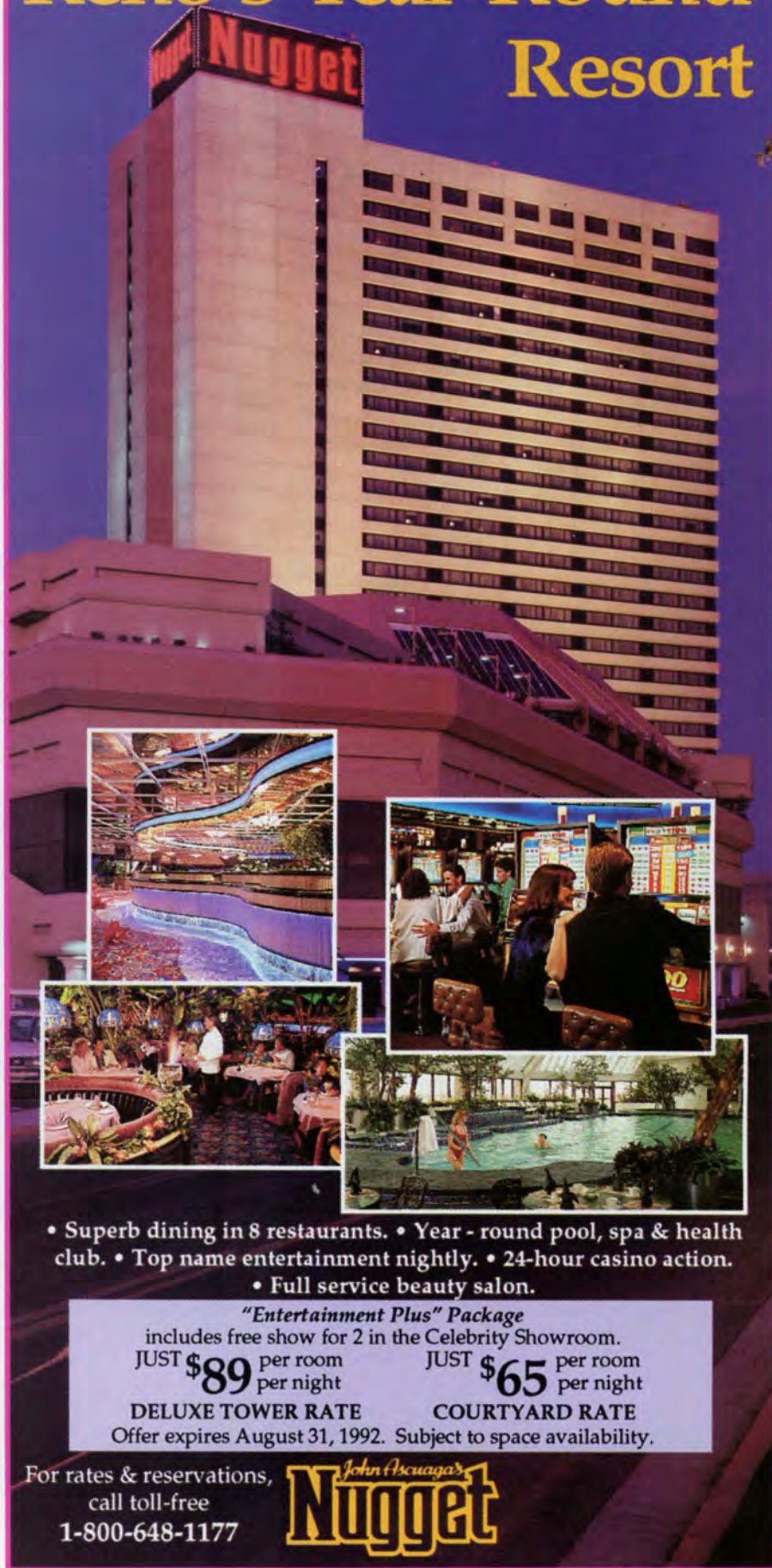
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A pro prize purse of \$30,000 will be

awarded to the top 10 male and female finishers in Las Vegas, plus the \$200,000 bonus pool in the season finale of the Coke Grand Prix competition.

Amateur athletes will compete in 27 age groups and relay divisions, including a new juniors division for 15- to 20-year-olds.

Registration for the event—officially called the Bud Light Triathlon Series Las Vegas Championship and World Cup—will remain open through Friday, September 25. Entry fees are \$75 for

individuals, \$30 for juniors, and \$95 for relay teams.

Registration and an expo will be held Friday at the Aladdin Hotel, headquarters for the event. The official bike inspection center will be Triathlete Sports and Cyclery on West Flamingo in Las Vegas.

For an entry form, race information, or training tips, call the 24-hour Multi-Sport Info Line at 619-221-5555. For general information, call Las Vegas Events at 702-731-2115.

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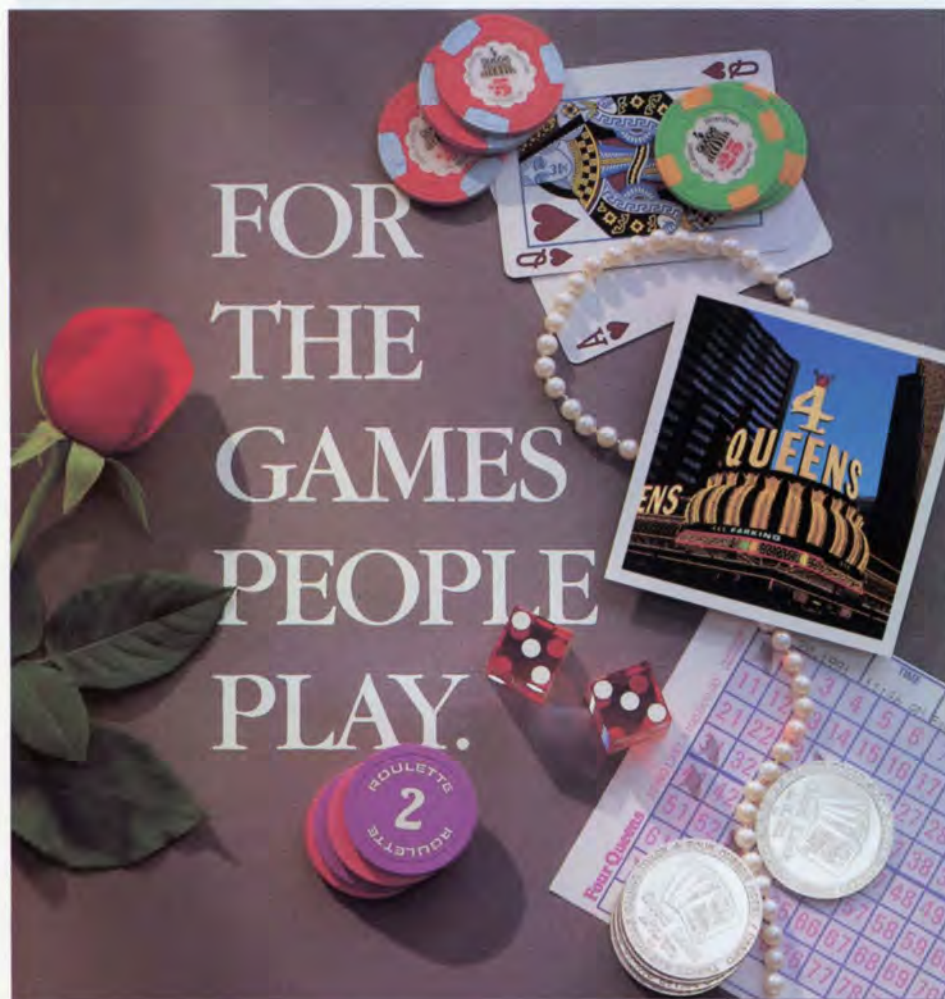


In southern Nevada, fall means beautiful weather that is still warm enough for evening carnival rides at the Las Vegas Jaycees State Fair on October 2-11.

American Quilt Festival/Discover America contest celebrating the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus' arrival in America; the Museum of Folk Art in New York has assembled 57 winning fabric drawings, Lied Discovery Children's Museum, 382-3445
Art Exhibit, thru 7/12, watercolors and photography, Clark County Library, 733-7810
Art Exhibit, thru 7/18, fiber art and metal-smithing by Vuillemot and Fricke, Charleston Heights Arts Center, 229-6383
Las Vegas History of Entertainment: Part II, thru 7/26, Las Vegas entertainment in the 1940s and 1950s, includes historic photographs and artifacts, Clark County

Heritage Museum, Henderson, 455-7955
A History of Mexicans in Southern Nevada Exhibition, thru 8/1, photo-documentary, Barrick Museum of Natural History, UNLV 739-3381
Ceramic Figures From Ancient Mexico, thru 8/1, small ceramic figures created about 2,000 years ago on the West Coast of Mexico, Barrick Museum of Natural History, UNLV 739-3381
Andrew Jackson Grayson: Birds of Mexico Exhibit, thru 8/1, bird portraits, full-scale facsimiles of the surviving paintings of A.J. Grayson from the 1850s, Barrick Museum of Natural History, UNLV 739-3381

Alfred J. Quiroz: Presidential Series, 6/29-7/26, the Arizona artist investigates war and prejudice through his artwork, Nevada Institute for Contemporary Art, UNLV 739-3751
Black-and-White Photography Exhibit, 6/30-8/2, photos by Lance Cheung, Spring Valley Library, 368-4411
Seattle Mime Theatre, 7/1, Winchester Community Center, 455-7340
Art Exhibit, 7/1-31, paintings and handmade paper by Bernice Breedlove and Maria Wurtz of Overton, Lost City Museum, Overton, 397-2193
Art Exhibit, 7/1-8/22, sculptures in steel and mixed media by Josh Rosencranz, reception 5-7pm on 7/1, Sunrise Library, 453-1104
Beach Bash '92, 7/1-9/2, every Wed. and on 7/4, beach party with radio remote music, volleyball, food, games, Harrah's Laughlin, Laughlin, 298-4600
World Junior Frisbee Competition, 7/2, local youths compete in Frisbee disc contests to qualify for regional, national, and world-wide games, Robison Community School, 459-0201
"Oliver," 7/2-3, musical, Actors Repertory Theatre, gates open at 6pm for picnicking, performance starts at 8pm, tickets available at the gate, Starlight Pavilion at the Clark County Library, 647-SHOW
USSSA "All Nighter" Softball Tournament, 7/3-4, Mesquite City Ballfields, Mesquite, 346-5996, 346-5997, or 346-5080
Boulder City Damboree and July Fourth Celebration, 7/4, parade, pancake breakfast, park program, band concert, food and game booths, children's activities, ball games, fireworks, Central Park and downtown Boulder City, 293-2034
Nevada Symphony Fourth of July Family Pops, 7/4, concert featuring Broadway show tunes and American classics, free apple pie and ice cream, 1pm, Cashman Field, 736-6656
Mountain Top Shootout, 7/4-5, mountain bike race includes cross-country race, observed trials, uphill and downhill time trial, and dual slalom downhill race, Mountain Top Bicycles, Lee Canyon Ski Resort, Mount Charleston, 252-0646, 368-3910, or 800-USA-2MTB
Nevada Easter Seal Society Root Beer Float Promotion, 7/4-25, every Sat., Smith's supermarkets, benefit for Nevada Easter Seal Society, 739-7771
NASCAR Stock Cars, 7/4, 7/10, and 7/18, Las Vegas Speedway International, 643-3333
Art Exhibits, 7/5-26, photo paintings and raku ceramics by Jeff Ditoro, Southwestern portraits by Ernie Bulow, and watercolors by Sharon Graf, reception on 7/5 from noon-3pm, Las Vegas Art Museum, 647-4300
Art-A-Fair '92, 7/7-8/23, touring exhibit from the 18th annual Art-A-Fair '92 juried art competition, West Las Vegas Library, 647-2118
The Make Believe Brass, 7/8, professional brass quintet performs classical, jazz, and pop favorites in an informal and comedic concert, 1, 3, and 7:30pm, Winchester Center, 455-7340
"Dames at Sea," 7/8-11, 7/15-18, and 7/22-25, musical production performed on a stage outdoors in a meadow, bring lawn chair and supper, gates open at 6pm, production 8-



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10pm, tickets \$2-\$5, children six and under free, Super Summer Theatre, Spring Mountain Ranch State Park, 18 miles west of Las Vegas, 594-PLAY

Children's Summer Concert Series, 7/8-29, every Wed., Charleston Heights Arts Center, 229-6383

Charity Golf and Blackjack Tournament, 7/10-11, golf tournament at Angel Park Golf Course on Fri., blackjack tournament on Sat. at Continental Hotel, 737-5555 ext. 647

Melodrama in the City Parks, 7/10-19, on 7/10 and 7/19 at Jaycee Park, on 7/11 and 7/17 at Lorenzi Park, on 7/12 and 7/18 at Angel Park, 8pm, 229-6383

Children's Summer Concert Series, 7/10-31, every Thurs., Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 229-6211

An Evening at the Movies: 1950s, 7/11, feature film and short takes from the 1950s, 7-10pm, Clark County Heritage Museum's Depot Theater, Henderson, 455-7955

Autocross, 7/11, Sports Car Club of America Las Vegas Region, Hughes Air Terminal Overflow Parking Area, 873-1926

Adaptive Racquetball Challenge, 7/11, wheelchair athletes, Stewart-Mojave Sports Center, 229-6297

NHRA Drag Racing, 7/11 and 7/25, Las Vegas Speedway International, 643-3333

Moonlight Madness: Country 'n' Blues Concerts, 7/11, music by Stetson and Boogieman Blues Band, 6-10pm, \$4 adults, \$3 seniors and students, children 12 and under free, tickets available at gate, Starlight Pavilion at the Clark County Library, 733-3613

Las Vegas '92: Laurel and Hardy Convention, 7/12-16, trivia contests, seminars, theme banquets, booths, Laurel and Hardy Cinema, slot tourney, Stan Laurel Putt-Putt Contest, Oliver Hardy Golf Tournament, and celebrity panel with actors and actresses who costarred in Laurel and Hardy's movies, headquarters at Palace Station Hotel, for more information and tickets call 367-8313

Art Exhibits, 7/14-9/20, lithographs and monoprints by New York artist Shashu Smaka, and slide show sponsored by the

Nevada Camera Club, Clark County Library, 733-7810

Arts and Crafts Show, 7/17-19, Cashman Field Center, 386-7100

All-You-Can-Eat Ice Cream Feast, 7/18, third annual, sponsored by the Nevada School of the Arts, \$2.50 advanced admission, \$3 at gate, children 3 and under free, continuous entertainment, 11am-3pm, Hills Park at Summerlin, 739-3502

Concerts Under the Stars, 7/18, Rodolfo Fernandez and the Nevada Chamber Symphony, 8-10pm, free, Starlight Pavilion at the Clark County Library, 733-7810

Agustin Lira and Alma, 7/22, composer, playwright, poet, and musician Agustin Lira with the musical group Alma blends Mexican, Afro-Latin, American folk, and contemporary styles in concert, songs are performed in both Spanish and English, 1, 3, and 7:30pm, Winchester Community Center, 455-7340

Railroad Pass Hot Chili Cook-Off Annual Bash at the Pass, 7/25-26, Railroad Pass Casino celebrates 61 years in business by

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Lou's Blues

By JACKIE BRETT

Whether he's singing or speaking, that deep, rich baritone voice is unmistakable. You know it's Lou Rawls.

At 56, Rawls has been singing most of his life—at age seven he sang in a church choir on the south side of Chicago. After graduation from Dunbar Trade Technical High School, he joined the touring gospel group, the Pilgrim Travelers.

In 1959 Rawls got his first big break while performing at Pandora's Box Coffee Shop in Los Angeles. A producer from Capitol Records heard him sing and signed him to a contract. He recorded his first album in 1966, "Lou Rawls Lives," which went gold, and he's been working ever since. Rawls' distinctive voice even earned him a Grammy in 1982 for the song "Here Comes Garfield," one of his numerous vocal contributions to the animated feline's TV specials.

Rawls, a three-time Grammy winner, credits God for the voice, but his benevolent attitude toward life came after a car accident in the '50s. He slipped into a coma for five and a half days and suffered memory loss for three months.



Lou Rawls brings it on home to Las Vegas with performances in July and October

"I got a new life out of that. I saw a lot of reasons to live," he says. "I began to learn acceptance, direction, understanding, and perception—all the elements that had been sadly lacking in my life. I might have lived long enough to learn all this in the long haul, but I would have just been another soul taking up time and space."

As corporate spokesman for Anheuser Busch, he started the "Lou Rawls Parade of Stars" telethon to benefit the United Negro College Fund, raising more than \$100 million for the orga-

nization since the telethon began in 1980. Rawls never went to college, but he enjoys giving the opportunity to others—a spirit that has earned him five honorary doctorates.

Last summer Rawls also started a blues festival in Chicago, "Bring It on Home." "We put up a stage where the Regal Theatre used to be, and 15,000 people showed up," he says.

His latest album in progress—he's not sure if it's his 63rd or 64th—is comprised of the old blues standards and features performances by a few of his friends including Lionnel Hampton, Joe Williams, Hank Crawford, Gladys Knight, Nancy Wilson, Bonnie Raitt, and U2.

Rawls, known for such hits as "Natural Man," "Bring It on Home," and "Tobacco Road," also performs about 200 concerts a year all over the world, even in non-English-speaking countries.

"The people don't speak the language, but they know the music," he says. "They even sing along with me."

In Las Vegas Rawls will be performing at the Golden Nugget in July and October.

"I like the smaller clubs. There's more communication with the audience," he says. "Vegas is the only place you can work where you get a variety of people from all over the world. It's a true evaluation of what people think of you."

Lou Rawls appears at the Golden Nugget July 23-28 and October 22-27

Jackie Brett is an entertainment critic and the Las Vegas manager for the Nevada Commission on Tourism.

hosting slot tournaments and chili cook-off, Henderson, 294-5000, 387-5000, or 800-628-6682

American Road Racing Assn. Races, 7/25-26, Las Vegas Speedway International, 643-3333

Greek Food Festival, 7/26, Greek dancing, bands, and cuisine, 11am-10pm, by St. John's Greek Orthodox Church, Sahara Hotel, 382-2750

Summer Fest 1992, 7/26, blues bands performances, outdoors, Lee Canyon Ski Area, 593-9500

The Chenille Sisters, 7/29, musical trio, 1, 3, and 7:30pm, \$1, Winchester Center, 455-7340

"Friday Knight at the Fights," 7/31, public demonstration featuring some of the best fight choreography from the National Stage Combat Workshop (7/13-31), ranges from theatrical wrestling to swashbuckling sword fights, 8pm, Judy Bayley Theatre, UNLV 739-3801 or 739-3662

City Host "C" Softball Tournament, 7/31, Mesquite City Ballfields, Mesquite, 346-5996, 346-5997, or 346-5080

Antique and Collectible Show and Sale, 7/31-8/2, Jackie Gaughan's Plaza Hotel, 382-7043

Western Arts, Crafts, and Jewelry Show, 7/31-8/3, Las Vegas Convention Center, 733-2323

August

All-City Competitive Swim Meet, 8/1, free to spectators, Las Vegas Municipal Pool, 229-6310

Moonlight Madness: Country 'n' Blues Concerts, 8/1, music by Stetson and Boogiemane Blues Band, 6-10pm, \$4 adults, \$3 seniors and students, children 12 and under free, tickets available at gate, Starlight Pavilion at the Clark County Library, 733-3613

NASCAR Stock Cars, 8/1, 8/15, 8/21, and 8/26, Las Vegas Speedway International, 643-3333

Art Exhibit, 8/1-31, artwork by Boulder City Art Guild members, Lost City Museum, Overton, 397-2193 or 293-2138

Desert Treasures Exhibit, 8/1-10/24, photographic exhibit of Great Basin mining railroads, plus mineral specimens and historic objects from the museum's Heritage Gallery, Clark County Heritage Museum, 455-7955

Art Exhibits, 8/2-30, oils, watercolor, and mixed media by various artists, Columbus the Moor exhibit coordinated by Rachel Juipe, reception 8/2 from noon-3pm, Las Vegas Art Museum, 647-4300

All-City Water Polo Meet, 8/5, free to spectators, Baker Park Swimming Pool, 229-6310

"Annie," 8/5-8, 8/12-15, and 8/19-22, musical production performed on an outdoor stage in a meadow, bring lawn chair and supper, gates open at 6pm, production 8-10pm, tickets \$2-\$5, children six and under free, Super Summer Theatre, Spring Mountain Ranch State Park, 18 miles west of Las Vegas, 594-PLAY

All-City Synchronized Swim Meet, 8/7-8, free to spectators, Cragin Pool, 229-6310

Home Remodeling and Decorating Show, 8/7-9, Cashman Field, 434-4444

Concerts Under the Stars, 8/8, Rodolfo Fernandez and the Nevada Chamber Symphony, 8-10pm, free, Starlight Pavilion at the Clark County Library, 733-7810

Summer Orchestra Performance, 8/8, spon-

PREVIEW

Another Fine Mess

BY KAROL ANN BARNETT

If Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy could see this July's convention in their honor in Las Vegas, they'd be proud. Stanley would scratch his head and blink, Ollie would twiddle his tie. They'd help the convention dissolve into a slapstick riot.

Members of the Sons of the Desert, the official fan club of Laurel and Hardy will march into the Palace Station for their eighth annual convention, "Las Vegas '92," July 12-16.

"It's not your average convention," said convention organizer Sharry Han of Las Vegas.

That's an understatement. The convention includes the Laurel and Hardy Olympics at a nearby amusement center, featuring the Stan Laurel Putt-Putt Contest and the Oliver Hardy Golf Tournament.

Stan and Ollie won't be the only stars at this gala. There will also be a celebrity panel of actors and actresses who co-starred in Laurel and Hardy movies. This year's special guests include Diosa Costello, Della Lind, Tommy "Butch" Bond (of the *Our Gang* comedies), Vera Ralston, Anthony Caruso, and Stan's daughter, Lois Laurel Hawes.

sored by City of Las Vegas Parks and Recreation, Cashman Field, 799-6706 or 386-6511

NHRA Drag Racing, 8/8, 8/22, and 8/29, Las Vegas Speedway International, 643-3333

Las Vegas Region Sports Car Club of America Autocross, 8/8, Hughes Air Terminal Overflow Parking, 873-1926

American Road Racing Assn. Races, 8/8-9, Las Vegas Speedway International, 643-3333

All-City Diving Meet, 8/11, free to spectators, Garside Pool, 229-6310

All-City Synchronized Swim Show, 8/13, Garside Pool, 229-6310

"Carousel," 8/13-15, 8/20-22, and 8/27-29,



Fans of the late actors Stan Laurel (left) and Oliver Hardy gather in Las Vegas for their eighth annual convention July 12-16.

A video presentation will honor director Hal Roach, who propelled Laurel and Hardy to fame, highlighting the history of Hal Roach Studios. Roach is 100 years old. Hardy would also have turned 100 this year.

Trivia contests, seminars, theme banquets, and dealers' tables with Laurel and Hardy memorabilia are scheduled during the convention.

Of course, there will be movies. "We'll have the Laurel and Hardy Cinema that'll run pretty much around the clock," Han said. The movies are presented in rare 16mm film footage on the big screen, the way they were meant to be shown.

"Laurel and Hardy's appeal is ageless and universal," Han said.

Day passes to the convention are \$25. The pass gets you into the dealers' room and the Cinema. Ticket prices vary for the celebrity banquets. For more information, call Han at 702-367-8313.

Karol Ann Barnett is a Las Vegas-based freelance writer and Laurel and Hardy fan.

musical, Actors Repertory Theatre, gates open at 6pm for picnicking, performance starts at 8pm, tickets available at the gate, Starlight Pavilion at the Clark County Library, 647-SHOW

Weekend of Magic, 8/21-23, magicians perform in the casino, Harrah's Laughlin, Laughlin, 298-4600

Hoop Shoot Contest, 8/22, free to spectators, Stewart-Mojave Sports Center, 229-6563

Concert Fantasy '92, 8/22-23, Fern Adair Conservatory of the Arts production of ballet, jazz, tap, gymnastics, and music featuring hundreds of conservatory performers, 7pm Sat., 2pm Sun., benefit for the Make-A-

Wish Foundation, Cashman Theatre, 458-7575

Nevada Biennial Art Competition, 8/22-9/28, juried competition and showcase of art from across the state, Nevada State Museum and Historical Society, 329-3333

Summer Fest 1992, 8/23, blues bands performances, outdoors, Lee Canyon Ski Area, 593-9500

New York Photographers of the Eighties, 8/25-9/28, free, Donna Beam Fine Art Gallery, 739-3893

Feast of San Gennaro, 8/27-9/7 13th annual, ethnic food with an emphasis on Italian, Strip entertainers, free entertainment, celebrity guests, beauty pageants, booths, dancing, and games, 6pm-midnight, at the rear of Bally's Hotel at the southwest corner of Flamingo and Koval Lane, 735-1776

Doctors v. Lawyers Softball Tournament, 8/29, third annual, benefits University Medical Center's Children's Miracle Network, Cashman Field, 383-2326

Gymnastics Exhibition, 8/31, free to spectators, Stewart-Mojave Sports Center, 229-6563

September

Art Exhibit, 9/1-30, artwork by Marion Brinker of Overton, Lost City Museum, Overton, 397-2193

Red Army Orchestra and Chorus, 9/2, Ham Hall, UNLV 597-4039

Las Vegas-Clark County Library District 10th Annual Chili Cook-Off, 9/5, sample chili and salsa, cooks compete for \$1,500 in prizes, live entertainment, Miss Chili Pepper and Mr. Hot Stuf contests, noon-5pm, \$5 adults, children 12 and under free, tickets available at gate, Clark County Library, 382-3493

Labor Day Weekend Bench Press Only Competition, 9/5, free to spectators, Doolittle Community Center, 229-6374

NASCAR Stock Cars, 9/5-7 9/19, and 9/25, Las Vegas Speedway International, 643-3333

Clark County Fall Art Roundup, 9/6-27 judged and juried mixed media show, reception 9/6 from noon-3pm, Las Vegas Art Museum, 647-4300

"Hello, Dolly!" 9/10-12, 9/17-29, and 9/24-26, musical, Actors Repertory Theatre, gates open at 6pm for picnicking, performance starts at 7:30pm, tickets available at the gate, Starlight Pavilion at the Clark County Library, 647-SHOW

Ceramic Show, 9/11-13, 28th annual, demonstrations, displays, sales, Nevada State Ceramic Assn., Cashman Field Center, 361-0294

Rock 'n' Roll Treasure Hunt, 9/12, for ages 16 and over, preregister by 9/9, 2pm, Clark County Parks and Recreation, 455-8200

Las Vegas Region Sports Car Club of America Autocross, 9/12, Hughes Air Terminal Overflow Parking, 873-1926

Nevada Symphony Picnic Pops Concert, 9/12, outdoor concert featuring jazz great Carl Fontana, UNLV campus, 736-6656

NHRA Drag Racing, 9/12, Las Vegas Speedway International, 643-3333

Ho'olaule'a Pacific Islands Festival '92, 9/12-13, festival honoring the Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders, includes booths with foods of the Pacific Basin, boutique booths with tropical and exotic fashions, continuous live

entertainment from 11am-6pm, Hawaiian music and dance, 1992 Royal Court, arts and crafts booths, open to all, Lorenzi Park, 739-1436

World's Oldest Waterski Race, 9/12-13, Lake Mead, 293-3505

Miss Venezuela Pageant, 9/14, television taping for international broadcast from Caesars Palace, 731-7324

Fall Home Show, 9/18-20, Convention Center, 732-1899

Mexican Fiesta, 9/19, the city of Las Vegas' annual salute to Mexican Independence Day includes games, piñatas, face painting, Mexican music, magic show and swim-

ming, families welcome, Hadland Park, 229-6297

Annual Golf Scholarship Invitational, 9/19, proceeds go to scholarship fund for the Las Vegas Hawaiian Civic Club, prizes and trophies, all nationalities are invited, Sahara Country Club, 739-1436

Annual Harvest Fiesta, 9/19-20, arts and crafts, food, games, entertainment, outside the Las Vegas Art Museum, 647-4300

Sports Car Club of America Meet, 9/19-20, Las Vegas Speedway International, 643-3333

"Oklahoma," 9/24-27 and 9/30-10/4, University Theatre, 8pm, 2pm Sun., Judy Bayley Theatre, UNLV 739-3801

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Vintage Auto Racing Association Meet, 9/26-27, Las Vegas Speedway International, 643-3333

Clark County Basque Festival, 9/26-27 361-6834

"Seeing the Unseen, Photographs by Harold E. Edgerton," 9/27-11/8, Edgerton pioneered the field of ultra-high-speed photography and invented the strobe flash, Lied Discovery Children's Museum, 382-3445

COMING EVENTS

Las Vegas Jaycees State Fair, 10/2-11, 457-8832
Art in the Park, 10/3-4, Boulder City, 293-2034
Clark County Basque Festival, 10/3-4, 361-6834

Las Vegas Invitational, PGA golf, 10/7-11, 673-4653 or 645-3594

Railroad and Transportation Days, 10/9-11, Henderson, 459-5510

North Las Vegas Fairshow and Hot-Air Balloon Races, 10/23-25, 642-1944

National Finals Rodeo, 12/4-13, Las Vegas, 739-3900

SHOWGUIDE

Las Vegas

Aladdin, 736-0240: "Alakazam," indf. (dark Tues.); "Sex Over 40," revue, indf. (dark Sat.-Sun.); "Comedy Underground," comedy club, indf. (dark Mon.)

Bally's, 739-4567 or 800-237-SHOW: *Celebrity Room:* Engelbert Humperdinck, thru 7/1; George Carlin, 7/2-15; Louie Anderson/Rita Rudner, 7/23-29; The Righteous Brothers, 7/30-8/12; Tom Jones, 8/13-26; George Carlin, 8/27-9/2; *Ziegfeld Theatre:* "Jubilee!" indf. (dark Wed.); *Catch a Rising Star:* comedy/variety club, indf., featuring Larry Amoros, Sammy Guttman, and Don Barnhart, 6/30-7/6

Barbary Coast, 737-7200: Entertainment TBA
Bourbon Street, 737-7200: Entertainment TBA

Caesars Palace, 731-7333 or 800-445-4544: Reba McEntire, 7/9-12; David Copperfield, 7/14-27; Jay Leno, 7/30-8/2; Olivia Newton-John, 8/6-9; Johnny Mathis, 9/24-27

Circus Circus, 734-0410: Free circus acts, 11am-midnight

Continental, 737-5555: Nightly entertainment
Dunes, 737-4741: Entertainment TBA

El Rancho, 796-2222: Entertainment TBA

Excalibur, 597-7600: "King Arthur's Tournament," indf.; "The Wonderful World of Horses," starring the Royal Lippizaner Stallions, indf. (dark Fri.)

Fitzgeralds, 382-6111: Nightly entertainment
Flamingo Hilton, 733-3333 or 800-732-2111: "City Lites," stage spectacular, indf. (dark Sun.)

Four Queens, 385-4011: Frank Sinatra, Jr., 6/30-7/12; Monday Night Jazz, indf.

Gold Coast, 367-7111: Sorta Dixie Jazz Band,



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indf.; State of the Art, thru 7/5; Angel Star, thru 7/6; Don Holiman and the CBS Band, thru 7/6; Gary Hohman, 7/8-20

Gold Strike Inn, Boulder City 293-5000: Entertainment TBA

Golden Nugget, 386-8100: Melissa Manchester, 7/2-6; Bobby Vinton, 7/9-13; Don Rickles, 7/16-20; Lou Rawls, 7/23-28; The Smothers Brothers, 7/30-8/11

Hacienda, 739-8911: Lance Burton: "A Magical Journey," indf.

Harrah's Las Vegas, 369-5222 or 800-634-6787 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): Entertainment TBA

Imperial Palace, 794-3261: "Legends in Concert," indf. (dark Sun.)

Jackie Gaughan's Plaza, 386-2444: "Bedfull of Foreigners," starring James MacArthur, comedy, indf.

Lady Luck, 477-3000 or 800-523-9582 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): "Cabaret Circus," indf. (dark Thurs.)

Las Vegas Hilton, 732-5755 or 800-222-5361: Hall and Oates, thru 7/5; Don Williams/Juice Newton, 7/7-19; Roseanne and Tom Arnold, 7/21-26

Main Street Station, 387-1896 or 800-782-9966 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): Rosie O'Grady's Goodtime Jazz Band, The Last of the Red Hot Mamas, and Can Can Dancers, (dark Tues.)

Maxim, 731-4300 or 800-634-6987: "Comedy Cabaret," revue, indf. (dark Sun.)

The Mirage, 792-7777: Siegfried and Roy magic spectacular, performances three out of four weeks every month, call for dates and times

O'Shea, 733-3111: Entertainment TBA

Palace Station, 367-2411 or 800-634-3101: New Orleans Jazz Band, 6/30-7/5; Second Wind/New Orleans Jazz Band, 7/7-12 and 7/14-19; Sam Butera, 7/21, 7/28, 8/4, 8/5-9, and 8/11; Sam Butera/Winchester Cathedral, 7/22-26 and 7/29-8/2; Winchester Cathedral, 7/27 and 8/3; Danny Gale, 8/5-9, 8/10, and 8/17; Sam Butera/Danny Gale, 8/5-9 and 8/12-16; Sneak Preview, 8/18-23; Jerry Tiffe, 8/24; Gary and Sandy 8/25; Gary and Sandy/Sunspots, 8/26-30; Sunspots, 8/31;

Ramada Hotel San Remo, 739-9000 or 800-522-REMO (U.S.), 800-343-5521 (Canada): Geno Munari's "Hanky Panky," Parisian cabaret, thru 7/31

Red Garter, 664-2111: Comedy night every Mon.; live music Tues.-Sun.

Rio Suite Hotel, 252-7776 or 800-888-0400 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): "Tropical Heat," review, indf. (dark Thurs.)

Riviera, 794-9424: Jeff Kutash's "Splash," production show, indf.; "Crazy Girls: Fantasie de Paris," revue, indf.; "An Evening at La Cage," revue, indf. (dark Tues.); "An Evening at the Improv," comedians, indf.

Sahara, 737-2515: Rich Little's "Copycats," indf. (dark Thurs.)

Sam Boyd's Fremont, 385-3232 or 800-634-6460 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): Entertainment TBA

Sam's Town, 456-7777: Live entertainment nightly

Sands, 733-5453 or 800-446-4678: Melinda, First Lady of Magic and her Follies Revue, indf. (dark Mon.); "Viva Las Vegas!" indf. (dark Sat.-Sun.)

Santa Fe, 658-4900: Dummkopfs, Tues. nights

Showboat, 385-9190: In the Mood, 7/1-26; Gigolo, 7/28-8/23; David St. David, 8/25-9/13; Sidros Armada, 9/15-10/4

Stardust, 732-6111 or 800-824-6033 (U.S. and Mexico): "Enter the Night," revue, indf. (dark Tues.)

Stars' Desert Inn, 733-4566 or 800-634-6909 (anywhere in U.S. outside Nevada): Steve Lawrence and Eydie Gorme, 7/1-5; Dean Martin, 7/15-19; Shirley MacLaine, 8/5-9; Paul Anka, 8/19-23; Liza Minnelli, 9/2-6; Ray Charles/George Kirby, 9/9-13; Steve Lawrence and Eydie Gorme, 9/16-20

Tropicana, 739-2411: "Folies Bergere," indf. (dark Thurs.); "Comedy Stop," comedians, indf.

Vacation Village, 897-1700: Comics on Vacation, indf. (dark Thurs.)

Vegas World, 383-5264: Marty Allen and Steve Rossi, indf. (dark Thurs.); Memories of Elvis starring E.P. King and Reflections of Sinatra starring Duke Hazlett alternate, indf.

Westward Ho, 731-2900: Paul Delicato/Liz Damon, indf. (dark Sun.)

Laughlin

Colorado Belle, 298-4000: "Bourbon Street Review," indf.; Big Band Bash every Sun.

Edgewater, 298-2453: Entertainment TBA

Flamingo Hilton Laughlin, 298-5162 or 800-626-2365: "American Superstars," tribute by celebrity look-alikes to legendary rock 'n' roll stars, indf. (dark Thurs.)

Gold River, 298-2242 or 800-835-7904: Sandy Hackett's Comedy Club, indf. (dark Sun.-



Ceramic figures created about 2,000 years ago on the west coast of Mexico are on display at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Tues.), featuring T.C. Tahoe/Gene Merola, 7/1-4; Andrea Walker/Glen Super, 7/8-11; Doug Starks/Max Dolecelli, 7/15-18; Joan Fagen/Kenny Davis, 7/22-25; Milo Tremly/Alan Profit, 7/29-8/1; Bernie

McGranahan/Roger Peltz, 8/5-8; Larry Miles/Jeff Valdez, 8/12-15; Richard Carter/Chas Elstner, 8/19-22; Steve Corbitt/Barry Diamond, 8/26-29; Scott Henry/Rex Merideth, 9/2-6; Lowell Sanders, 9/9-12

Harrah's Laughlin, 298-4600 or 800-447-8700: Beach Bash '92 (live music), every Wed. 7/1-8/26

Ramada Express, 298-4200: Karaoke Night every Mon. from 7pm-midnight

Regency, 298-2439: Piano bar

Riverside Resort, 298-2535 or 800-227-3849 ext. 616: Entertainment TBA

Mesquite

Peppermill Resort, 346-5232: Entertainment TBA

Virgin River, 346-7777: Entertainment Tues.-Sun.

Stateline/Jean

Gold Strike Hotel, Jean, 477-5000: The Edge, 6/30-7/19; Brown and Diamond, 7/21-8/9; Tomato, 8/11-30; Sound Chaser, 9/1-20; The Edge, 9/22-11/11

Nevada Landing, Jean, 387-5000: Facade, 7/7-20; The Edge, 7/21-8/10; Sound Chaser, 8/11-31; Brown and Diamond, 9/1-21; Metro, 9/22-10/2

Primadonna, Stateline, 382-1212 or 800-367-7383: country music entertainers, dancing (dark Mon.-Wed.)

Whiskey Pete's, Stateline, 382-1212 or 800-367-7383: Live entertainment nightly

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GAMING TOURNAMENTS

July

Slots, 6/30-7/2, Ramada Express, Laughlin, 298-6250

Keno, 7/3-6, Continental, 737-5555

Slots, 7/5-7 and 7/12-14, Flamingo Hilton, 800-HILTONS

Slots, 7/6-9, Stardust, 732-6111

Slots, 7/7-8, Continental, 737-5555 ext. 5350

Blackjack, 7/10-11, Riviera, 794-9571 or 800-437-7951

Blackjack, 7/10-11 and 7/14-15, Continental, 737-5555 ext. 647

Craps, 7/10-12, Imperial Palace, 794-3160

Video Poker, 7/12-14, Tropicana, 739-2546 or 800-521-8767

Keno, 7/14-16, Sam Boyd's Fremont, 634-6460 ext. 6686

Slots, 7/15-18, Harrah's Las Vegas, 369-5123 or 800-22-VEGAS

Craps, 7/17-20, Four Queens, 385-4011 or 800-634-6045

Slots, 7/20-22, Binion's Horseshoe, 382-1600

Slots, 7/23-26, Hacienda, 739-8911 ext. 8631

Slots, 7/24-26, Riviera, 734-5110 or 800-637-5687

Blackjack, 7/31-8/1, Hacienda, 739-8911 ext. 8631

August

Keno, 8/1-11, Four Queens, 385-4011 or 800-634-6045

Keno, 8/3-8, Continental, 737-5555

Slots, 8/4-7, Ramada Express Casino, Laughlin, 298-6250

Poker, 8/9-14, Four Queens, 385-4011 or 800-634-6045

Slots, 8/10-13, Sands, 733-5000 or 800-446-4678

Blackjack, 8/12, Continental, 737-5555 ext. 647

Craps, 8/14-16, Tropicana Hotel, 739-2546 or 800-521-8767

Slots, 8/16-18, Imperial Palace, 794-3160

Blackjack, 8/17-20, Stardust, 732-6111

Slots, 8/21-24, Caesars Palace, 731-7485 or 800-262-2502

Slots, 8/21-24, Riviera, 734-5110 or 800-637-5687

Slots, 8/23-25, Tropicana, 739-2546 or 800-521-8767

Slots, 8/23-25, 8/25-27, 8/28-30, and 8/30-9/1, Flamingo Hilton, 800-HILTONS

Slots, 8/23-26, Sahara, 737-2715

Video Poker, 8/25-27 Continental, 737-5555 ext. 5350



Caesars Palace has a new blackjack game called Super Sevens.

September

Slots, 9/1-3, Ramada Express, Laughlin, 298-6250

Keno, 9/2-7 Continental, 737-5555

Triple Tournament, 9/7-10, slots, blackjack, and video poker, Ramada Express, Laughlin, 298-6250

CASINO NOTES

•Circus Circus Enterprises' newest hotel-casino, referred to until recently as "Project X," has been named "Luxor," according to William G. Bennett, chairman of the board of Circus Circus Enterprises. Named after Upper Egypt's most exotic tourist destination, the property will be a 2,521-room pyramid-shaped entertainment complex on the Las Vegas Strip, immediately south of the company's castle-themed Excalibur. Opening is slated for October 1993.

•In April Wisconsin resident Dave Serebin, 28, won the World's Richest Slot Tournament finals at the Sands and became an instant millionaire. The finals brought back the top-scoring winners from the tournament series, which began in March 1991. The \$1-million prize was the largest cash amount given away in hotel slot-tournament history.

•The Railroad Pass Casino in Henderson celebrates 61 years in business with the Hot Chili Cook-Off Annual Bash at the Pass on July 25-26. The bash includes an International Chili Society-sanctioned chili cook-off, slot tournaments, and drawings for prizes.

•The Rio Suite Hotel hosts Summer Sunset Beach Parties every Tuesday from 6 to 9 p.m. through August 25.



Circus Circus Enterprises' newest hotel-casino, Luxor is due to open in October '93.

The parties are held at the hotel's sand lagoon beach and pool and have a different theme each week. The parties include music, prizes, volleyball tournaments, limbo contests, hula hoop contests, and a barbecue buffet. Cost is \$6.25.

•The Hacienda recently adopted a nonsmoking policy in the Fiesta Theatre. The Fiesta Theatre, home of "Lance Burton, World Champion Magician," has been a Las Vegas tradition for more than 20 years.

•The Flamingo Hilton's Alta Villa restaurant has received a Best of the Best Five-Star Diamond Award for its excellence in Italian dining. Alta Villa is one of only 50 restaurants in the United States to receive this classification. Known as the Academy Awards of the

restaurant industry, the Best of the Best executive board is comprised of some of the world's best-known food and wine experts.

•Caesars Palace and the Palace Court restaurant received the Mobil Travel Guide Four-Star Award for 1992, signifying that they are "outstanding, worth a special trip." Caesars also earned the American Automobile Association (AAA) 1992 Four-Diamond Award, marking the 16th consecutive year the hotel has received the rating. Caesars' Palace Court restaurant was also presented with a 1992 Best of the Best Gold Five-Star Diamond Award.

•The Stars' Desert Inn Hotel and Country Club has been awarded the prestigious Four Diamond rating by the American Automobile Association for the 14th consecutive year.

•The Gold River's \$6-million renovation and transformation into a premium casino resort is in full swing. The Laughlin hotel's renovation includes a unique tri-level design, allowing for a nearly smoke-free environment and more spacious gaming area.

•The Maxim in Las Vegas celebrates its 15th birthday during July with promotions for locals and visitors. Call 702-731-4514 for details.

•Sam's Town in Las Vegas celebrates its 13th birthday during July. Call 702-456-7777 for a schedule of events.

Slots, 9/8-11, Riviera, 734-5110 or 800-637-5687
Slots, 9/8-11, Sands, 733-5000 or 800-446-4678
Blackjack, 9/9, Continental, 737-5555 ext. 647
Slots, 9/13-15 and 9/27-29, Flamingo Hilton, 800-HILTONS
Slots, 9/14-16, Binion's Horseshoe, 382-1600
Gaming Tournaments, 9/14-17 video poker, blackjack, slots, keno, and craps, Harrah's Laughlin, 298-4600 or 800-447-8700
Video Poker, 9/20-23, Tropicana, 739-2546 or 800-521-8767
Slots, 9/20-23, Bally's Las Vegas, 800-7-BALLYS ext. 4413
Slots, 9/21-24, Caesars Palace, 731-7485 or 800-262-2502
Slots, 9/21-24, Stardust, 732-6111
Video Poker, 9/22-24, Continental, 737-5555 ext. 5350
Craps/Keno, 9/24-27 Lady Luck, 477-3000 or 800-523-9582
Slots, 9/24-27, Hacienda, 739-8911 ext. 8631
Blackjack, 9/27-29, Four Queens, 385-4011 or 800-634-6045

MUSEUMS

Boulder City

Boulder City/Hoover Dam Museum: 9-5 daily, 444 Hotel Plaza, 294-1988

Henderson

Clark County Heritage Museum: 8-5 Mon.-

Fri., 9-5 Sat.-Sun., 1830 S. Boulder Hwy., 455-7955

Las Vegas

American Museum of Historical Documents:

10-6 Mon.-Wed., 10-9 Thurs.-Fri., 10-6 Sat., 12-5 Sun., 3200 Las Vegas Blvd. S., privately owned, 731-0785

Bethany's Celebrity Doll Museum:

10-5 Mon.-Sat., 1-5 Sun., 1775 E. Tropicana Blvd., 798-3036

Guinness World of Records Museum:

open daily, 2780 Las Vegas Blvd. S., 792-0640 or 792-3766 (business office)

Imperial Palace Auto Collection:

9:30am-11:30pm daily, 794-3174

Las Vegas Art Museum:

10-3 Tues.-Sat., noon-3 Sun., Lorenzi Park, 3333 W. Washington Ave., 647-4300

Las Vegas Natural History Museum:

includes the Wildlife World Art Museum, 9-4 daily, 900 Las Vegas Blvd. N., 384-DINO

Liberace Museum:

10-5 Mon.-Sat., 1-5 Sun., 1775 E. Tropicana, 798-5595

Lied Discovery Children's Museum:

10-5 Tues. and Thurs.-Sat., 10-7 Wed., noon-5 Sun., closed Mon. except on school holidays, 833 Las Vegas Blvd. N., 382-KIDS

Marjorie Barrick Museum of Natural History:

9-5 Mon.-Fri., 10-5 Sat., UNLV 739-3381

Nevada State Museum and Historical Society:

11:30-4:30 Mon.-Tues., 8:30-4:30 Wed.-Sun., Lorenzi Park, 486-5205

Old Las Vegas Mormon Fort:

8-2 Sat. and

Mon., noon-3 Sun., Las Vegas Blvd. N. at Washington (entrance from Cashman Field parking lot B only), 382-7198

Ripley's Believe It or Not!: 9am-midnight Sun.-Thurs., 9am-1am Fri.-Sat., Four Queens Hotel, 385-4011

Mesquite

Mesquite Museum: 9-5 Mon.-Fri., occasionally open on Sat., call ahead, 31 W Mesquite Blvd., 346-5705

North Las Vegas

The Planetarium: 2-8 Thurs.-Sat., Clark County Community College, 644-5059

Overton

Lost City Museum: 8:30-4:30 daily, ancient Pueblo culture, 397-2193

Searchlight

Searchlight Historic Museum: (Satellite of Clark County Heritage Museum) 9-5 Mon.-Fri., 9-12 Sat., Searchlight Community Center, 200 Michael Wendell Way, 455-7955

A Reminder: To confirm dates and times, use the phone number listed with each event. For out-of-state callers, the area code is 702 throughout Nevada. For hotels' toll-free phone numbers, call 800-555-1212.

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Coming Up in Nevada Magazine's Sept/Oct issue:

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Fall Trips

A Runner's Guide

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 Balloon Races in Reno
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Spring Jamboree & Artisans Fair, May

Clark County Artist Show, May

4th of July Jamboree, July

Bud Light U.S. Triathlon, September

Art in the Park, October

Harbor Parade of Lights, December

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HOT LINES

Festivals at Tahoe: information on North Shore festivals throughout the year, 916-583-7625

Nevada Division of State Parks: hikes, tours, stargazing, campfire programs at 21 parks around the state, District II, Carson City, 687-4379

Reno Silver Sox: class-A baseball, Oakland Athletics farm club playing in the California League, 6/30-7/2 v. Salinas Spurs, 7/7-9 v. Stockton Ports, 7/10-12 v. San Bernardino Spirit, 7/13-15 v. Modesto A's, 7/24-26 v. Salinas Spurs, 7/28-30 v. San Jose Giants, 7/31-8/2 v. Bakersfield Dodgers, 8/11-13 v. Visalia Oaks, 8/14-16 v. Palm Springs Angels, 8/24-27 v. Stockton Ports, 8/28-30 v. High Desert Mavericks, Moana Stadium, 825-0678

UNR Music Department: concerts, recitals, 784-6145

For chamber of commerce and convention center phone numbers, see page E-4

EVENTS

July

Musical Jam Sessions, every Sun., 12:30-4:30pm, free, Gold Hill Hotel, one mile south of Virginia City, 847-0111

Paintings from Radar Ranch Exhibit, thru 7/3, by Bay Area artist Michael Moore, reception 5/29 from 7-9pm, Sheppard Gallery, UNR, 784-6658

Oliver Gagliani Zone System Photography Workshop, thru 7/3, daily lectures, field and lab work, Virginia City, 415-472-4010

Nevada Biennial Art Competition, thru 7/19, juried show of art from across the state, Nevada Museum of Art, 329-3333

1992 Carson Valley Art Show, thru 7/26, Genoa Courthouse Museum, Genoa, 782-4325

Summer Concert Series, thru 7/31, Reno Municipal Band concerts at noon every weekday, Wingfield Park Amphitheater, 829-2810

Science Carnival, thru 9/7 tents will house more than 45 hands-on exhibits including holograms, bottled lightning, and a boa constrictor, Fleischmann Planetarium parking lot, UNR, 784-4812

The Reno Wheelmen: Past to Present, thru 9/9, exhibit highlights Reno's bicycle club from 1896-1909 and the new Reno Wheelmen of the 1990s, includes bicycles, photos, trophies, and Greg LeMond memorabilia, Nevada Historical Society, 688-1190

Gatekeeper's Museum Lectures, thru 10/1, Mon. evenings, 130 West Lake Blvd., Tahoe City, 916-583-1762

Douglas Alley Faire, thru 10/31, every weekend, crafts fair, food, and music, Harolds

TERRITORY MAP



Club, 785-3666

Lovelock Cave Duck Decoys Exhibit, thru 11/30, two 2,000-year-old tule reed duck decoys discovered during a 1924 excavation of Lovelock Cave near Lovelock are on loan from the Smithsonian Institution, Nevada State Museum, Carson City, 687-4810

Valhalla Summer Festival of Art and Music, 6/26-9/12, a series of concerts and art exhibits set in and around several historic mansions; performances include jazz, bluegrass, and chamber music, Artists In Action program, mansion tours and children's workshops, Tallac Historic Site, Lake Tahoe, 916-542-4166 or 916-541-4975

Art Exhibit, 7/1-31, works with a patriotic

theme, Artists Co-Op Gallery, 825-9293

Band Concerts on the Quad, 7/1-8/12, every Wed., 6-8pm, free admission and watermelon, UNR Quadrangle, 784-4046

Native Northern American Tribal Exhibition, 7/1-9/30, works by Richard Greywolf, Jerome Humingbird, Larry Spencer, Clarence Whitehorse, and Larry Muchas; also on view will be "Paradise Lost" Indian mural by artist Bernard Colas, arts and crafts from many Native North American tribes, Town Center Mall, 333-2826

Crafts, Collectibles, and Antiques Show and Sale, 7/2-5, Carson Valley Inn, Minden, 916-273-3725

Murder Mysteries, 7/3-4 and 7/10-11, Brewery Arts Center, Carson City, 883-1976

Steam-Up, 7/3-5, steam-up and operation of historic steam locomotive on one-mile loop of track, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City, 687-6953

Americana Festival, 7/3-5, square dance on Virginia Street under the Reno Arch on Fri. at 7pm, on Sat.-Sun. old-fashioned crafts, displays, and music, Harolds Club, 785-3666

Sixth Annual Independence Day Cribbage Classic, 7/3-5, Sands Regency, 348-2200 or 800-648-3553

Goat Show, 7/3-5, Reno Livestock Events Center, 677-0671

Public Art Show, 7/3-5, Peppermill, 826-2121 ext. 4405 or 800-648-6992 ext. 4405

Arts and Crafts Fairs, 7/3-5, 7/10-12, 8/24-26, and 9/4-7 Kings Beach, 916-546-5935

Skyfire Fourth of July Celebration, 7/4, fireworks, Nevada Civil War Volunteers' program of camp life, mock battles, and Victorian living history, Rancho San Rafael Park, 800-FOR-RENO

Virginia City Fourth of July Celebration, 7/4, 11am parade on C Street, barbecue and races at noon at Miner's Park, fireworks at dusk, Virginia City, 847-0263 or 847-0311

Carson City Fourth of July Celebration, 7/4, parade down Carson Street, craft and food booths, fireworks at dusk, Mills Park, Carson City, 882-1565

Reno Philharmonic Pops in the Park, 7/4, ninth annual concert, includes silent auction and chances to conduct the orchestra, bring a blanket and picnic supper, food and drinks will be available, festivities begin at 3pm, concert begins at 5pm, free concert, Mormon Station State Historic Park, Genoa, 267-3427

Star Spangled Fourth, 7/4, fireworks display sponsored by Harrah's Lake Tahoe, South Lake Tahoe, 588-6611

Fourth of July Museum Breakfast, 7/4, 7:45 and 8:45am seatings, National Automobile Museum, 333-9300

Community Fourth of July Picnic, 7/4, 10am-5pm, Incline Village Ski Beach, 832-1606

North Lake Tahoe Fourth of July, 7/4, parades, craft fairs, and fireworks, Tahoe City,



Truckee, Kings Beach, and Incline Village, 832-1606

Carson City Mint Coin Show, 7/4-5, first coin show ever to be held in a (former) U.S. Branch Mint; includes coin dealers, coin press No. 1 will be stamping commemorative medallions, gold panning demonstration, grand reopening of Carson City Mint building, 8:30am-4:30pm, Nevada State Museum, Carson City, 687-4810

Summer Classic Drag Racing Festival, 7/4-5, funny cars, Top Alcohol Dragsters, and more, Douglas County Airport, Minden, 329-8892

Art Exhibit, 7/4-9/30, works by Jack Malotte, John Duffie, and Arnold Aragon, Desert Moon Tea House and Art Gallery, 329-4911

Pancake Breakfast, 7/5, North Tahoe Lions Club, Incline Village, 831-1834

Chamber Music, 7/5, 7/26, and 8/23, music and art exhibit, 3pm, Tallac Historic Site, Valhalla, 916-542-4166 or 916-541-4975

Nugget Jazz Festival, 7/5-8, 10th annual, 10 jazz bands perform all types of jazz from bebop to modern to swing, featured headliner is Doc Severinsen, jazz brunch, dinner and dance, gospel session, parade, and jam session, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3300 or 800-843-2427

Region III Arabian Horse Show, 7/5-11, Reno Livestock Events Center, 323-3000

Dennis Parks Sculpture Exhibit, 7/6-31, Parks is known as the Tuscarora Pottery Projects creator, Sierra Arts Gallery, 329-1324

Isuzu Celebrity Golf Championship, 7/7-12, PGA-style, all-celebrity golf tournament



with performers from sports and entertainment, \$400,000 in cash and prizes, Edge-wood Golf Course, Lake Tahoe, 588-3515 ext 6100

Peking Circus, 7/7-26, Bally's Reno, 789-2000

World Intergalactic Beer Can Race, 7/8, sailboats converge on Lake Tahoe to compete in an evening race, Windjammers Yacht Club, South Lake Tahoe, 916-542-1550 or 916-541-2235

Remembering the Standards Concert, 7/8, Festival of the Arts Series, Victorian Square

The Nevada State Fair in Reno is a whirlwind of fun with carnival rides, concerts, farm animals, bungee jumping, and the fair's mascot (left). This year's dates are August 12-16.

Amphitheater, Sparks, 353-2291

Sharkey's Cow Pasture Boxing, 7/9, Gardnerville Park, Gardnerville, 782-3133

West Coast Scrabble Championships, 7/9-12, fourth annual, Sands Regency, 348-2200 or 800-648-3553

Three Bears Native American Arts and Crafts Show, 7/10-12, fine art, Cal-Neva Lodge, Crystal Bay, 832-4000 or 885-9759

Annual Brooklyn Bums Softball Tournament, 7/10-12, Lampe Park, Gardnerville, 782-9828

"Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," 7/10-12, 8pm Fri.-Sat., 2pm Sun., Western Nevada Community College's Jackrabbit Children's Theatre, Carson City Community Center, 887-3153

Summer Sculpture Exhibition, 7/10-8/4, reception 7/10 from 7-9pm, Sheppard Gallery, UNR, 784-6658

Carson Valley Heritage Day Chili Cook-Off and Crafts Fair, 7/11, Minden Park, Minden, 782-2211

Trans Tahoe Regatta, 7/11, 25th annual, beginning and ending at Homewood on the west shore of Lake Tahoe, Tahoe Yacht Club, 329-9084 or 916-525-5225

Tour of the California Alps ("The Death Ride"), 7/11, one of the most difficult bicycle endurance rides in the region, the course

NIGHTLIFE

Cosmetic Comedy

BY GUY RICHARDSON

My God, Phyllis Diller is 75. The queen of plastic surgery is three-quarters of a century into a life that's seen her go from a homely housewife to a re-born comic who's had so many cosmetic operations that she's had her publicist make up a list of what was lifted and when.

"I can fax the list to you," she said helpfully.

That was OK. I wasn't wondering how many and when. I wanted to ask if a woman who's fought so hard to look young and vital is frightened of old age. So I blurted out the question.

I expected her trademark cackle if I were lucky or an offended scream if I weren't. Instead she chuckled easily. "No, not at all—I've never been happier in my life." You see, it's not age she's running away from. It's ugliness.

"I surround myself with beauty. I reupholster my furniture and redo my face. I have old cars, but cars in beautiful shape. I enjoy antiquity but antiquity in ruins is not fun."

At 75, she finally thinks she's pretty. Of course, had she been pretty at the beginning she wouldn't have had a comedy career. "I wouldn't have had a springboard," she said. "I wouldn't have had any reason to be funny."

If, as a young woman, she could have chosen between beauty or fame and fortune, she would have opted instantly for beauty. "I would have done anything," she said. "I got up at 5 a.m. and put dew on my face to get rid of the freckles. They lied about that, too." Finally she cackles. "Ah-harrrr-haar."

As do so many people who feel flawed, Diller used comedy in high school as a masked outlet for hostility. Comedy—all comedy—contains steaming piles of aggression. This works great for guys. Young women often dig themselves in deeper. "An aggressive, hostile act is not what people want from a woman," Diller said. "Boys are brought up to be aggressive. On a girl it is not attractive."

For Diller, comedy was a sanity-saver. She polished what she calls her "parlor act" until she was 37. Then she turned pro. "When I first went on stage, it was me," Diller said. More and more over the years her stage character became a cartoon based on her younger life.

Off stage, the real Phyllis Diller discovered plastic surgery and the two Dillers went down different roads.

So, I said, if a guy in your audience now gets a crush on you, he's got a crush on a person who doesn't exist.

"What so you mean, 'crush?' They don't get a crush on me," she replied.

But if they did, it wouldn't be you.

"I don't understand what you mean by crush," she said.

All right, a guy comes in and gets the hots for you.

"Aw c'mon—they don't get the hots for me, they don't get the hots for any female comics. They don't marry the comic, they marry the singer. The singer or dancer. Not the comic."

Not ever?

"The young girl comics are going to be bright, and that alone is enough to put off guys. They want a bubble head who is soft and lacy they don't want this girl with a steel trap mind and a memory like an elephant."

Earlier, Diller had said she was never without a man. Where then does she find them? "If you are very smart and rich, you've got to find a guy who's smarter and richer. Smarter, richer, and more important," she said.

Look, I said, I've got the solution. If most men don't lust after who you are even after all that plastic surgery, what about surgery on your personality?

"I don't think so," she said cheerily. "Everything I do is working."

Phyllis Diller performs at Harrah's Reno September 15-27

Guy Richardson is a reporter and entertainment writer for the Reno Gazette-Journal.



Diller brings her unique looks and laughs to Harrah's Reno Sept. 15-27

gains more than 15,000 feet in elevation for more than 100 miles, Markleeville, Alpine County, CA, 916-694-2475

An Evening With Leo Buscaglia and Friends, 7/11, best-selling inspirational author, Visitor Center Amphitheater, Tallac Historic Site, Valhalla, 916-542-4166 or 916-541-4975

Roberts House Museum Yard Sale, 7/11, Carson City, 882-1805 or 882-4133

Men's Pro Beach Volleyball, 7/11-12, North Tahoe Beach Center, 916-546-2566

Gun Show, 7/11-12, Reno Livestock Events Center, 323-3000

Douglas Dolphins Relay Swim Meet, 7/11-12, Carson Valley Swim Center, Minden, 782-8840

Sierra Nevada Symphonic Wind Ensemble, 7/12, Lake Tahoe Summer Music Series, every Sun. from 7/12-8/30, 3pm, free, Chateau, Incline Village, 831-4024

Lake Tahoe Summer Music Festival, 7/14-8/14, 10th year, jazz and classical music, performances at Topol Pavilion in Home-wood, Squaw Valley and Northstar-at-Tahoe, call 916-583-3101 for schedule

Trans Tahoe Swim Relay Race, 7/16, race across Lake Tahoe from Sand Harbor to Chambers Landing, 415-775-4400

Thursday Night Jazz at Valhalla, 7/16, 7/23, and 7/30, 7:30pm, Tallac Historic Site, Valhalla, 916-542-4166 or 916-541-4975

Music at Sand Harbor Festival, 7/16-19, 11th annual "Tunes in the Dunes," four nights of contemporary music including rock 'n' roll, country, jazz, blues, and folk, gates open at 6:30pm, concerts begin at 8pm, bring picnic dinner, blanket, and low-back chair, no alcohol please, \$19 general admission, Sand Harbor State Park, south of Incline Village on Hwy. 28, 916-583-9048

An Evening of Kung Fu Theatre, 7/16-19, teen director and actors, Mirror Image Productions, Brewery Arts Center, Carson City, 883-1976

Courtroom Dramas, 7/17, early 1800s proceedings and trials in Douglas County with local actors, 6pm, Genoa Courthouse Museum, Genoa, 782-4325

"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," 7/17-19, 8pm Fri.-Sat., 2pm Sun., Western Nevada Community College's adult theatre troupe, Carson City Community Center, 887-3153

Nor-Cal Car Club Meet, 7/17-19, Kirkwood Ski Resort, 209-258-6000

Reno Through the Eyes of Modern Photo Studio, 7/17-11/23, perspectives of Reno in the 1940s by photographers from the Modern Photo Studio, opening reception 7/17 Nevada Historical Society, 688-1190

Arts District Open House, 7/18, celebrating Reno arts and cultural centers including Sierra Arts Center, Pioneer Center, and Nevada Museum of Art, 6pm-midnight, downtown Reno, 329-1324

Lunar Lunacy 5K and 10K, 7/18, Lampe Park, Gardnerville, 782-9828

Family Ice Cream Social, 7/18, homemade ice cream, \$4 adults, \$3 children, all you can eat, Kerak Shrine Temple, 322-3330

Clog Dancing, 7/18, Reno Livestock Events Center, 825-2273

Sierra Nevada Dressage Horse Show, 7/18-19, Reno Livestock Events Center, 882-0202

SCCA Autocross, 7/18-19, Reno Livestock Events Center, 626-9013

Jackpot of Gems '92, 7/18-19, rock, gem, jewelry, and mineral show and sale, gold panning, diamond expert Leonard Ludel will give talk on "Diamond Mining and Diamond Cutting" at 2pm on Sat., hours are 10am-6pm Sat., 10am-5pm Sun., Reno-Sparks Convention Center, 853-5055

Nor-Cal Cool Sierra Fun Run and Car Show, 7/18-19, classic cars and hot rods, Kirkwood Ski Resort, 209-258-6000 or 916-694-2475

Silver State Morgan Horse Show, 7/18-19, Fuji Park, Carson City, 849-0490

Topaz Lake Masters Swim Meet, 7/19, Topaz Lake, 782-8840

Donner Lake Triathlon, 7/19, 916-587-2757

Pianist Gao Ping, 7/19, Lake Tahoe Summer Music Series, every Sun. from 7/12-8/30, 3pm, free, Chateau, Incline Village, 831-4024

Mariachi Music at Valhalla, 7/19, live Mariachi music and art exhibit, 1pm, Tallac Historic Site, Valhalla, 916-542-4166 or 916-541-4975

Radio City Sparks Concert, 7/22, reenactment on stage of a live radio show, Festival of the Arts Series, Victorian Square Amphitheater, Sparks, 353-2291

WWF Wrestling, 7/22, World Wrestling Federation wrestling, Lawlor Events Center, UNR, 784-4659

Adopt-A-Car Wax and Shine Party and Barbecue, 7/23, 6pm, National Automobile Museum, 333-9300

Capital City Fair, 7/24-26, county fair with carnival, 4-H exhibits, outlaw go-cart racing, petting zoo, horse show, food booths, teen



The Music at Sand Harbor Festival brings tunes to the shores of Lake Tahoe July 16-19.

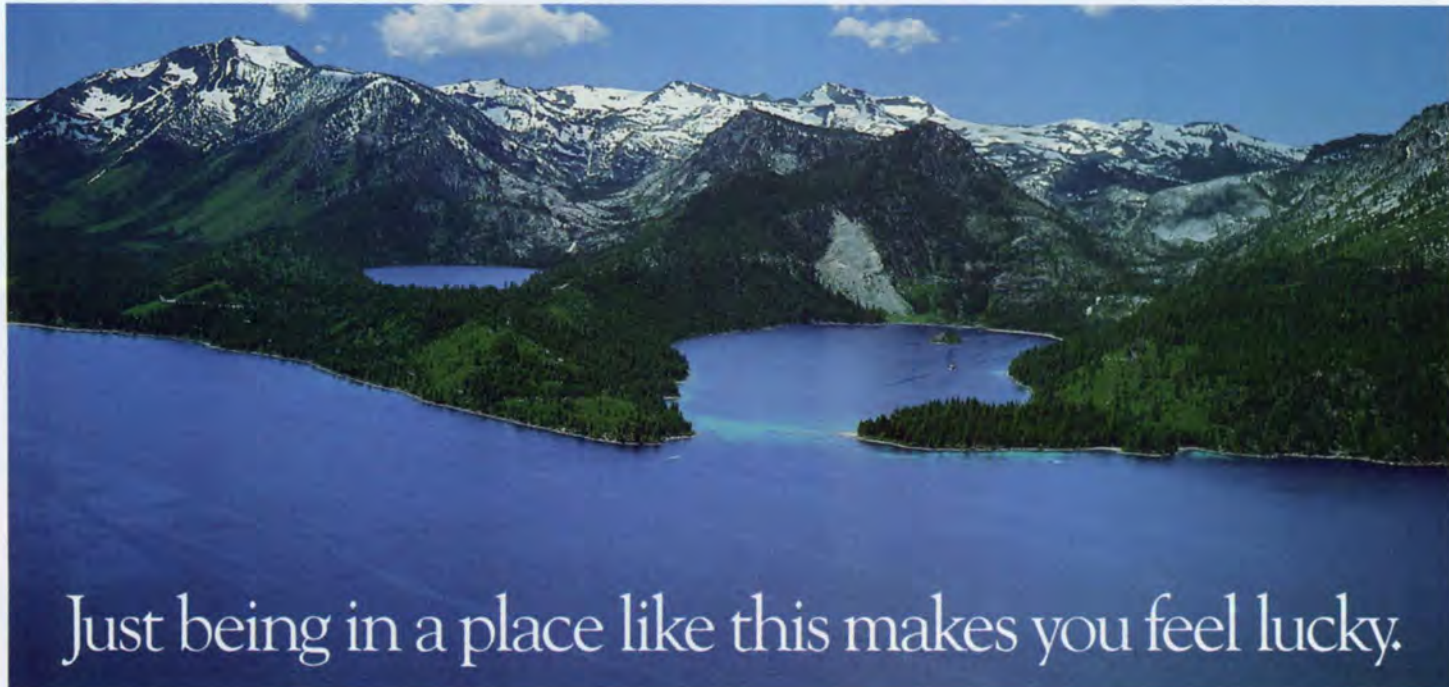
night, demolition derby, Fuji Park, Carson City, 882-4460 or 887-3942

European Motorcycle Show and Swap, 7/25, Minden Park, Minden, 267-2103

Comstock Firemen's Muster, 7/25-26, compe-

tion with antique firefighting equipment such as hand-pumpers and hose carts, 9am parade on C Street Sat., barbecue, dance, Virginia City, 847-0954 or 847-0311

Steam-Up, 7/25-26, steam-up and operation of



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Hot Nights, Cool Sights

STORY BY GREG FINE

PHOTOS BY WILLIAM CARR

Each year in August, Reno undergoes a not-so-subtle change as people in poodle skirts, duck tails, tight fitting T-shirts, and saddle shoes descend on the town for a truly "boss" party called Hot August Nights.

August 6-9 marks the seventh year of Reno's Hot August Nights. It is a four-day blast from the past with events centered around some of the sleekest, trickiest, and chieriest cars of the period, as well as dances, concerts, and all-night diners.

Automobiles from yesteryear arrive by the thousands in the Biggest Little City in the World from all points of the compass. Nearly 50,000 people, dressed as though they're extras in a Cecil B. DeMille production of "Grease," flock to town and flash back to the *Happy Days* era of the 1950s and '60s. Hot rod fans trek to Reno to show 'n' shine their cars for parades, an accessory swap meet, and a classic car auction.

In fact, so many people bring their cool custom cruisers to Hot August Nights that event organizers have expanded the number of car entries.

"We've increased car registration this year to 3,000," says Randy Burke, executive director for Hot August Nights. "We have more than 2,200 cars signed up already."

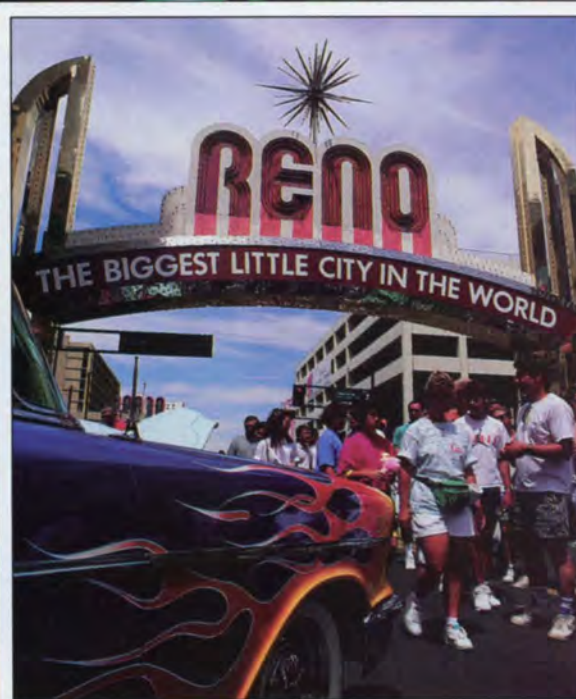
There also will be two major concerts, a special production of the musical "Grease" at the Reno Little Theater, the too cool Cruiser's Cafe at the Reno-Sparks Convention Center at the south end of town, and a 24-hour drive-in complete with car hops on roller skates, disc jockeys, and live music on the north side of town.

Duke's Diner in downtown Reno will feature John Wayne's white Corvette. Prom Night will be held at the convention center, and everyone is encouraged to dig up their prom finery and perform the necessary size adjustments for an evening of cheek-to-cheek carpet cutting.

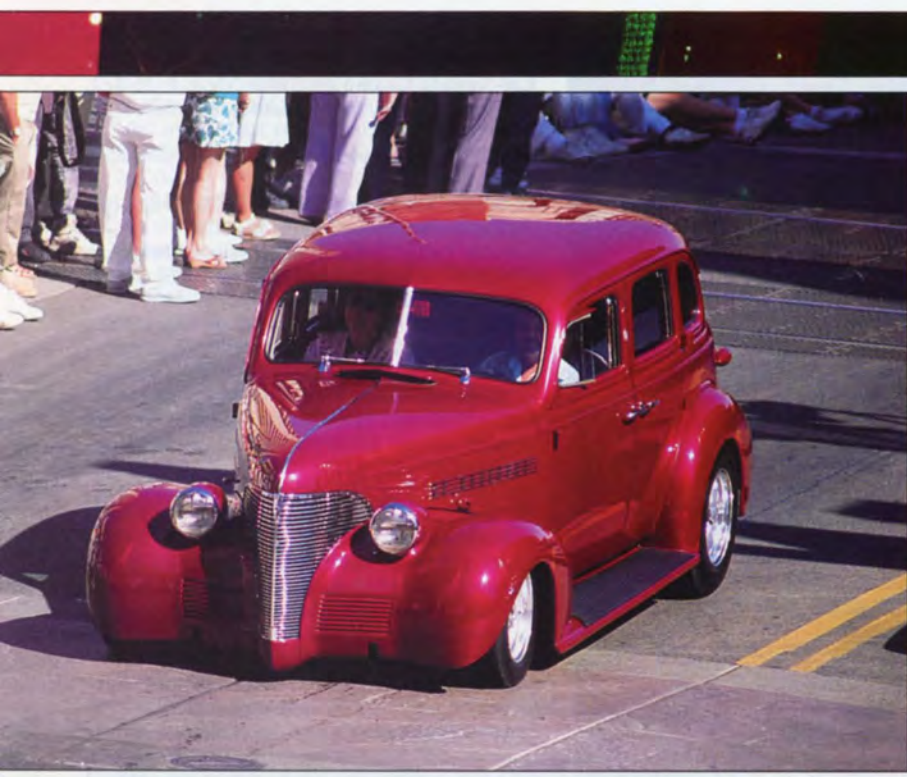
Rooms fill up quickly, so early reservations are recommended. Even Winnemucca, 164 miles north-east of Reno, is on the alert with accommodations.

For more information about Hot August Nights, call 702-829-1955. For lodging information, call 800-FOR-RENO.

Greg Fine is a publicist for the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority. He only occasionally wears a poodle skirt while doo-wopping.



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historic steam locomotive on one-mile loop of track, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City, 687-6953

Truckee Regional Park Arts and Crafts Fair, 7/25-26, sixth annual, free admission, 10am-5pm, one mile north of downtown Truckee on Hwy. 267 916-583-9048

Motorcycle Race, 7/25-26, Reno Livestock Events Center, 267-4392

Men's Open Pro Beach Volleyball, 7/25-26, North Tahoe Beach Center, 916-546-2566

Run With a View, 7/25-26 and 8/8-9, Kirkwood Ski Resort, 209-258-6000

Jason Ingram and His Brass Quintet, 7/26, classical compositions, Lake Tahoe Summer Music Series, every Sun. from 7/12-8/30, 3pm, free, Chateau, Incline Village, 831-4024

Children's Art Festival, 7/26-27 third annual, hands-on crafts including hat making, T-shirt printing, and mask designing, puppeteer Marshall Izen will entertain with "Mozart, Monsters, and Matisse," on the shores of Lake Tahoe, Topol Pavilion, Homewood, 916-546-4602

Jack Longstreet Exhibit, 7/28-8/30, traveling photo show, Genoa Courthouse Museum, Genoa, 782-4325

August Jamboree Art Show, 7/29-9/7 works by various Nevada artists, featuring single line gesture artist John Sepesi, reception 8/1



The Concours d'Elegance at Lake Tahoe shows off rare antique and classic boats August 8.

from 2-5pm, Nevada Artists Assn. Town Center Gallery, 333-2826

Cal-Nevada Champion Swim Meet, 7/31-8/2, Carson Valley Swim Center, Minden, 782-8840

NSHA Horse Show, 7/31-8/2, Reno Livestock Events Center, 852-3011

Peruvian Paso Horse Show, 7/31-8/2, Reno Livestock Events Center, 463-3088

Carson Valley Historical Society's Christmas Card Contest Display, 7/31-8/15, Genoa Courthouse Museum, Genoa, 782-4325

Art on Wheels Exhibition, 7/31-9/15, automobile art and auto design, includes lectures, demonstrations, workshops, and educational materials, the opening will be held in conjunction with Hot August Nights with a reception from 5-7pm on 7/31, Nevada Museum of Art, 329-3333

August

Roberts House Museum Yard Sale, 8/1, Carson City, 882-1805 or 882-4133

Carson Valley Fair and Junior Rodeo, 8/1-2, rodeo for junior cowboys and cowgirls up to 18 years of age, 9am-5pm, \$2, fairgrounds, Gardnerville, 782-7750

Native American Fine Arts Festival and Celebration, 8/1-2, art and music, Tallac Historic Site, Valhalla, 916-542-4166 or 916-541-

CASINO NOTES

•The country's first national bowling stadium will be built in Reno, thanks to an agreement between the American Bowling Congress (ABC) and the Women's International Bowling Congress (WIBC) to make Reno the home for national tournaments every three years for the next 15 years. Construction is expected to begin at the end of summer. The stadium's planners said the 80-lane bowling alley will be housed in a multitiered building with a geodesic dome for an Omnimax theater. There will be a bowling ball valet service and large-screen video monitors like those at Madison Square Garden. The stadium is expected to generate \$144 million in revenues after the first two tournaments. The ABC will christen the stadium during the organization's 100th anniversary in 1995.

•A giant 100-foot-tall neon sign for **John Ascuaga's Nugget** in Sparks is planned to go up in mid-August. The sign will be located on the south side of Interstate 80 and will be visible to both east- and west-bound traffic. The top portion of the sign is a 27-foot by 47-foot electronic message center with full-color capability which can be programmed for animation.

•**Bill's Lake Tahoe** celebrates its fifth birthday on July 1 with free cake and party favors.

•For the 12th consecutive year, **Caesars Tahoe** has been honored as a Four

Diamond Award winner by the California State Automobile Association. Caesars Tahoe recently underwent a \$16 million remodeling and upgrading project.

•The **Eldorado's La Strada** restaurant recently was named one of the top 50 Italian restaurants in the country receiving a Best of the Best Five Star Diamond award. La Strada has authentic Northern Italian cuisine.

•**Harrah's Reno** recently added a

nonsmoking slot area and increased the size of its adjoining nonsmoking table games area. Both are located in the center of Harrah's. "Although we are seeing more and more nonsmoking table games areas throughout the industry our nonsmoking slot area is unique," says George Rinaldi, vice president casino operations.

•**Reno's Peppermill** broke ground in March for a larger casino, new lounge, and restaurant space.



Reno's new national bowling stadium will have 80 lanes and an Omnimax theater.

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The Challenge with Greg LeMond/Tahoe Series, 8/1-2, mountain bike and road race challenge for all ages and abilities, 5K and 10K individual time trial, \$10 per person, Kirkwood Ski Resort, 916-583-8900 or 800-242-0452

Art Exhibit, 8/1-31, parking lot and sidewalk art show celebrates Hot August Nights, Artists Co-Op Gallery, 825-9293

North Lake Tahoe Woodwind Quintet, 8/2, with Dr. Bertil van Boer, Lake Tahoe Summer Music Series, every Sun. from 7/12-8/30, 3pm, free, Chateau, Incline Village, 831-4024

"The Music Man," 8/4-8, 8/11-15, 8/18-22, and 8/25-29, musical theatre production outdoors overlooking Lake Tahoe, picnicking at 6pm, curtain at 8pm, \$10 adults, \$10 children 12 and under, North Tahoe Regional Park, Tahoe Vista, 916-581-4323 or 916-546-1400

Thursday Night Jazz at Valhalla, 8/6, 8/20, and 8/27 7:30pm, Tallac Historic Site, Valhalla, 916-542-4166 or 916-541-4975

Hot August Nights, 8/6-9, a celebration of America's love affair with cars and rock 'n' roll; includes car parade, car swap, record swap, retail nostalgia fair, car auction, shown 'n' shine, car display, formal prom, live concerts with stars from the '50s and '60s, poker run, Reno and Sparks, 829-1955 or 800-FOR-RENO

"Grease," 8/6-9, musical, coincides with Hot August Nights, Reno Little Theater, 329-0661

Tahoe Wooden Boat Week, 8/6-13, the forum for wooden-boat owners and aficionados to compare boats and notes, public boat display on 8/8, workshops, clinics, Tahoe Boat Company, Tahoe City, 916-581-4700

Carson City Antique Show, 8/7-9, Carson City Community Center, 687-7410

Shakespeare at Sand Harbor Festival, 8/7-23 (except Mon.), 14th annual, "Comedy of Errors," "Love's Labours Lost," and "Dracula" performed by the California Theatre Center, bring picnic dinner, blanket and low-back chair, gates open at 6:30pm, performances at 8pm, \$15 general admission, \$12 seniors and students, Sand Harbor State Park, south of Incline Village on Hwy. 28, for schedule call the North Tahoe Fine Arts Council office at 916-583-9048

Art Exhibit, 8/7-28, selections from the Shepard Gallery permanent collections, UNR, 784-6658

Tahoe Yacht Club Concours d'Elegance, 8/8, 20th anniversary, display of more than 100 vintage mahogany watercraft, also vintage automobiles and antique outboard engines, Tahoe Boat Company, Tahoe City, 916-581-4700

Donner Lake Swim, 8/8, 13th annual, U.S. Masters National Championship, Donner Lake, 831-6877

Truckee Championship Rodeo, 8/8-9, 18th annual, starts 4pm Sat., 1pm Sun., \$7 adults, \$4 children, McIver Arena, Truckee, 916-587-0780

Steam-Up, 8/8-9, steam-up and operation of historic steam locomotive on one-mile loop of track, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City, 687-6953

Tahoe Horizons Juried Art Show, 8/8-18, Sierra Artists Network, Sierra Nevada College,

Incline Village, 831-6877

Lenz Trio, 8/9, includes music for piano, cello, flute, and oboe, Lake Tahoe Summer Music Series, every Sun. from 7/12-8/30, 3pm, free, Chateau, Incline Village, 831-4024

Bluegrass Festival, 8/9, noon, Tallac Historic Site, Valhalla, 916-542-4166

Waterski Tournament, 8/10-11, Sierra Springs Waterski Lake, Gardnerville, 267-3146

Nevada State Fair, 8/12-16, carnival, home arts exhibits, livestock exhibits and shows, destruction derby, bungee jumping, judged and juried art show, fireworks, Reno Livestock Events Center, 322-4424

First Annual Cal-Neva Jazz Festival, 8/13-16,

Cal-Neva Lodge, Crystal Bay, 832-4000

ESPN Fight, 8/13, Goldwyn Ballroom, Bally's Reno, 789-2285

House and Garden Tour, 8/13, tour of lake-front and homes, by reservation only, Tahoe City and Tahoma, Lake Tahoe, 915-583-1762

"The Little Snow Girl," 8/14 and 8/16, Youth Drama Production, Brewery Arts Center, Carson City, 883-1976

Great Gatsby Festival, 8/14-16, Roaring '20s living history celebration, live Dixieland music, costume parties, hot-air balloons, seventh annual antique and classic wooden boat show classic cars, barbecue, Tahoe Keys Marina and Tallac Historic Site, South

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Lake Tahoe, 916-541-5458 or 916-546-2768
Carson Valley Fine Arts and Crafts Street Celebration, 8/15-16, downtown Minden and Minden Park, 324-6435 or 782-8144

Nevada Civil War Volunteers Annual Reenactment, 8/15-16, Victorian period living history activities including mock battles, ladies' handwork, children's games, Mormon Station State Historic Park, Genoa, 573-4331

The Challenge with Greg LeMond/Tahoe Series, 8/15-16, mountain bike and road race challenge for all ages and abilities, 5K and 10K individual time trial, \$10 per person, Northstar-at-Tahoe, 916-583-8900 or 800-242-0452

Pyramid Lake Triathlon 1992, 8/16, ninth annual, 1.5K swim, 10K run, 40K bike, open to individuals or teams, registration at 7am, race at 9am, Sutcliffe on Pyramid Lake, 33 miles north of Reno, 323-4900

Mickey Lufkin and His Sierra String Quartet, 8/16, classical music and show tunes, Lake Tahoe Summer Music Series, every Sun. from 7/12-8/30, 3pm, free, Chateau, Incline Village, 831-4024

Lake Tahoe Invitational Baseball Tournament, 8/20-23, 12th annual, 16 of America's top semi-pro baseball teams compete in tournament play for a purse of more than \$5,000, South Lake Tahoe, 916-542-2525

International Dance Festival, 8/21, Festival of the Arts Series, Victorian Square Amphitheater, Sparks, 353-2291

MTV at the BAC, 8/21-22, local star search, air bands and dancers welcome, Brewery Arts Center, Carson City, 883-1976

Valley Cruisers Main Street Event, 8/21-23, '50s and '60s cars, show and shine, Sat. night dance, vendors, parade, Lampe Park, Gardnerville, 782-3571 or 782-2074

Reno Basque Festival, 8/22-23, 25th annual, competitions, traditional Basque dancers, Basque games, and cuisine, Basque Mass, Victorian Square and John Ascuaga's Nugget in Sparks, 785-3350

Old-Fashioned Ice Cream Social Weekend, 8/22-23, 11am-4pm, National Automobile Museum, 333-9300

Craft and Hobby Show, 8/22-23, model railroad exhibits, Bally's Reno, 826-6006

Steam-Up, 8/22-23, steam-up and operation of historic steam locomotive on one-mile loop of track, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City, 687-6953

Lake Tahoe Concert, 8/23, pianist Ron Williams and violinist Cynthia Lang perform works from the 15th century to contemporary, Lake Tahoe Summer Music Series, every Sun. from 7/12-8/30, 3pm, free, Chateau, Incline Village, 831-4024

La Ka Le'i Be Powwow, 8/28-30, 10th annual, Fuji Park, Carson City, 885-9759

Lake Tahoe Summer Sports Festival, 8/28-30, with the World's Toughest Triathlon (8/29) and the Semi-Tough Triathlon, top athletes compete in both ultra-distance championships, Baldwin Beach, South Lake Tahoe, 916-573-0103

Sharon Camarillo Barrel Racing Classic, 8/28-30, fairgrounds, Gardnerville, 916-895-1852

Rollerblade Race, 8/29, Kirkwood Ski Resort, 209-258-6000

Commons Beach Arts and Crafts Fair, 8/29-30, 10am-5pm, Tahoe City, 916-583-9048

Silver State Marathon/Half Marathon/10K



South Lake Tahoe's Great Gatsby Festival is a living history celebration of the Roaring '20s. The August 14-16 celebration includes Dixieland music, costume parties, and classic cars and boats.

Run and Walk, 8/30, 6am marathon, 7am other races, 26.2-mile marathon course around Franktown Road and Washoe Lake; 13.1-mile course around Franktown; plus 10K walk or run, followed by picnic at Bowers Mansion, everyone is welcome, Bowers Mansion, Washoe Valley, south of Reno, 825-3006

Salon Orchestra of Nevada, 8/30, 27-piece orchestra conducted by Dr. Bertil van Boer, Lake Tahoe Summer Music Series, every Sun. from 7/12-8/30, 3pm, free, Chateau, Incline Village, 831-4024

Three Bears Native American Arts and Crafts Show, 8/31-9/2, fine art, Cal-Neva Lodge, Crystal Bay, 832-4000 or 885-9759

September

Nevada Supreme Court Exhibit, 9/1-30, on early history of the court, Genoa Courthouse Museum, 782-4325

Paul Ford Mixed Media Exhibit, 9/1-30, Sierra Arts Gallery, 329-1324

Art Exhibit, 9/1-30, show honors the Reno Balloon Races and National Air Races, Artists Co-Op Gallery, 825-9293

Greg Brown Concert, 9/3, Western-style folk guitarist, Brewery Arts Center, Carson City, 883-1976

Contra Dance, 9/4, circle, line, and square dances to live caller and band, Brewery Arts Center, Carson City, 883-1976

"The Taming of the Shrew", 9/4-5, 9/10-13, and 9/17-19, Shakespeare's comedy, Reno Little Theater, 329-0661

Sacramento Symphony, 9/4-5, Squaw Valley, 916-581-3762

Best in the West Nugget Rib Cook-Off, 9/4-7 featuring 20 rib cooks from across the country, free nightly headline concerts and live entertainment, cooks compete for cash and prizes, crowds can sample award-winning ribs, craft show, free admission, Victorian Square Plaza outside John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3300 or 800-843-2427

ext. 3437

Carson Valley Bocce Tournament, 9/4-7, Carson Valley Inn, Minden, 782-0711 ext. 625

Bailey Doogan Art Show, 9/4-30, Sheppard Gallery, UNR, 784-6658

Starlight Jazz Festival, 9/5, evening of jazz performed under the stars at the U.S. Forest Service Visitor Center Amphitheater, 7pm, Tallac Historic Site, Valhalla, South Lake Tahoe, 916-542-4166 or 916-541-4975

Numaga Indian Days Celebration Powwow, 9/5-7, Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, 329-2936

Pyramid Lake Rodeo and Elders Day, 9/5-7 Nixon, 574-0140

Steam-Up, 9/5-7, steam-up and operation of historic steam locomotive on one-mile loop of track, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City, 687-6953

Fine Arts North (FAN Club) Antique and Collector Car Show, 9/6, Commons Beach, Tahoe City, 916-581-2727

Jazz at the Top of the Cable Car, 9/6, Squaw Valley, 916-581-3762

World Championship Reined Cow Horse Futurity, 9/8-13, Reno Livestock Events Center, 209-738-8141

Art Show, 9/9-10/19, watercolorist Joyce Burke, reception 9/12 from 2-5pm, NAA Town Center Gallery, 333-2826

"Medea", 9/10-12, 9/18-19, and 9/25-26, Greek tragedy, Studio West, Brewery Arts Center, Carson City, 883-1976

Great Reno Balloon Races, 9/11-13, hot-air balloons, crafts, music, concessions, free, Rancho San Rafael Park, 826-1181

Virginia City International Camel Races, 9/11-13, camel and ostrich races from noon-4pm Fri.-Sun., Camel Hump Ball at 7pm Fri., 11am parade Sat. on C Street, 847-0311

Daow-Aga Powwow, 9/11-13, Native American dance competition, \$10,000 prize money, crafts fair, music, food, and Indian Village, Cal-Neva Lodge, Crystal Bay, 832-4000 or 885-9759

Annual Carson Valley Inn Mixed Scramble

Golf Tournament, 9/11-13, Carson Valley Inn and Carson Valley Golf Course, Minden, 782-9711 ext. 624

Great Reno Balloon Race Wine Festival, 9/12, wine tasting, silent auction, and live entertainment, McCarran House, Sparks, 358-1976

Rockport's American Discovery Trail-Blazer Day, 9/12, walk and mark portions of the 4,920-mile American Discovery Trail that passes through 13 states and the District of Columbia, 800-343-WALK

The Challenge with Greg LeMond/Regional Finals, 9/12, mountain bike and road bike challenge for all ages and abilities, 5K and 10K individual time trial, \$10 per person, Resort at Squaw Creek, 916-583-8900 or 800-242-0452

10K Volksmarch, 9/12, Tahoe Trekkers, Tahoe Cedars Beach, Tahoma, 916-546-7547

Benny Brown Rodeo, 9/12, rodeo events, free barbecue, Kirkwood Ski Resort, 209-258-6000

Tahoe Rim Trail Hike-a-Thon, 9/12, location TBA, 916-577-0676

Biggest Little Quilt Show in the West, 9/12-13, vendors, demonstrations, opportunity quilt, door prizes, Reno's Truckee Meadows Quilters, Reno Livestock Events Center, 329-5073 or 849-0322

Beach Street Revival/Northern Nevada Lone Wolves Dueces Wild High Stakes Poker Run and Car Show, 9/12-13, Lake Tahoe, 782-5942 or 408-438-1957

Cool September Days, 9/12-14, car show, poker run, dance contests, sock hop, to benefit the International Good Samaritans safe-ride program, South Lake Tahoe area, 588-8575

Kirkwood 10K Run, 9/13, foot race to raise money for the Kirkwood Volunteer Fire Dept., Kirkwood Ski Resort, 209-258-6000

Squaw Valley Century, 9/13, 100-mile ride on road bicycles around Truckee and Donner Pass, optional 65-mile ride included, Squaw Valley Ski Resort, 916-583-8900

National Championship Air Races, 9/17-20, 29th annual, pilots race around closed pylon courses in Unlimited, Formula One, AT-6, and Sport Biplane classes; displays, aerobatics, Reno-Stead Airport, 972-6663

T.A.M.A. Band Concert, 9/18, Truckee Area Musicians Alliance Band, Cal-Neva Lodge, Crystal Bay, 916-546-4602

Tahoe Rim Trail Hike-a-Thon, 9/19, volksmarch at Spooner North Trailhead, Lake Tahoe, 916-577-0676

U.S.S.A. Alter Cup National Sailing Championship, 9/24-26, for two-person teams, Windjammers Yacht Club, South Lake Tahoe, 916-542-1550 or 916-541-2235

A Festival of Fly Fishing '92, 9/25-27 with programs and demonstrations by casting expert Mel Krieger, noted saltwater angler Chico Fernandez, and outdoor photographer R. Valentine Atkinson; fly-tying demonstrations, casting clinics, and commercial exhibits, registration is open to the public, North Tahoe Community Center, 916-662-1002 or 916-758-5103

Tahoe Rim Trail Dedication Ceremonies, 9/26, dedication ceremonies of Tahoe Meadows Trailhead and Whole Access Trail Atop Mount Rose Summit, portions of the Tahoe Rim Trail, 916-577-0676

Bonanza Kennel Club Dog Show, 9/26, dog show, food booths, and vendors, Fuji Park,

Carson City, 887-8822

Genoa Candy Dance Fair, 9/26-27 homemade candy, arts and crafts, fine arts, white elephant sale, special postmark offered by the post office, food booths, Genoa Courthouse Museum open to visitors, free parking with shuttle buses running continually from 9am-6pm Sat.-Sun., dinner and dance at the Genoa Town Hall from 6-9pm Sat., Mormon Station State Historic Park, Genoa, 782-9711 or 782-TOWN

Ferrari Club of America Hill Climb, 9/26-27 races on truck route from Silver City to Virginia City, 847-0311 or 408-756-4119

Autumn Jubilee Food and Wine Festival, 9/27 local restaurants participate, Northstar-at-Tahoe, 916-583-2371

COMING EVENTS

Second Annual Indian Snow Dance, 10/3, Incline Village, 800-GO-TAHOE

Kokanee Salmon Festival, 10/3-4, Lake Tahoe, 916-573-2600

11th Annual Great Italian Festival, 10/5-11, Reno, 786-5700 or 800-777-5325

Columbus Day Parade, 10/10, Reno, 829-1955

Nevada Day Parade, 10/31, Carson City, 882-1565

Rhymer's Rodeer Cowboy Poetry, 11/13-15, Minden, 882-0822

Sparks Sixth Annual Hometowne Christmas, 12/5, 353-2284

SHOWGUIDE

Reno/Sparks

Bally's Reno, 789-2285 or 800-648-3568 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): *Goldwyn Ballroom*: Andrew Dice Clay, 7/4; *Ziegfeld Theatre*: "Legends in Concert," thru 7/5

Circus Circus, 329-0711 or 800-648-5010: Free circus acts, 11am-midnight

Clarion, 825-4700 or 800-762-5190 (anywhere in U.S. and Canada): *Stardance/Beyond Blonde/Glass House/Angel South*, 6/29-7/5; *Stardance/Beyond Blonde/Glass House*, 7/6-12; Herb McQuay and the Palmore Bros./Solid Ground/Network, 7/13-26

Eldorado, 786-5700 or 800-648-4597 (anywhere in U.S. outside Nevada): Danny Marona, thru 7/12; Herman's Hermits, 7/13-26; Pat Collins, 7/14-26; Sonny Turner, 7/28-8/16; Lil Elmo and the Cosmos, 8/3-16; Honolulu, 8/17-9/6; Rob Hanna, 8/18-9/7; Tony Tillman, 9/7-27; Danny Marona, 9/8-27

Fitzgeralds, 785-3300 or 800-648-5022: *Foreign Affair*, 6/29-7/12

Flamingo Hilton Reno, 322-1111: *Flamingo Showroom*: "Heavenly Bodies," revue, thru 9/30 (dark Sun.); *Showspot Lounge*: Zella Lehr, thru 8/2 and 8/18-10/11; Martha's Children, 8/11-16

Harolds Club, 329-0881: Entertainment TBA

Harrah's Reno, 788-3773 or 800-648-3773 (anywhere in U.S. outside Nevada): *Sammy's*

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John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3304 or 800-648-1177: *Celebrity Showroom:* The Forester Sisters/Mark Merchant, 6/25-7/8; Herb Reed and the Platters, 7/9-22; Gary Morris, 7/23-8/5; Brenda Lee/Nick Lewin, 8/6-19; The Lettermen/Joe Yannetty, 8/20-9/2; Lorna Luft, 9/17-30

Peppermill, 826-2121 or 800-648-6992: Tanzania, 6/29-7/5; Double Edge/Lelands, 6/29-7/12; Madison Avenue, 7/6-19; St. Romain, 7/13-16; EZ Money, 7/13-19; David Proud, 7/20-26; Gene and Brenda, 7/20-8/2; Brian and the Dominos, 7/27-8/2; Cameron, 8/3-16; Surprise Package, 8/10-16; Tommy Bell, 8/10-23; John Ritter/Double Edge, 8/17-30; Band on the Run, 8/24-9/6; St. Romain, 8/31-9/13; David Proud, 9/7-20; EZ Money, 9/14-20; Madison Avenue, 9/14-27

Ponderosa, 786-6820: Nightly entertainment

Reno Ramada, 788-2000: Entertainment TBA

Silver Club, Sparks, 358-4771 or 800-648-1137: Network, 7/1-5; Reta and the Wizz Kidz, 7/6-12; Tommy Bell, 7/13-19 and 9/7-20; Foreign Affair, 7/20-8/2; St. Romain, 8/10-16; David Proud, 8/17-23; Perfect Circle, 8/24-30; Whiskey Ridge, 9/1-6; Network, 9/21-27; Foreign Affair, 9/28-10/1

Western Village, Sparks, 331-1069: Entertainment TBA

Carson City/Carson Valley

Carson City Nugget, 882-1626 or 800-426-5239 (Western U.S. outside Nevada): John Ritter Show, 6/30-7/19; Get Ready Show, 7/21-8/9; Big Tiny Little Show, 8/11-30; Blind Date Show, 9/1-20

Carson Station, Carson City, 883-0900: Live entertainment Tues.-Sat.

Carson Valley Inn: Minden, 782-9711 or 800-321-6983 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): *Cabaret Lounge:* Live bands and dancing Mon.-Sat., DJ and oldies records Sun.

Ormsby House, Carson City, 882-1890

Sharkey's Nugget, Gardnerville, 782-3133

Topaz Lodge, Topaz Lake, 266-3339

Lake Tahoe

Bill's Lake Tahoe, Stateline, 588-2455: Entertainment TBA

Caesars Tahoe, Stateline, 588-3515 or 800-648-3353: *Circus Maximus:* Howie Mandel, 7/3-5; Daryl Hall and John Oates, 7/9-12; Reba McEntire, 7/24-26; David Copperfield, 7/29-8/4; Kenny G, 8/6-8; Olivia Newton-John, 8/13-16; Diana Ross, 8/19-23; Tom Jones, 8/28-30; Dolly Parton, 9/3-6

Cal-Neva Lodge, North Tahoe, 832-4000 or 800-225-6382: Pat Collins, The Hip Hypnotist, 7/2-5; Steel Breeze, 7/9-12; Frank Sinatra, Jr., 7/16-19; Mickey Thomas' Starship, 7/23-26; Bay Area Blues Society Caravan of All-Stars Blues Review, 7/30-8/1; Rob Hanna's Salute to Rod Stewart, 8/6-9; Cal-Neva Jazz Festival, 8/13-16; All-Star Comedy Weekend, 8/20-23

Crystal Bay Club, North Tahoe, 831-0512: Contagious, 6/30-7/12; Thin Ice, 7/14-19; Keepin' the Faith, 7/21-8/2; Circuit, 8/4-15;



The Forester Sisters appear at John Ascuaga's Nugget in Sparks through July 8.

Blind Date, 8/18-30; Jubilation, 9/1-13; Martina Marie and Street Talk, 9/15-20

Harrah's Lake Tahoe, Stateline, 588-6606 or 800-648-3773: *South Shore Room:* "Mame" starring Juliet Prowse, thru 9/7; *Stateline Cabaret:* "Beyond Bare Essence," thru 12/31; The Outlaws, 7/2-5; Zasu Pitts Memorial Orchestra, 9/3-6

Harvey's, Stateline, 588-2411 or 800-648-3361: *Emerald Theater:* Danny Marona, 7/14-26, 8/26-9/7; TV's Hottest Ladies of Comedy, 8/7-8 and 8/14-15; *Llewellyn's:* Ron Rose Sound, indf.; *Emerald Party Lounge:* Second Wind, thru 7/5; Tommy Bell, 6/29-7/5; The Act, 7/6-19; Brian and the Dominos, 7/6-26; Inside Out, 7/20-8/2; John Ritter and Castle Rock, 7/27-8/2; Ricky and the Redstreaks, 8/3-9; Checkmates, 8/3-23; Madison Avenue, 8/10-23; Tommy Bell/Melissa Spangler, 8/24-30; Get Ready/Inside Out, 8/31-9/13

Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe, Incline, 831-1111: Entertainment TBA

Lake Tahoe Horizon, Stateline, 588-6211: *Grande Lake Theatre:* "Magic That Rocks The World," 7/3-indf.; *Golden Cabaret:* "Zoom: An Erotic Centerfold Fantasy," indf.; "Bottoms Up '92," indf.

Lakeside Inn, Stateline, 588-7777: Entertainment TBA

Tahoe Biltmore, North Tahoe, 831-0660 or 800-245-8667: "Breathless," revue, thru 9/30; Different Drummer, 7/2-5; Gene and Brenda, 7/9-12 and 7/16-19; Cameron, 7/23-26 and 7/30-8/2; Levi John, 8/6-9 and 8/13-16; The Robeys, 8/20-23 and 8/27-30; Different Drummer, 9/3-6 and 9/10-13

GAMING TOURNEYS

July

Keno, 7/3-4, Peppermill, 689-7290 or 800-648-6992 ext. 7290

Bingo, 7/5 and 7/25, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3300

Slots, 7/5-6, Peppermill, 689-7282 or 800-648-6992 ext. 7282

Slots, 7/5-7 John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3428 or 800-843-2427 ext. 3428

Keno, 7/6-8, Fitzgeralds, 785-3381 or 800-431-3134

Keno, 7/6-8, Harolds Club, 785-3381 or 800-431-3134

Dice, 7/10-11, Harolds Club, 785-3381 or 800-431-3134

Blackjack, 7/10-13, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3428 or 800-843-2427 ext. 3428

Slots, 7/12-15, Flamingo Hilton Reno, 322-1111 or 800-950-2946

Baccarat, 7/15-19, Caesars Tahoe, 588-3515 or 800-BE-LUCKY

Keno, 7/17 Carson Valley Inn, Minden, 782-9711 ext. 623

Slots, 7/17-19 and 7/31-8/2, Comstock, 329-1880 or 800-824-8167

\$250,000 Theme Slot Tournament, 7/19-22, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3428 or 800-843-2427 ext. 3428

Keno, 7/24-26, Comstock, 329-1880 or 800-824-8167

Blackjack, 7/24-26, Harolds Club, 785-3381 or 800-431-3134

Slots, 7/26-28, Eldorado, 786-5700

Blackjack, 7/28, Carson Valley Inn, Minden, 782-9711 ext. 608

August

Bingo, 8/2 and 8/22, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3428 or 800-843-2427 ext. 3428

Slots, 8/2-3, Peppermill, 689-7282 or 800-648-6992 ext. 7282

Keno, 8/9-11, Eldorado, 786-5700

Slots, 8/9-11 and 8/23-25, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3428 or 800-843-2427 ext. 3428

Video Poker, 8/9, Bill's Lake Tahoe, 586-2471 or 586-2412

Slots, 8/10-12, Fitzgeralds, 785-3381 or 800-431-3134

'92 Comstock Games, 8/14-16, slots, keno, and blackjack, Comstock, 329-1880 or 800-824-8167

Slots, 8/15, Tahoe Biltmore, Crystal Bay, 831-0660 or 800-245-8667

Slots, 8/16-19 and 8/30-9/2, Flamingo Hilton Reno, 322-1111 or 800-950-2946

Slots, 8/16-18, Harvey's, Lake Tahoe, 588-2411 or 800-553-1022, Touch 4

Blackjack, 8/29, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3428 or 800-843-2427 ext. 3428

Pai Gow Poker, 8/30-9/2, Flamingo Hilton Reno, 322-1111 or 800-950-2946

September

Bingo, 9/6 and 9/26, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3428 or 800-843-2427 ext. 3428

Slots, 9/8-10, Lake Tahoe Horizon, 588-6211

Slots, 9/13-15, Eldorado, 786-5700

Slots, 9/13-15 and 9/27-30, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3428 or 800-843-2427 ext. 3428

Blackjack, 9/13-16, Flamingo Hilton Reno, 322-1111 or 800-950-2946

Slots, 9/20-22, Comstock, 329-1880 or 800-824-8167

Keno, 9/25-27 Comstock, 329-1880 or 800-824-8167

Slots, 9/25-27 Peppermill, 689-7282 or 800-648-6992 ext. 7282

Blackjack, 9/27-28, Lake Tahoe Horizon, 588-6211

Slots, 9/27-29, Harvey's, Lake Tahoe, 588-2411 or 800-553-1022, Touch 4

Slots, 9/27-30, Flamingo Hilton Reno, 322-1111 or 800-950-2946

MUSEUMS

Carson City

Nevada State Archives: 8-5 Mon.-Fri., 3579 Hwy. 50 E., 687-5210

Nevada State Museum: 8:30-4:30 daily, 600 N. Carson St., 687-4810

Nevada State Railroad Museum: 8:30-4:30 Wed.-Sun., S. Carson St. at Fairview Dr., 687-6953

Roberts House Museum: 1207 Carson St., hours vary, call 882-1805

Stewart Indian Museum: 9-4 every day, 5366 Snyder Ave., 882-1808

Warren Engine Co. No. 1 Museum: 1-5 Mon.-Fri., 111 N. Curry St., 887-2200

Genoa

Genoa Courthouse Museum: 10-4:30 daily May 1-Oct. 15 (tentative), closed during winter, 782-4325

Reno

Fleischmann Planetarium: 8-5 and 7-10 Mon.-Fri., 10:30-5 and 7-10 Sat.-Sun., UNR, call 784-4811 for schedule of shows

Harolds Club Gun Collection and Museum: 10-10 daily, 329-0881

Liberty Belle Slot Collection: 11-11 daily, 4250 S. Virginia St., in Liberty Belle Saloon and Restaurant, 825-1776

Mackay School of Mines Minerals Museum: 8-5 Mon.-Fri., UNR, 784-6988



Photographer Debbie Zwirtz captured this unusual shot of the Virginia City July 4th fireworks last summer. Independence Day is celebrated throughout the state.

Nevada Historical Society Museum: 10-5 Mon.-Sat., 1650 N. Virginia St., 688-1190

Nevada Museum of Art, W. L. Wiegand Gallery: 160 W. Liberty St., 10-4 Tues.-Sat., noon-4 Sun., call 329-3333

UNR Anthropology Dept. Research Museum: 9-1 Mon.-Fri. Sept.-May, open all year by appointment, UNR, 784-4686

Wilbur D. May Museum: 10-5 Wed.-Sun., 1502 Washington (Rancho San Rafael Park), 785-5961

William F. Harrah Foundation National Automobile Museum: 9:30-5:30 daily, 10 Lake St. S., 333-9300

Sparks

Sparks Heritage Foundation and Museum: 1-4 Wed.-Sun., 820 B St., 355-1144

Virginia City

Comstock Firemen's Museum: 10-4 daily May-Oct., closed during winter, 847-0717

Fourth Ward School Museum: 10-5 daily May-early Nov., closed during winter, 847-0975

Julia C. Bulette Red Light Museum: 7:30-9 daily, 847-9991

Mackay Mansion: 10-6 daily June-Oct., 11-5 daily Nov.-May, 847-0173

Mark Twain Museum: 10-6 daily, 847-0525

Museum of Memories: 9:30-5 daily, 847-0454

Nevada Gambling Museum: 10-6 daily, 847-0789

The Castle: 11-5 daily Memorial Day-Oct., closed during winter, 847-0275

The Way It Was Museum: 9:30-5 daily, 847-0766

Wild West Museum: 9-5 daily, 847-0400

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For chamber of commerce and convention center phone numbers, see page E-4

COWBOY COUNTRY



July

Art Exhibit, thru 7/21, oils, watercolor, drawings by Lynn Farrar of Mapleton, UT, Northeastern Nevada Museum, Elko, 738-3418

Archaeological Excavations of Prehistoric Sites in Ruby Valley, 6/30-7/9, 7/13-23, and 7/27-8/5, U.S. Forest Service, BLM, and UNR invite volunteers to participate in excavations at 14 prehistoric sites associated with extinct marshes and lakes, 50 mile southeast of Elko in Ruby Valley, for information call Humboldt National Forest, 738-5171

Art Exhibit, 7/2-8/18, watercolor, gouache, and mixed media Nevada landscapes by Darlene Novy-Zuelke of Silver Springs, Northeastern Nevada Museum, Elko, 738-3418

Twin States Stampede, 7/3-4, McDermitt, 532-8742

National Basque Festival, 7/3-5, on Fri. dance at Stockmen's Hotel, on Sat. 11am parade to fairgrounds, weight contests and wood chopping, sheep dog trials, sheep hooking, handball, dancing to Basque-American music; on Sun. bread-baking contest, Mass in Basque, dance group exhibitions, *irrintzi* contest, jota contest, Elko, 738-7547

Photography and Geology Adventures in Nevada, 7/3-5, low environmental impact tent camping combined with photography and geology lessons offered by Nevada photographer Linda Dufurrena and geologist and teacher Carolyn Dufurrena, Pine Forest Mountain, 941-0357

Jackpot 200 Off-Road Race, 7/4, 755-2321 ext. 6709

Lovelock Fourth of July, 7/4, 10am kiddie



Riding a historic train is part of the fun at Ely's Nevada Northern Railfair in September

parade, booths, fireworks at McDougal Sports Complex, 273-7213

Jackpot National Hollerin' Contest, 7/4, hollerers compete in pioneer-day communication skills, open to all, 2pm, \$150 first place, \$100 second, and \$50 third, Shoshone Canyon, two miles south of Jackpot, 755-2321 ext. 6716

Jackpot National Golf Club Throwing Contest, 7/4, open to men and women, sponsored by Cactus Pete's, Jackpot Golf Course, 755-7321 ext. 6709

Carl Hayden Daze Celebration, 7/4-5, second annual, Cactus Pete's honors the 83-year-old publicist, art shows, music, dancing, barbecues, and hoedown, Cactus Pete's, Jackpot, 755-2321 ext. 6709

Winnemucca Junior Rodeo, 7/4-5, fairgrounds, 623-5713 or 623-3193

Jarbridge Fourth of July, 7/4-5, parade, pit roast barbecue, live music, Tall Tales Contest finals, Community Hall, Outdoor Inn, and Red Dog Saloon, Jarbridge, 488-2315

Shoshone-Paiute Annual Powwow, 7/4-5, Owyhee, 757-3161

Safety Olympiad, 7/10-11, mine safety teams compete, Elko Convention Center, 738-4091

Photography and Geology Adventures in Nevada, 7/10-12, low environmental impact tent camping combined with photography and geology lessons offered by Nevada photographer Linda Dufurrena and geologist and teacher Carolyn Dufurrena, Lovely Valley, Bilk Creek Mountains, 941-0357

Two-Man Best Ball Golf Tourney, 7/11-12, State Line Casino, Wendover, 664-2221 or

800-648-9668

Art in the Park, 7/18-19, handcrafted artwork, original paintings, home baked food, games, City Park, Elko, 738-7135 or 738-1553

Art Exhibit, 7/23-9/8, Great Basin buckaroo gear photographs by C.J. Hadley of Washoe Valley, chain saw sculptures by John Carter of Starr Valley, Northeastern Nevada Museum, Elko, 738-3418

Silver State Stampede, 7/25-26, Elko, 702-738-1499 or 702-738-4835

Mixed Ball Golf Tournament, 7/26-27 State Line Casino, Wendover, 664-2221 or 800-648-9668

Second Annual Discover Jarbridge, Nevada Days, 7/31-8/2, concert by cowboy singer, poet, comedian, and songwriter Stan Howe, Oregon Trail Muzzleloaders Trade Rendezvous with mountain men display and demonstrations, chili cook-off, antique fair, jam sessions, baked food auction, Tsawhawbitts Ranch Bed and Breakfast, Jarbridge, 100 miles north of Elko, 488-2338

August

Lovelock Frontier Days, 8/1-2, parade, barbecue, games, contests including weight carrying and arm wrestling, art show, flea market, City Park, Lovelock, 273-2272

Winnemucca Barrel Futurity and Derby, 8/1-2, third annual, barrel racers compete for money, saddles, and buckles, fairgrounds, Winnemucca, 623-9281

Lovelock Junior Rodeo, 8/8-9, run, ride, and lead, Pee Wee events, stick-horse barrel race, and dummy roping, rodeo grounds, Love-

PREVIEW

A Fair Time of Year

Warm days, cotton candy, grandma's quilts, blue ribbons, and farm animals are the ingredients of an old-fashioned fair. In Nevada, fairs continue to be an important ritual of summer, especially in the smaller counties. Following is a schedule of some of the 1992 county and state fairs:

Silver State International Rodeo of Nevada, July 2-5, Fallon, 702-423-4674 or 423-2581
 Capital City Fair, July 24-26, Carson City, 702-882-4460 or 702-887-3942
 Silver State Stampede, July 25-26, Elko, 702-738-1499 or 702-738-4835
 Nevada State Fair, August 12-16, Reno, 702-322-4424
 Lincoln County Fair, August 15-22, Panaca, 702-728-4266 or 702-726-3333
 Eureka County Fair, August 21-23, Eureka, 702-237-5326



A boy grooms his sheep at the 1991 Tri-County Fair in Winnemucca.

Lyon County Fair and Rodeo, August 20-23, Yerington, 702-463-3721 or 702-463-2635
 White Pine County Fair, August 29-30, Ely, 702-289-8877
 Elko County Fair and Livestock Show, September 1-7, Elko, 702-738-3616
 Tri-County Fair and Rodeo, September 5-6, Winnemucca, 702-623-5071
 Pahump Harvest Festival Fair and PRCA Rodeo, September 18-20, Pahump, 702-727-5800 or 727-5363
 Ely Fall Fun Fair, September 23-27, Ely, 702-289-6323
 Las Vegas Jaycees State Fair, October 2-11, Las Vegas, 702-457-8832
 North Las Vegas Fairshow and Hot-Air Balloon Races, October 23-25, North Las Vegas, 702-642-1944.

rodeo, tri-county fair, Western Art Round-Up, buckaroo poetry, parade, street dance, and barbecue, 623-5071 or 623-2225

Annual Labor Day Weekend Corn Feed, 9/5-6, pit roasted ears of corn with all the trimmings, live music, benefit for community service, Outdoor Inn, Jarbidge, 488-2315

Labor Day Civil War Reenactment, 9/5-6, Civil War period living history, camp activities, mock battles, ladies' handwork, children's games, Pioneer Park, Winnemucca, 623-4396

One-Man Scramble Championship, 9/8-9, State Line Casino, Wendover, 664-2221 or 800-648-9668

Fall Festival of Art, 9/10-10/20, Northeastern Nevada Museum, Elko, 738-3418

Race to the Angel, 9/12, seventh annual half marathon (13.1 miles), includes walking, running, and road and mountain bike divisions, starts at Muscle Boutique in Wells and ends at Angel Lake, 752-3267 or 752-3868

Parimutuel Racing and Team Penning, 9/12-13, fairgrounds, Winnemucca, 623-5071

Mill Creek Showcase, 9/19, volunteers work on restoration of Mill Creek, includes barbecue, Mill Creek, 20 miles south of Battle Mountain, 635-4000

Sound-Off Car Show and Swap Meet, 9/19, classic cars, special Corvette and Model A show, City Park and Elko Convention Center parking lot, 738-4091

Parimutuel Racing and Ranch Hand Rodeo, 9/19-20, fairgrounds, Winnemucca, 623-5071

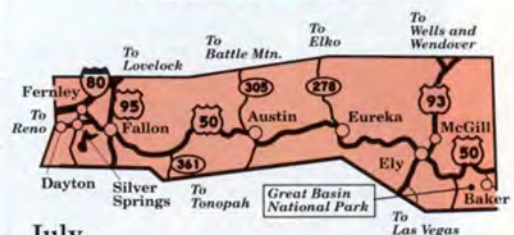
Art Show, 9/23-10/20, wildlife, florals, and landscapes by Dixie Botsford of Ogden, UT, Northeastern Nevada Museum, Elko, 738-3418

Nevada State 4-H Expo, 9/24-27, exhibits by 4-H members from throughout the state, fairgrounds, Winnemucca, 784-6206

Diamondfield Jack Daze, 9/26-27, endurance horse race, fiddle, banjo, and guitar picking contest, art exhibition, Jackpot, 755-2321 ext. 6709

Health Fair, 9/27, Elko Convention Center, 738-4091

PONY EXPRESS TERRITORY



July

Silver State International Rodeo, 7/2-5, rodeo for reserve champion cowboys and cowgirls from 37 states and three Canadian provinces, dances, trade show, scholarship auction, queen contest, Churchill County Regional Park, Fallon, 423-4674 or 423-2581

In Search of the Holy Gale, 7/3-4, landsailing regatta on the Black Rock Desert, (location may change due to surface and weather conditions), Gerlach, 557-2500

White Pine Public Museum Day, 7/4 (tentative), living history exhibits including flint knapping, quilting, blacksmithing, bucka-

lock, 273-2968

Wendover USA Airshow, 8/8-9, 664-3414

Cactus Pete's-Ronald McDonald House Golf Tournament, 8/14-16, Jackpot, 755-2321 or 800-442-3833 ext. 6705

Nevada Open Horse Show and Cow Horse Futurity, 8/15-16, more than 200 contestants compete in several cutting classes, fairgrounds, Winnemucca, 623-5071

44th Annual Bonneville Speed Week, 8/15-22, land speed racing and time trials, car show, Bonneville Salt Flats, five miles west of Wendover, 664-3414 or 714-783-8293

County 4-H Dress Revue and Skit Night, 8/19, annual show of sewing projects, skit competition, Elko Convention Center, 738-4091

Art Show, 8/20-9/21, 25 rare photographs by Ansel Adams and Edward Weston, Northeastern Nevada Museum, Elko, 738-3418

Nevada Stallion Stakes, 8/29, third annual,

stock horses snafflebit futurity, fairgrounds, Elko, 753-6633

Wendover's Casino Classic Open and Pro-Am, 8/30-9/1, State Line Casino, Wendover, 664-2221 or 800-648-9668

September

Elko County Fair and Livestock Show and Race Meet, 9/1-7, county fair, 4-H livestock show and sale, parimutuel betting on quarterhorse and thoroughbred racing, stock horse show, team penning and branding, home art exhibits, fairgrounds, Elko, 738-3616

Black Rock Art Festival, 9/4-7, seventh annual, Nevada and California artists will display artwork, a four-story sculpture of a human figure entitled "Burning Man" will be built and destroyed, lectures on the environment, 345-0536 or 415-621-3675

Winnemucca Labor Day Weekend, 9/5-6,

PREVIEW



A way of life is celebrated at the Western Art Round-Up and Tri-County Fair and Rodeo.

Quick Drawers

The Western Art Round-Up in Winnemucca is an opportunity on Labor Day Weekend to corral fine art, meet the artists, and visit with some western pioneers—mule skimmers, horse-shoers, freighters, and horse trainers.

This year's Round-Up is September 4-7 and will show the works of more than 40 western artists, including more than 250 original works, in the town's convention center. The artists will be vying for the Round-Up Award for Buckaroo Heritage. Many of the painters, sculptors, and gear makers will give demonstrations and short seminars about their work.

A highlight is the "Quick Draw" event on Saturday, September 5, at 4 p.m., when artists paint, draw, or sculpt on the spot. At the end of the 40-minute time limit the artwork, along with handmade horse gear, will be offered at auction.

For more information, call 702-623-5071 or write the convention center at 50 Winnemucca Boulevard, Winnemucca, NV 89445.

There will be a ceremony celebrating the town's Buckaroo Hall of Fame. Also, the Winnemucca Rodeo and Tri-County Fair takes place the same weekend.

roo crafts, Shoshone singing and dancing, traditional Native American crafts, mountain men, gold and garnet panning, free, 10am-4pm. Running concurrently will be a guest lecture series including cowboy poetry, storytelling, and history of the Great Basin, White Pine Public Museum, Ely, 289-4710

Fernley Fourth of July, 7/4, 10am parade, noon barbecue, kids' games, greased pig contest, arts and crafts, live music, dance, fireworks, Out-of-Town Park, Fernley, 575-4384 or 575-4459

Eureka Fourth of July, 7/4, barbecue in the park, team roping at fairgrounds, fireworks, 237-5484

The Ghost Train of Old Ely Train Rides, 7/4-5 and 7/18-19, steam-powered excursions aboard Nevada Northern's historic passenger train pulled by Baldwin steamer 4-6-0, No. 40, dating from 1910, 14-mile trip takes about 90 minutes, Nevada Northern Railway, East Ely, 289-2085

Belmont Courthouse Open House, 7/11, informal tours of historic courthouse from 11am-2pm, Belmont, 867-3001

Campground Sing-Along, 7/11, 7pm, Silver

Springs Beach No. 7 Amphitheater, Lahontan State Recreation Area, 867-3500

Hidden Cave Tour, 7/11, 9:30am, Churchill County Museum, Fallon, 423-3677

The Twilight Special Train Rides, 7/11 and 7/25, diesel excursions powered by a vintage Alco RS-3 diesel locomotive, Nevada Northern Railway, East Ely, 289-2085

Fallon All-Indian Stampede and Powwow, 7/17-19, 10am parade Sat., fairgrounds, Fallon, 423-2544

Eureka Horse Show, 7/18-19, fairgrounds, 237-5314 or 237-5105

All-Indian Rodeo, 7/25-26, Duckwater Shoshone Tribe, fairgrounds, Eureka, 863-0227

August

Black Powder Shoot and Barbecue, 8/1, fourth annual, barbecue, black powder competition, women's skillet throw contest, hatchet throw, raffle, live music, Steptoe Valley Volunteer Fire Department fundraiser, Cherry Creek Community Center, 591-0405

Bristlecone Arts in the Park, 8/1-2, arts and crafts, food, and entertainment, White Pine

County Park, Ely, 289-3435, 289-4038, or 289-2671

Second Annual Budge Stanton Memorial Co-Ed Softball Tournament, 8/1-2, to raise money for the Budge Stanton Memorial Scholarship Fund, initiated by Ely Shoshone Youth Council, Marich Field Softball Complex, Ely, 289-3013

The Ghost Train of Old Ely Train Rides, 8/1-2 and 8/15-16, steam-powered excursions aboard Nevada Northern's historic passenger train pulled by Baldwin steamer 4-6-0, No. 40, dating from 1910, 14-mile trip takes about 90 minutes, Nevada Northern Railway, East Ely, 289-2085

4-H Achievement Day, 8/7-8, fairgrounds, Fal-lon, 423-2544

Hidden Cave Tour, 8/8, 9:30am, Churchill County Museum, Fallon, 423-3677

The Twilight Special Train Rides, 8/8, 8/22, and 8/29, diesel excursions powered by a vintage Alco RS-3 diesel locomotive, Nevada Northern Railway, East Ely, 289-2085

Eureka County Fair, 8/21-23, 237-5326

Magic Slim and the Teardrops, 8/22, south-side Chicago blues by the 1989 Grammy Award winner, Fallon Community Center, 423-1440

Horse Racing, 8/22-23 and 8/29-30, fair-grounds, Ely, 289-8877

White Pine County Fair and Horse Racing, 8/29-30, fairgrounds, Ely, 289-8877

September

Hearts of Gold Cantaloupe Festival, 9/4-7 Fallon, 423-2544

Nevada Northern Railroad, 9/5-6, parade, Bat-tle of the Rails, displays, crafts and food booths, Ely, 289-2085 or 289-8877

The Ghost Train of Old Ely Train Rides, 9/5-6, steam-powered excursions aboard Nevada Northern's historic passenger train pulled by Baldwin steamer 4-6-0, No. 40, dating from 1910, 14-mile trip takes about 90 minutes, Nevada Northern Railway, East Ely, 289-2085

NAS Fallon Drag Races, 9/5-6, time trials on Sat., main event and finals on Sun., funny car and top alcohol dragsters, advance tickets are \$8 for Sat., \$10 Sun., tickets at gate are \$8 for Sat., \$12 Sun., children 11 and under free, pit passes available, gates open at 7am, first flag drops at 8am, Naval Air Station, Fallon, 426-2836

Lions Club Junior Rodeo and Parade, 9/5-7 Fallon, 423-2544

Ceramicarama, 9/5-7 show and sale of wares and art by John and Mary Bogard, Planet X Pottery, eight miles west of Gerlach, 557-2500

Hidden Cave Tour, 9/12, 9:30am, Churchill County Museum, Fallon, 423-3677

The Twilight Special Train Rides, 9/12, diesel excursions powered by a vintage Alco RS-3 diesel locomotive, Nevada Northern Railway, East Ely, 289-2085

Rockport's American Discovery Trail-Blazer Day, 9/12, walk and mark portions of the 4,920-mile American Discovery Trail that passes through 13 states and the District of Columbia, 800-343-WALK

Red Shuttleworth Performance, 9/19, "Heart 'N Saddle Saloon" (a world premiere) and "They Dream Ghost Riders," two free verse plays about the contemporary American West by 1989 NSCA playwrighting fellowship

recipient Red Shuttleworth, Fallon Elks Lodge, 423-1440

Dayton Valley Days, 9/19-20, crafts, antiques, quilt show children's games, barbecue, horseshoe tournament, Historic Trail Town with living history demonstrations, cowboy poetry, live music, noodle sucking, and zucchini contests, Dayton, 246-3281 or 246-0188
Ely Fall Fun Fair, 9/23-27 289-6323

PIONEER TERRITORY



July

Berlin-Ichthyosaur Fossil House and Berlin Ghost Town Tours, ranger leads tours and discussions of the state park's 225-million-year-old ichthyosaur fossils and conducts tours of the Berlin ghost town site, call for times and days, Berlin-Ichthyosaur State



Eureka's July Fourth fun includes a pie eating contest (above), team roping, and fireworks.

Park, 964-2440 or 867-3001

Summer Art Extravaganza, thru 7/11, artwork by Nevada artists, workshops, celebration of newly reopened gallery Francois Pioche

Gallery, Pioche, 962-5565 or 726-3698

Summer Slide Shows, thru 7/25, every Sat., Central Nevada Museum, Tonopah, 482-9676

Saturday Night Park Programs, thru 9/12, every Sat., 8:30pm, Cathedral Gorge State Park, 10 miles south of Pioche, 728-4467

Wiley Days, 7/2-5, ninth annual Independence Day celebration, parade, barbecue, Old West shoot-outs by the High Desert Drifters and Blue Canyon Gang, cow chip throwing, horseshoes, egg toss, flag ceremony live country music, fireworks, \$60 per person includes all meals and entertainment, contact Herb Robbins, Star Route 30, Gold Point, 89013, 916-944-3317

Pahrump Fourth of July, 7/4, fifth annual Un-Horse Derby with jockeys on stick horses, fireworks, Community Park, Pahrump, 727-5800

Rachel Fourth of July, 7/4, fireworks, Rachel, 729-2515

Firemen's Fourth of July, 7/4, 6am breakfast, ball games, kids' games, fireworks, Dixon Park, Caliente, 726-3129

The First Campers, 7/4, slide program on the prehistoric dwellers who lived in eastern Nevada, Cathedral Gorge State Park, 10 miles south of Pioche, 728-4467

Campfire Programs, 7/4 and 7/18, park rangers give slide programs on edible plants, the Toiyabe Wilderness, and Tonopah, 8:30pm, Berlin-Ichthyosaur State Park, 577-2345

Caliente Grand Prix, 7/5, motorcycle race

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across countryside in Lincoln County, 8am lineup, public welcome, pit at Dixon Park, Caliente, 726-3647 or 641-6401

Lincoln County Rodeo Series, 7/10-11 and 8/21-22, July rodeo held in Caliente, August rodeo held during Lincoln County Fair in Panaca, 726-3333 or 728-4682

Chili Cook-Off, 7/11, chili tasting, novelty and food vendors, raffle, VFW Hall, Hawthorne, 945-2313

Nevada's Place Names, 7/11, slide program identifying the origins of Nevada's colorful place names and what can be seen there, 8:30pm, Cathedral Gorge State Park, 10 miles south of Pioche, 728-4467

Walker 100, 7/11-12 (tentative; call ahead), boat races, Walker Lake, 945-5896

Marine Barracks Reunion, 7/17-19, reunion for Marines that were stationed at Hawthorne between 1930 and 1977 Hawthorne Convention Center, 945-3563

Silver Wildlife, 7/18, slide program by the Nevada Wildlife Society, explains the habits and habitats of some of Nevada's wildlife, Cathedral Gorge State Park, 10 miles south of Pioche, 728-4467

Rodeo and El Capitan Bike Show, 7/24-26, motorcycle field events, cash prizes, dinner, and dance, headquarters, dinner and dance at El Capitan, events at rodeo grounds, Hawthorne, 945-3613

Pioneer Day, 7/25, Panaca, 726-3333

Berlin Canyon Hike, 7/25, ranger leads hike up Berlin Canyon to view local flora and fauna, Berlin-Ichthyosaur State Park, 964-



Traditional Native American dress highlights the Saturday parade during Fallon's All-Indian Stampede and Rodeo on July 17-19.

2440 or 867-3001

Pioche Heritage Days, 7/29-8/1, 10th annual,

local actors depict events and true stories from Pioche's history, Town Hall, Pioche, 962-5544

August

Giant Garage Sale, 8/1-2, 19th annual, 8am-5pm Sat., 9am-3pm Sun., refreshments available, benefit for Smith Valley Community Hall, Wellington, 465-2304 or 465-2453

Goldfield Treasure Days, 8/15-16, 485-9957
Lincoln County Fair, 8/15-22, Panaca, 726-3333

Lyon County Fair and Rodeo, 8/20-23, rodeo, carnival, pig scramble, sheep rodeo, frog jumping, horseshoe pitching, demolition derby, truck and tractor pull, hay booming, craft booths, fairgrounds, Yerington, 463-3721 or 463-2635

Mineral County Fair, 8/28-30, exhibits and doll show at convention center, photo show at Mineral County Museum, carnival and vendors at Ladybird Park, Hawthorne, 945-5854

September

Labor Day Celebration, 9/4-7 Pioche, 726-3333

VORRA Off-Road Race, 9/5-7 250-mile race, on Fri. welcoming party and drawing for starting positions, on Sat. tech inspection and parade of cars down Main Street in Yerington, on Sun. 9am race and 9pm awards ceremony, race headquarters at Casino West in Yerington, 463-3721 or 463-3731

Rockport's American Discovery Trail-Blazer Day, 9/12, walk and mark portions of the new 4,920-mile American Discovery Trail that passes through 13 states and the District of Columbia, 800-343-WALK

Meadow Valley Days, 9/18-20, Caliente, 726-3333

Harvest Festival Rodeo, 9/18-20, PRCA rodeo, deep-pit barbecue, carnival, rodeo grounds and Community Park, Pahrump, 727-5800 or 727-5363

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Elko: Commercial Hotel, 738-3181: Debbie McIntyre, 6/29-7/11; The Motifs, 7/13-25; Brazos, 7/27-8/8. Red Lion, 738-2111 or 800-545-0044 (Western U.S. outside Nevada). Stockmen's Hotel, 738-5141

Jackpot: Cactus Pete's, 755-2321 or 800-821-1103 (anywhere in U.S. outside Nevada): Dazzle, thru 7/26; Danny Marona, 7/28-8/9; Gary Puckett, 9/22-27. Horseshu Casino, 755-2331

Mill City: (On I-80) Burns Bros. Mr. B's Lounge, 538-7306: Midnight Gambler, 7/3-4; David Grimes and Diamond Ridge Band, 7/8-11; Cross Fire, 7/15-18; The Hat Band, 7/22-25; The Key Notes, 7/29-8/1

Wendover: Nevada Crossing, 664-4000. Peppermill, 664-2255 or 800-648-9660 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): Sneak Preview/Splash, 6/29-7/12; Sweet Seduction, 7/13-26; Freeway, 7/21-8/2; Deloach, 7/27-

8/9; Tammy Allen/RSVP, 8/3-6; The All-Nighters, 8/10-23; Lelands, 8/17-30; Area Code 402, 8/31-9/13; Edy Gainer/Dezire, 8/31-9/13; Band on the Run, 9/14-27 Red Garter, 664-2111 or 800-982-2111 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): Mon. Night Comedy at 9pm, live music Tues.-Sun. Silver Smith, 664-2231 or 800-648-9668. State Line, 664-2221 or 800-648-9668: Tammy Wynette, 8/3-4; Chubby Checker, 8/5-6

Winnemucca: Winners Hotel, 623-2511: Jam-track, 6/30-7/5; David Proud, 7/7-12; Melissa Spangler, 7/14-19; Contagious, 7/21-26; Shake, Rattle, and Roll, 7/28-8/2; The Fabulous Chevelles, 8/4-9; Victory, 8/11-16

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Fallon: Bonanza Inn, 423-6031: The Ross Lewis Duo, 7/3-4. Fallon Nugget, 423-3111

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Pahrump: Saddle West Casino, 727-5953

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Yerington: Casino West, 463-2481: Blue Flame, indf. Dini's Lucky Club, 463-2868: Entertainment on weekends

MUSEUMS

Cowboy Country

Buckaroo Hall of Fame and Heritage Museum: 9-4 Mon.-Sat., 50 Winnemucca Blvd. West, Winnemucca, 529-0452

Humboldt Museum, 10-4 Mon.-Fri., 1-4 Sat., Winnemucca, 623-2912

Marzen House Museum, 9-2 Mon.-Fri., 1:30-4 Sat.-Sun., Lovelock, 273-7213

Northeastern Nevada Museum, 9-5 Mon.-Sat., 1-5 Sun., 1515 Idaho St., Elko, 738-3418

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Cherry Creek Museum, 10-5 Sat.-Sun., closed Mon., Star Route 1, Cherry Creek, 591-0411 or 591-9906

Churchill County Museum and Hidden Cave, 10-4 Mon.-Wed. and Fri.-Sat., noon-4 Sun., 1050 S. Maine St., Fallon, 423-3677 For Hidden Cave tours call Carson City BLM, 885-6000

Eureka Sentinel Museum, open April 15-Oct. 13, hours vary, call 237-5484, Eureka

Nevada Northern Railway Museum, 8:30-4:30 daily, May 27-Oct. 1, closed during winter, East Ely, 289-2085

White Pine Public Museum, 9-5 Mon.-Fri., 10-4 Sat.-Sun., 2000 Aultman St., Ely, 289-4710

Pioneer Territory

Central Nevada Museum, 12-5 Tues.-Sat., Tonopah, 482-9676

Lincoln County Museum, 9-5 Mon.-Sat., 10-5 Sun. (closes from 12:30-1:30 for lunch), closed during winter, Pioche, 962-5207

Lyon County Museum, 10-4 Sat., 1-4 Sun., Yerington

Mineral County Museum, 11-5 Mon.-Fri. from May-Sept., noon-4 Mon.-Fri. from Oct.-April, Hawthorne, 945-5142

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Colorado Belle/Orleans Room—298-4000. Steak, seafood, lamb chops, linguini. D. \$, major.

Edgewater/The Embers—298-2453. Steak, seafood,

prime rib, Midwestern beef. D. \$, major.

Riverside/Gourmet Room—298-2535. Chateaubriand, Cajun dishes, steak and quail, rack of lamb; wine steward. D. \$, major.

Riverside/Prime Rib Room—298-2535. Salad, potato, vegetable, and dessert bar, prime rib. D. \$, major.

Sam's Town Gold River/Sutter's Mill—298-2242. Mesquite-broiled steaks. Brunch Sat.-Sun., D. \$, AE, MC, V.

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AMERICAN

Carson Nugget/Buffer—882-1626. Sun. champagne brunch, Sat. breakfast buffet, Fri. seafood buffet. B, L, D. \$, major.

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SEPTEMBER

Winnemucca: Thoroughbred, Quarter Mule
 Pari-Mutuel Racing, Ranch Hand Rodeo
Battle Mountain: Covered Wagon Days
 Trail Ride
Wendover: World of Speed
Wells: Race to Angel
Jackpot: Diamondfield Jack Endurance
 Horse Race



AUGUST

Wendover: Bonneville Speed Week
Lovelock: Frontier Days
Winnemucca: Nevada Open Horse Show
 & Futurity
 Hot August Nights Winnemucca
Elko: Silver State Stampede



OCTOBER

Wendover: World Finals Speed Racing



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Winnemucca: Buckaroo Heritage Western
 Art Round Up, Tri-County Fair & Rodeo
Elko: Elko County Fair & Livestock Show &
 Pari-Mutuel Racing

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 brunch. \$-\$\$, major.

Carson Valley Inn/Katie's—Minden, 782-9711. Four-
 course prime rib dinner, steak and lobster, half-
 pound burgers. B, L, D. \$, major.

Comstock Hotel/Miner's Cafe—200 W. 2nd St., 329-
 1880. One-pound New York steak dinner. 24 hours.
 \$, major.

Gold Hill Hotel/Crown Point—1 mile south of
 Virginia City, 847-0111. D. \$\$, major.

Harrah's Reno/Garden Room—786-3232. Eggs
 Benedict, avocado clubhouse. B, L, D. \$, major.

Harrah's Reno/Skyway—786-3232. Buffets, Sun.
 brunch. B, L, D. \$, major.

Holiday Inn/Greenhouse—5851 S. Virginia St., 825-
 2940. Sandwiches, burgers, dinners. B, L, D. \$, ma-
 jor.

John Ascuaga's Nugget/General Store—Sparks, 356-
 3300. Prime rib, giant apple pancake, seafood
 Louis. B, L, D. \$, major.

John Ascuaga's Nugget/Rotisserie—Sparks, 356-3300.
 Buffet; Sunday brunch. L, D. \$-\$\$, major.

Peppermill/Coffee Shop—2707 S. Virginia St., 826-
 2121. Fruit salads, lasagna, gourmet omelets. B, L,
 D. \$\$, major.

Peppermill/Island Buffet—2707 S. Virginia St., 826-
 2121. Salad bar with fresh shrimp and crab legs and
 homemade pasta. Sun. brunch. B, L, D. \$-\$\$, major.

Riverboat Restaurant and Coffeshop—323-8877.
 Chicken and ribs, Cajun baked chicken with beef or
 pork ribs, open 24 hours. B, L, D. \$, major.

Sharkey's Nugget—Gardnerville, 782-3133. Prime rib
 is house specialty. B, L, D. \$, no CC.

BASQUE

Louis' Basque Corner—301 E. 4th St., Reno, 323-7203.
 Sweetbreads, tripe, paella, other seafood dishes. L,
 D. \$\$, major.

FRENCH/CONTINENTAL

Bally's/Cafe Gigi—789-2266. French, cracked crab,
 snails, lobster bisque, chateaubriand, veal Oscar. D.
 \$\$\$\$, major.

Eldorado/The Vintage—786-5700. Continental cui-
 sine, daily specials, choice dry-aged beef, mesquite-
 grilled. Complimentary wine tastings from award-
 winning wine list. D. \$\$, major.

Flamingo Hilton/Top of the Hilton—322-1111.
 Salmon with three sauces, roast duck with raspber-
 ry sauce, roast prime rib. D. \$\$\$, major.

Harrah's Reno/Steak House—786-3232. Steak Diane,
 fresh fish daily, roast rack of lamb. L (Mon.-Fri.), D.
 \$\$\$, major.

Peppermill/Le Moulin—826-2121. Tournedos of beef
 a la Diane, veal a la Oscar, Dover sole meuniere. D.
 \$\$, major.

INTERNATIONAL

Eldorado/Choices—786-5700. An express cafe with
 Italian, Chinese, and American cuisine, deli, bak-
 ery, ice cream. B, L, D. \$, major.

Eldorado/Tivoli Gardens—786-5700. Multi-ethnic, 24-
 hour restaurant and entertainment attraction.
 Italian, South American, Caribbean, Thai,
 Szechuan, Vietnamese, Cantonese, and American
 cuisine. B, L, D. \$, major.

ITALIAN

Bally's/Caruso's—789-2267. Fresh oysters, canneleri,
 calamari. D. \$\$\$, major.

Eldorado/La Strada—786-5700. Northern Italian cui-
 sine with veal, chicken, and seafood entrees plus
 homemade pasta, sauces, and desserts. Award-
 winning wine list. D. \$\$, major.

Harrah's Reno/Cafe Andreotti—786-3232. Italian fa-
 vorites and specialty items served in a casual,
 friendly atmosphere. D. \$\$, major.

ORIENTAL

Bally's/China Seas—789-2268. Mandarin shrimp,
 Mongolian beef, cashew chicken. D (closed Sun.).
 \$\$, major.

Comstock Hotel/Fah Choy—329-1880. All you can eat
 Chinese buffet along with a complete a la carte
 menu. L, D. \$, major.

John Ascuaga's Nugget/Trader Dick's—Sparks, 356-
 3300. Cashew chicken, Szechuan specialties, flam-
 ing dagger brochette. L, D. \$\$, major.

STEAK AND SEAFOOD

Bally's/Bounty—789-2000. Steamed clams, cracked
 half crab, oysters. L, D. \$, major.

Bally's/Steak House—789-2270. Broiled T-bone steak,
 Columbia River salmon. L (except Sat.-Sun.), D (ex-
 cept Sun.-Mon.). \$, major.

Carson Nugget/Oyster Bar—882-1626. L, D. \$, major.

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 July 31 — Aug. 9 Hot August Nights Winnemucca August 15 & 16 Nevada Open Horse Show
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Carson Nugget/Steak House—882-1626. Veal scallopini, scampi in dill sauce, chicken picata, escargot. D. \$\$, major.

Circus Circus/Hickory Pit—329-0711. One-pound prime rib, New York steak. D. \$\$, major.

Eldorado/Grill and Rotisserie—786-5700. Mahogany-fueled rotisserie and grill, fresh fish, fowl, lamb and USDA choice dry-aged beef, soup and salad bar. D. \$\$, major.

Harrah's Reno/Seafare—786-3232. Fresh fish specials, calamari, lobster tail, veal parmigiana, eggplant Romano. L, D. \$\$\$, major.

Harrah's Reno Steak House—788-2929. From traditional Steak House favorites to specialty items like grilled Pacific salmon with a saffron butter sauce and steak Diane prepared table side. L, D. \$\$\$, major.

John Ascuaga's Nugget/John's Oyster Bar—Sparks, 356-3300. Lazyman's cioppino, seafood stews. L, D. \$\$, major.

John Ascuaga's Nugget/Steak House—Sparks, 356-3300. Prime rib, steak and lobster, snapper, shrimp Louis. L, D. \$\$, major.

Riverboat Oyster Bar—323-8877. Riverboat cioppino, bay shrimp cocktail. L, D. \$, major.

LAKE TAHOE

AMERICAN

Caesars Tahoe/Cafe Roma—Stateline, 588-3515. Lamb chops, prime rib. B, L, D. \$-\$\$\$, major.

Harrah's Lake Tahoe/Forest Buffet—Stateline, 588-6611. Friday night seafood bounty, Sunday brunch, daily buffet. B, L, D. \$\$, major.

Harrah's Lake Tahoe/Sierra—Stateline, 588-6611. Chicken pot pie, cashew chicken salad, Chinese cuisine. B, L, D. \$\$, major.

Harvey's/Cafe Metro—Stateline, 588-2411. European sweet shop, coffees, retail bakery. \$, major.

FRENCH/CONTINENTAL

Harvey's/Llewellyn's—Stateline, 588-2411. International and contemporary cuisine. Sun. brunch, L, D. \$-\$\$, major.

Harvey's/Sage Room—Stateline, 588-2411. Rack of lamb persille, prime dry-aged cuts of beef, beef Wellington. D. \$-\$\$\$, major.

ITALIAN

Caesars Tahoe/Primavera—Stateline, 588-3515. Linguini carbonara, tenderloin pizzaiola, pollo allo spumante. D. \$\$, major.

Harrah's Lake Tahoe/Cafe Andreotti—Stateline, 588-6611. Pizza quattro stagioni, filetti barbaresco, lasagne Andreotti. D. \$, major.

MEXICAN

Harvey's/El Vaquero—Stateline, 588-2411. Camerones Veracruz, carnitas. L, D. \$\$, major.

ORIENTAL

Caesars Tahoe/Empress Court—Stateline, 588-3515. Szechwan, Mandarin. D. \$\$, major.

STEAK AND SEAFOOD

Caesars Tahoe/Broiler Room—Stateline, 588-3515. Prime rib, seafood, Cajun specialties. D. \$\$, major, res. for large parties.

Harrah's Lake Tahoe/Friday's Station Steak and Seafood Grill—Stateline, 588-6611. Blackened shrimp, mixed grill of lamb filet and smoked quail, hickory-smoked range chicken with Southern Comfort apple butter. L, D. \$\$\$, major.

Harvey's/Seafood Grotto—Stateline, 588-2411. Seafood, Chinese dishes. L, D. \$-\$\$\$, major.

Horizon/Josh's—Stateline, 588-6211. D. \$\$, major.

ELKO

Red Lion Inn—738-2111. Coffee shop and gourmet restaurant. B, L, D. \$-\$\$, major.

Stockmen's Motor Hotel—738-5141. Casino coffee shop, evening dinner house. B, L, D. \$-\$\$, major.

AROUND THE STATE

Furnace Creek Inn and Ranch—Route 190, Death Valley, 619-786-2345. American, Italian, Mexican, steak and seafood, pizza. B, L, D. \$-\$\$\$, major.

Station House/Whistle Stop—Tonopah, 482-9777. Hamburgers, steak, and seafood. B, L, D. \$, AE, MC, V.

Whiskey Pete's/Bushwacker Steakhouse—I-15 near Nev.-Calif. border, 382-4388. Porterhouse, prime rib, trout almondine. D. \$-\$\$, major.

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Name that clone, from left with Superstars dancers: Raymond Wood (Bobby Darin), David Hayes (Sammy Davis, Jr.), Pete Willcox (Elvis), Heidi Thompson (Cher), and Dennis Wycklndt and Dave Hurley (Dan Ackroyd and John Belushi of the Blues Brothers).

Tribute to the Stars

Superstar impersonators are alive and well in Laughlin.

BY MARC A. WONDRA

Laughlin's newest stage show, "American Superstars," prompts the question: Does Nevada really need another celebrity impersonation show? Fortunately for the Flamingo Hilton Laughlin, the answer seems to be yes.

The show, featuring impersonations of Cher, Elvis, Sammy Davis, Jr., Bobby Darin, Roy Orbison, and Michael Jackson, debuted last spring as an opening act for the Hilton's Spring Outdoor Concert Series. It has since been moved indoors to the hotel's Club Flamingo.

The show's highlight and featured performer is Elvis impersonator Pete Willcox. Willcox's portrayal of the King has landed him on such TV shows as *Cheers*, *Full House*, and *Designing Women*.

Besides covering Elvis' hits, Willcox, clad in the traditional sequined jump suit, takes his tribute one step farther with "God Bless the USA," a song he thinks Elvis would be singing if he were alive today. It's as though Elvis had never left us.

Just as entertaining is Heidi Thompson's tribute to Cher, complete with tattoos and a costume only Cher (and Heidi)

could wear. Thompson is joined on stage by several dancers, and the highlight of the performance is when Thompson picks a "Sonny" out of the audience to join her for the classic "I've Got You, Babe." The results are wildly unpredictable. Some "Sonny's" try to upstage her, and others become as shy as if they were standing arm in arm with the real Cher in front of an audience of strangers.

As Sammy Davis, Jr., David Hayes gives a heartfelt version of "Mr. Bojangles." Hayes has mastered the mannerisms, voice, and dance style of the late great star.

Raymond Wood turns in a rousing portrayal of Bobby Darin. For those who have acquired a taste for the era, Wood does a good job of transporting the audience back to the early '60s with "Mack the Knife" and "Beyond the Sea."

Giving the show its most amusing moments are the Blues Brothers. Dave Hurley and Dennis Wycklndt, who portray the characters made famous by John Belushi and Dan Ackroyd, are energetic and entertaining, although the Blues Brothers seem a little out of place among the other stars. Still, Hurley and Wycklndt pick up the

pace of the show with the reckless abandon characteristic of Ackroyd and Belushi.

Like the celebrity impersonation shows of the Las Vegas showrooms—"Legends in Concert" at the Imperial Palace, which also has appeared at John Ascuaga's Nugget in Sparks, and the Riviera's "An Evening at La Cage," among others—"American Superstars" is the next best way to see America's superstars.

Marc A. Wondra, a former Laughlin newspaper writer, now lives in Durango, Colorado.

A Night With Stars

"American Superstars" plays in the Club Flamingo at the Flamingo Hilton Laughlin. Show times are 8 and 10 p.m. Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday; 8 p.m., 10 p.m., and midnight Saturday; dark Thursday. Tickets are \$12.95; \$14.95 for the first two shows on Saturday. Call 800-626-2365 or 702-298-5028.

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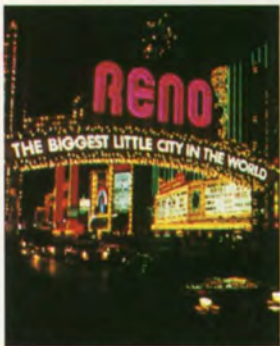
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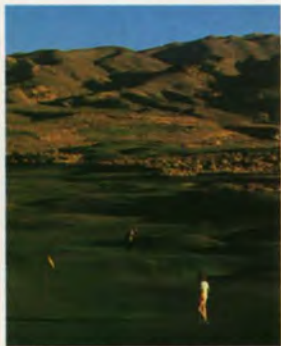
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