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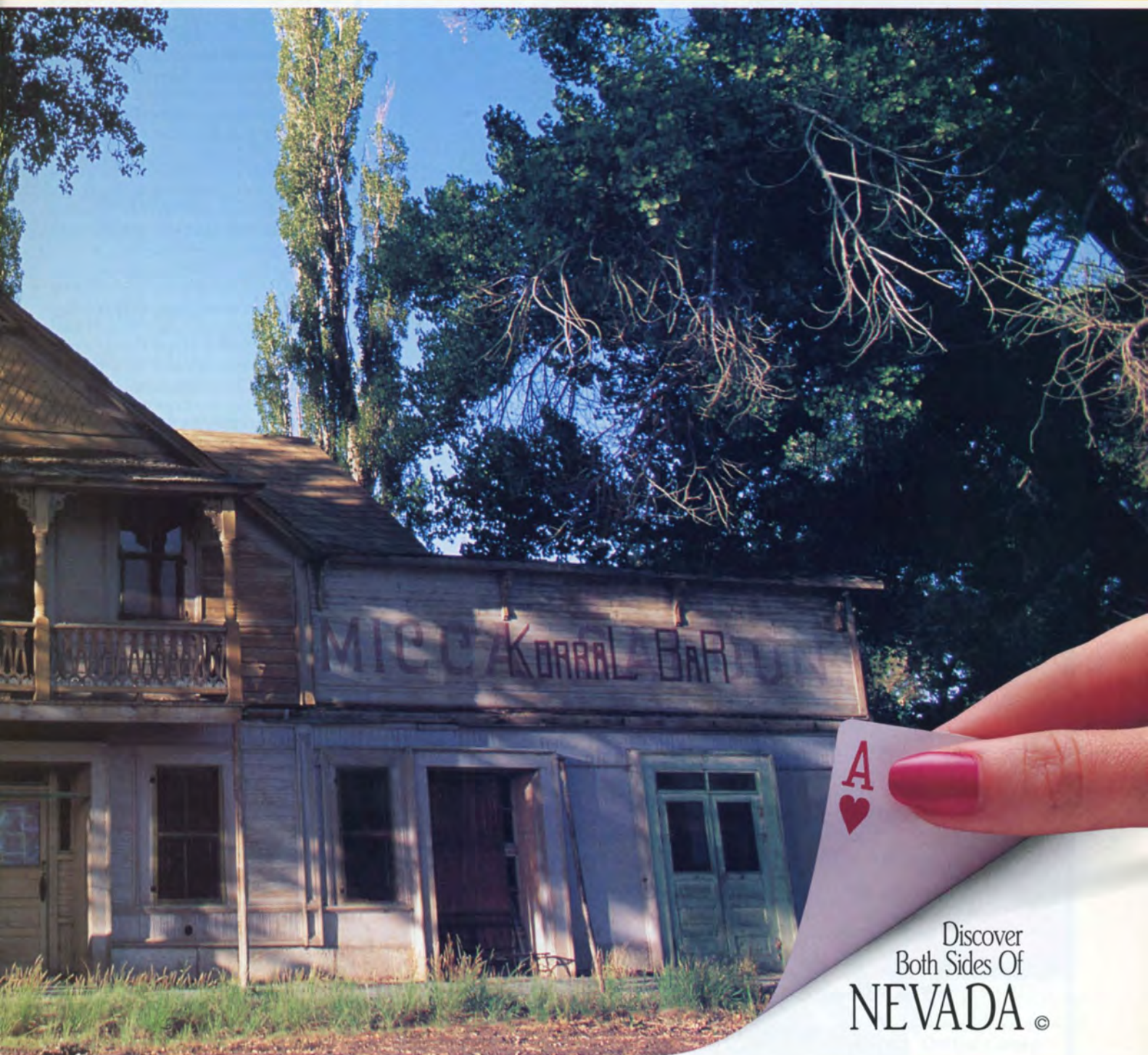


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EDITOR'S NOTE

Historic Saves

When the historic Nixon Opera House burned down last summer, Richard Moreno immediately thought of Winnemucca's local preservationists. "Those people had worked so hard," *Nevada's* publisher recalls. "They finally had the money to renovate the building, and then it goes up in flames."

In this issue's cover story, "Vanishing Nevada," Rich explores how such landmarks regularly disappear—and why there still is hope for historic preservation in the state. As one of two Nevada advisors to the National Trust for Historic Preservation, he brings an ardent interest to the subject. "We've lost a lot of sites and ghost towns," he says, "but we also have some great grassroots efforts to preserve historic buildings."

A historic Las Vegas hotel, the Moulin Rouge, was the site of interracial mingling of stars and customers in the 1950s. In "The Late, Late Show" Frank Wright, curator of education at the Nevada State Museum and Historical Society in Vegas, reviews the heyday of the Moulin Rouge, now the object of a preservationist effort.

Sailors find plenty of wind on Lake Mead in the spring, and sometimes more than they expect. New Yorker Cleo Hanlon recalls that sensation in "That Dam Wind," which is illustrated by Gene Hertzog, a noted lensman of the lake who lives in Henderson.

In "Old-Time Gamblers," Jim Finley recalls the professors of the pit who showed him the ropes. Today Jim, who lives in Oregon, himself is offering classes on the casino business—at a community college, no less.

The elusive story of Edward Lovejoy took William G. Chrystal to the Dayton cemetery, an old Wabuska inn, and other exotic locales. Author and minister of Reno's First Congregational Church, Bill Chrystal found an intriguing character in "Wabuska's Mystery Man," who forsook celebrity for a quiet life on the Nevada frontier.

Celebrity has been part of the fun lately for Elko, a.k.a. the Best Small Town in America. Lin Anderson recounts his hometown's trials and exaltations in "We're Number One?" while Reno's Carole Popoff notes that other towns may be nipping at Elko's heels.

—David Moore



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LETTERS

A lonely lane and a camp's refrain.

Tower of Power

I always look forward to each issue of *Nevada Magazine* with much anticipation. I visit Nevada once or twice each year and have traveled all over your beautiful state. My copies of *Nevada Magazine* have provided me with unlimited information and assistance in my travels.

I found the article about artist Dottie Burton in the last issue of particular interest. On visits to Las Vegas I also have admired the tower atop Christ Church Episcopal while attending services at St. Anne's Catholic Church across the street.

Richard Grappone
Wenonah, NJ

Traffic Stop

Highway 50, "the Loneliest Road in America." How well we know

A few years ago we were traveling on Highway 50 in a motor home and seeing little or no traffic. We passed a little off-the-road area and thought it would be a good place to walk the dog.

We stopped in the middle of the road, and within 10 minutes we had cars and trucks lined up both ways. And no one honked a horn. How embarrassing.

Annette McIntyre
Lake City, MI



Quiet, Everyone

Regarding Liz Watson's story on Llewellyn and Harvey Gross, "The Woman Behind the Wagon Wheel," in the Jan/Feb issue, I recall a story about the Episcopal Church camp, called Galilee, which was established in the 1920s on the state line. Legal gambling and club noise had impacted on the camp's idyllic setting in the 1930s.

One Sunday an Episcopal bishop, the persistent story states, strode across the street to one of the clubs. In his full ecclesiastical garb, he asked the management for "one hour of silence."

Later the Episcopalians traded prop-

erty with the Grosses and escaped the turmoil of Stateline. By moving to Tahoe's east shore they achieved "one hour of silence," and more.

Rolfe B. Chase
Carson City

You Can Call Me Al

Congratulations on the delightful article "Skiing at Their Peak," about the "wild bunch" of older skiers at Mount Rose by Marge Knorr in the March/April issue. It shows Nevada has more than its share of folks who have spurned the rocking-chair stage of life and are charging ahead into the future.

Incidentally, one unnamed skier is labeled "visitor" in the photograph. I am familiar with the author, so to speak, and can identify the mystery skier as her husband, Al.

Al Knorr
Reno

Treasured T-Birds

Really enjoyed the March/April issue, especially the articles relating to some of the automotive history of our great state. A couple more active Northern Nevada car clubs include the Sierra Nevada Classic Thunderbird Club (Box 594, Reno, NV 89504) and the Fallon Chapter of the Antique Automobile Club of America (270 Fairview, Fallon, NV 89406).

Larry Bogdon
Reno

Outback Explorer

I have enjoyed visiting Nevada for horseback riding, exploring, skiing, and gaming for the past 30 years. I especially like your "outback" exploring articles and the remote photos.

I would like more on hunting and fishing seasons, especially the latter (I haven't hunted, except with camera, for over 20 years). A few years ago I had the opportunity to fish for cutthroat trout in some of the rivers there, and it was one of the most unforgettable times I've ever had in Nevada.

Melvin B. Echelberger
Oakdale, CA

Melvin, see "Casting Calls" in the Nevada Vacation Planner. —Ed. □

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By D. Brian Burghart, Kate Butler, and Deborah Mawhar

HISTORY

A Mammoth Discovery

CARSON CITY—It's big. It's all bones. It's mammoth.

One of the largest mammoths ever found and exhibited in North America is on display at the Nevada State Museum.

About 17,000 years ago the Imperial mammoth, a less hairy cousin of the woolly mammoth, stood 13 feet high at the shoulder and weighed about six-and-a-half tons. The mammoth died while trying to escape from a mud bog left by the receding waters of ancient Lake Lahontan.

The bones were discovered in the early 1970s in the Black Rock Desert by Steve Wallman, an Oregon logger, and the skull was later exhibited in Las Vegas. Having traveled farther dead than it ever did alive, the mammoth was brought to Carson City.



Visitors stand agape at the mammoth display at the Nevada State Museum.

Mammoth experts at the museum replicated the bones in fiberglass and stood them up in a simulated mud bog next to another Ice Age contemporary, a horse from the Pyramid Lake area. The horse reportedly trotted the ancient prairie about 25,000 B.C.

Visitors can see the mammoth and horse at the State Museum at 600 North Carson Street from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily. Call 702-687-4810.—D.B.B.

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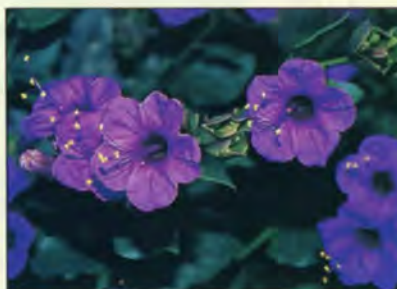
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LAS VEGAS—For the second straight year, abundant winter water has brought a spectacular wildflower display to the Southern Nevada desert and surrounding mountains.

The show, which began in early March, should last well into June.

Look for globe mallow, pentstemon, evening primrose, and other blossoms in high places like



The giant four o'clock is in bloom.

Mount Charleston, Red Rock's upper canyons, and the Gold Butte area southwest of Mesquite.

For an up-to-the-minute flower report, you can call the Mojave Native Plant Society wildflower hot line at 702-362-2110.—K.B.

SKIING



Skiers can stay cool at resorts like Alpine Meadows (above).

Summer Snow

LAKE TAHOE—After a winter like this one, the ski season could be endless. Alpine Meadows says it's running lifts through July 4. Other die-hard resorts like Squaw Valley and Kirkwood are expected to stay open well into May or longer, depending on demand. Call for the latest conditions: Alpine Meadows, 916-581-8225; Squaw Valley, 916-583-6985; Kirkwood, 209-258-6000.—D.M.

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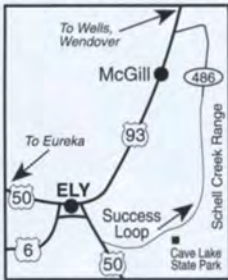
For the more leisurely dude, there is a 20-minute carriage ride, pulled by two Belgians, which circles the park. Horseback riding is \$18 per hour on weekdays and \$22 on weekends. Carriage rides cost \$3. It's \$2 per car to enter the park. Call 702-872-7009.—K.B.

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According to former Ely resident Walt Mattice, his father, Louis, a backcountry trapper, was the first to drive the route (barely a trail at the time). He made the journey in his late-1920s Dodge, while his sons walked ahead moving boulders.

High-clearance vehicles are recommended, and the road is usually open only to snowmobiles and foot travel through mid-April. There are numerous campsites along the route, and Success Camp, at the summit, has a lodge, cabin (\$60 to \$90 per night), campsites, showers, and bathrooms (call the White Pine County Road Department for reservations at 702-289-4767).—K.B. □



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We're Number One?

Elko adjusts to being the best.

By Lin Anderson

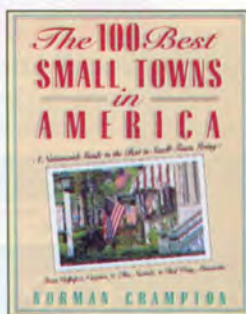
Boy, the people in Essex, Connecticut—the *Second Best Small Town in America*—must really hate our guts.

By "our," of course, I mean the proud citizens of Elko, Nevada, who awoke one typically freezing February morning, flicked on *Good Morning, America* to see if this was the day Joan and Charlie finally got into that horrendous screaming match we've all been waiting for, and found that our community had been named the "Best Small Town in America."

You could hear a sharp, citywide "Dang!" as thousands of Elkoans spilled their Maxwell House at the exact same moment.

Elko? The Best Small Town in America? A Mayberry for the '90s? What would Aunt Bee say?

The declaration was made on the program by Norman Crampton of Greencastle, Indiana, author of *The 100 Best*



The "Best" guide.

ing local customs like burning maps of Elko, Nevada, in a quaint town bonfire.

Crampton's system involved rating small communities by per-capita income, the number of physicians, education, scenery, and proximity to other, bigger towns for shopping.

Elko ranks pretty high in all of those categories, except, as of late, physicians. In fact, the city recently ponied up a \$10,000 reward to anyone who could

Small Towns in America. Crampton scored Elko just ahead of Essex, Connecticut, which one may surmise is a green, tree-lined community with a lot of early-American architecture and charming

attract a new doctor to the area.

Despite that, we were in. Suddenly, our town was, well, "Our Town." Even the mayor was surprised.

"I think it initially caught everyone off-guard," said Mayor Jim Polkinghorne from his office, which overnight had become the Best Mayor's Office in the Best City Hall in the Best Small Town in America. "But then once they added up all the positive things about Elko—getting their minds off the potholes for a while—I think most Elkoans realized that we're really deserving of it."

After all, we have to grab the brass ring while we can. Population estimates have risen since Crampton prepared his book, and Elko is now above the 15,000 threshold the author uses to define small towns. Barring a large exodus of Elkoans to, say, Essex, Connecticut, we will likely not be included in future editions, although we will be missed.

A few days after the news hit, stunned

The national electronic media have been everywhere, buying hair spray and looking important. *Good Morning, America* even dropped by to do a "reaction piece" about Elko.

residents lost their deer-in-the-headlights sort of look—except those who have it all the time—and did what Elkoans always do when an honor is visited upon their town: Plan a party.

The big bash called Elko Fest is set for June 19, when Elkoans will gather in their traditional summer garb, Bermudas and golf shirts, for a celebration that's being organized by the newly formed Elko First Committee. (Whenever anything happens in Elko, we form a committee to talk endlessly about it and coax Blach Distributing Co. into supplying the beer.) The city also plans to put up billboards and banners touting the honor so we can really tick off tourists from Essex, Connecticut.

Local merchants have been quick to jump on the Best Small Town bandwagon. A logo designed by Western artist Larry Bute of Elko adorns everything from T-shirts to coffee cups, and "Best Small Town" stickers are even outnumbering "Don't Blame Me, I Voted For Perot" on local bumpers.

"Elko being Number One has been very good for us," said Bonnie Jarvis of Elko Trophy, the Best Trophy Store in the Best Small Town in America. "We've been able to print up jackets, hats, T-shirts, all that stuff. And we promo it all the time to our customers: 'How's your stay going in the Best Small Town in America?' or, 'Are you winning in the Best Small Town in America?'"

Jarvis noted that approach didn't quite work with the guy who shot back, "Well, you're probably the richest small town in America, because you've got all my money!"

That charming story had a happy ending, however. The miscreant was immediately arrested for jaywalking and deported to Baraboo, Wisconsin (Number 13 on the list).

But while many Elkoans are grinning like Jack Nicholson in *Batman*, being the Best Small Town has meant more work for residents like Nat Nuñez, an em-

ployee at the Elko Post Office (the Best Downtown Post Office in the Best Small Town in America). He explained, "Ever since that was announced, that we're Number One, that incomes are higher than average, we've had a big increase in the amount of bulk mail coming in—catalogs, junk mail, that kind of stuff. Man, it's like Christmas!"

So what else has it meant in the days since Elko became Number One? Well, it's meant camcorders. The national electronic media have been everywhere, buying hair spray and looking important. *Good Morning, America* even dropped by to do a "reaction piece" about Elko. The story was scheduled to be run on *Good Morning, America-Sunday*, which is received in Elko at 5 a.m.

Families set their alarms and sat in front of the TV set in their jammies, ready to squeal and punch each other in the shoulder, and waited, and waited. But the report didn't air. We were very disappointed, of course. Elkoans seldom get up at 5 a.m. on Sunday except on extreme Christmas mornings.

Good Morning, America-Sunday later explained to us that the report was bumped because of the World Trade Center bombing, so we felt a little bit better. The story finally aired two Sundays later. This time we set our VCRs.

We are enjoying our day in the sun, letting everything that moves know we are the Best Small Town in America. But, then, we knew it all along. As Lorri Kocinski Puchlik, our Chamber of Commerce director, said, "We've always had great *esprit d' corps*. We've always been friendly and hospitable. We've always been better than Essex, Connecticut."

OK, so she didn't say that last part. The important thing is that we live in a pretty happy small town that a man from Indiana has determined is the best in America. This gives us the opportunity to invite other Americans to see what makes us so special.

Aunt Bee would feel right at home here in Elko, where you can breathe fresh air and enjoy the spirit of freedom and happiness. And, unlike in Mayberry, she could sneak downtown to play a little keno with the housekeeping allowance. □

Lin Anderson of Elko is the Best Radio Newsman at the Best Radio Station (KELK) in the Best Small Town in America. Lin also reported on Elko's other recent brush with fame, when Hunter S. Thompson's "Fear and Loathing in Elko" made the cover of the Rolling Stone last year

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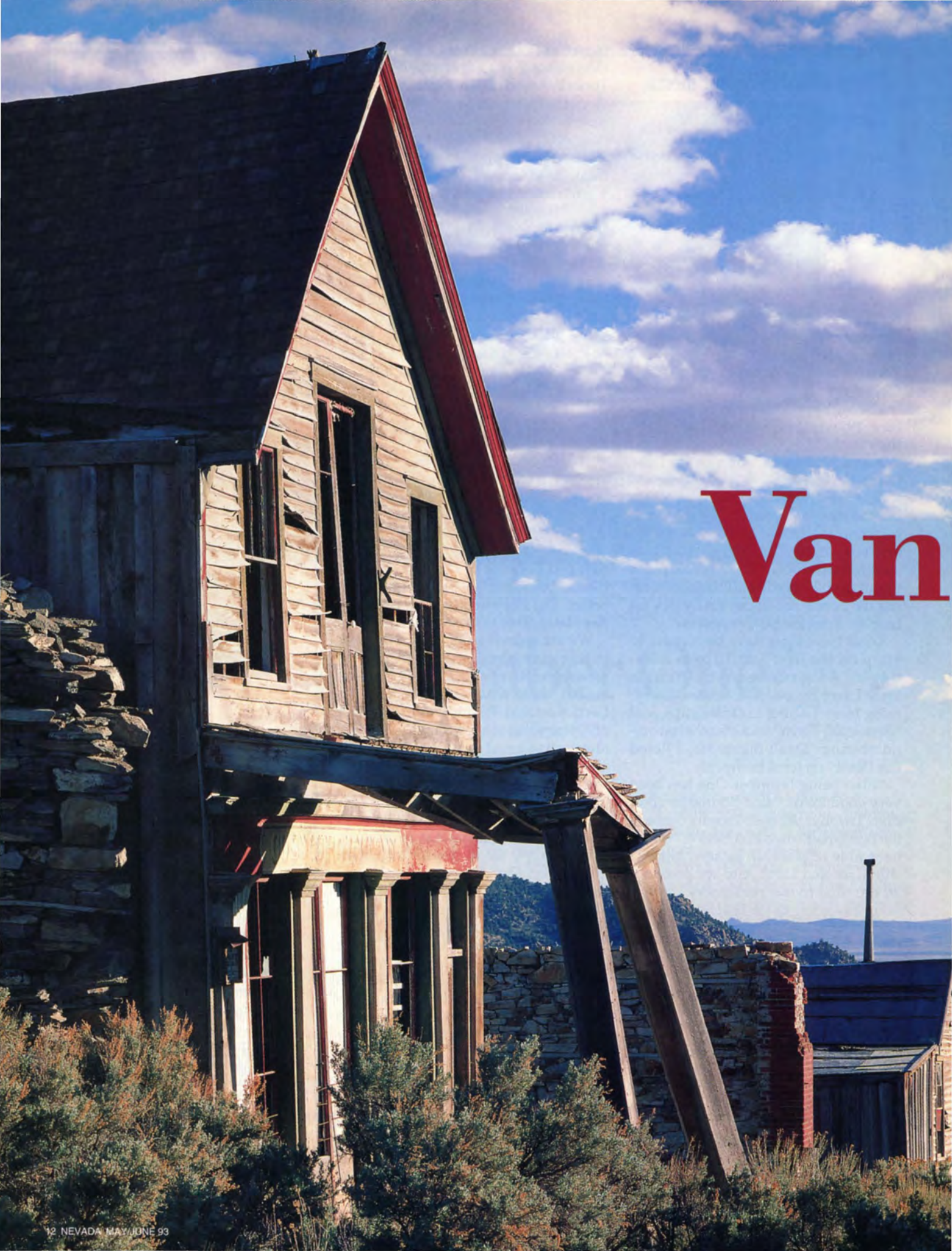
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Gene Wambolt and Pansilee Larson stand on the site of the Nixon Opera House. The smoking shell (above) was bulldozed.

ishing Nevada

Many Nevadans are trying to rewrite the state's preservation legacy.

By Richard Moreno

On the night of July 23, 1992, the Nixon Opera House in Winnemucca went up in smoke. Someone—to this day no one has been charged with the crime—broke into the building and, under cover of darkness, started several fires. Within minutes the venerable opera house was in flames, and an important part of Nevada's history was gone.

The end came quickly. The 85-year-old building burned on a Thursday, and by Saturday its charred remains had been bulldozed as a public hazard.

"It was a real tragedy," recalls Pansilee Larson, a member of the Friends of the Nixon Opera House, a local group raising money to restore the building. "I don't know of anything that's had such an impact on this county as the

loss of that historic theater."

Ironically, just before the fire, the Friends had achieved their fund-raising goal of \$900,000. They had planned to begin renovation on the opera house in a few months.

Larson was home asleep when she learned about the fire. "I was just stunned," she recalls. "A friend called me late that night, and at first my husband didn't want to wake me because he knew I'd be upset."

The Larsons drove downtown to watch the conflagration. Larson, who had been involved with efforts to save the Nixon since 1971, could watch only for a few minutes. The sight was too painful.

Sadly, the fate of the Nixon Opera House reflects the way Nevada has long treated many of its historic sites and buildings. Dozens of significant places and structures in the state have become casualties of neglect, abuse, theft, and

vandalism—or removed in the name of progress.

"We're being robbed of the image of our past," says Ron James, Nevada's state historic preservation officer. "The towns of Hamilton, Rawhide, Rhyolite, and Delamar have gone, in the last 20 years, from picturesque ghost towns to little more than a few brick walls and foundations."

Pat Olson, archaeologist at the Lost City Museum in Overton, is more direct. "It's pretty pitiful," she declares. "We've lost a fortune in prehistoric information because of a lack of planning and compliance with what the laws are."

Olson is particularly distressed by the widespread destruction of Pueblo sites in the Overton area, 60 miles northeast of Las Vegas. Remnants of a Native American culture that flourished in the Moapa Valley about 1,000 A.D., the archaeological sites are threatened by increasing development.

"Ninety-five percent of the Pueblo sites have been destroyed," she says. "There's not a great deal of support for archaeology in Southern Nevada, as far as funding is concerned."

Still, the situation around the state is improving. Community groups from

The Cosmopolitan Saloon in Belmont (left) was one of the state's most photogenic symbols before it was decapitated.

The past several decades have not been kind to many Nevada historical sites. The ghost town of Fairview was nearly bombed out of existence.

Virginia City to Caliente to Eureka are rallying local support to preserve their pasts, and they are experiencing some successes. Also, local and state leaders have shown a growing willingness to preserve and, most importantly, find new uses for the state's historic landmarks.

"People are becoming more aware as they realize things that should have been preserved are being lost, and they regret it," says Jeanne Dini, chair of a Yerington group raising funds to renovate a historic school as a cultural center. "In these tough economic times it's hard, but a little money spent to preserve things is money well spent."

Or, as historic preservation consultant Mimi Rodden of Carson City puts it: "The way we treat our historic and cultural resources today is the best way we can say what kind of people we are to those who come along tomorrow."

The past several decades have not been kind to many Nevada historical sites. In the early 1980s, the ghost town of Fairview was nearly bombed out of



Christie Leavitt points out the Heritage House at the Clark County Heritage Museum. The 1931 chalet-style house was once owned by gaming pioneer Pros J. Goumond.

existence by a pilot from the nearby Fallon Naval Air Base. The once magnificent mining town of Aurora was stripped of its buildings so the bricks and weathered wood could be used for antiquing newer buildings in either Reno or Southern California, depending on which story you hear.

The Central Nevada towns of Kawich, Wahmonie, and Gold Crater were victims of the ultimate destruction. The

small mining camps, which thrived at the turn of the century, are long gone—nuked off the face of the earth because they were located within the boundaries of the Nevada Nuclear Test Site.

Despite community outcry, in Carson City the Virginia and Truckee Railroad maintenance shops, constructed of native sandstone in 1873, were dismantled in 1991, the stones sent to a California company to be resold for deco-

On the Razer's Edge

Nevada has many historic buildings and sites that are in danger of disappearing if help doesn't come soon. In some cases, community groups are trying to save the local landmarks.

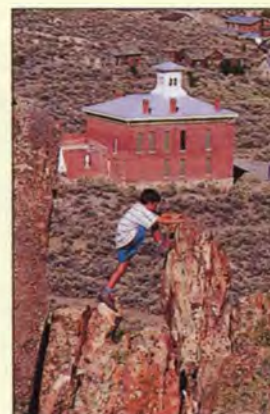
Belmont: Time, neglect, and abuse threaten many of this old mining town's structures, particularly a row of dilapidated storefronts on the main street.

Boulder Dam Hotel: Opened in 1933, the Dutch Colonial-style hotel was a playground for the rich and famous before going through a succession of owners (15 in the last 45 years). It's now closed, but the hotel has been renovated over the years and has great potential.

Fernley Depot: This classic 1912 depot was part of the Fernley and Lassen Railroad. The depot was moved in 1986 to a vacant lot, where it was to be restored as a chamber of commerce office. Lack of funds has prevented further action.

Fort St. Joseph: A subdivision and airport expansion threaten this Overton site, originally part of a prehistoric Pueblo village and then a Mormon settlement from 1866 to 1868. Foundations and mounds of adobe can still be found. Without protection, the site will be gone within a year.

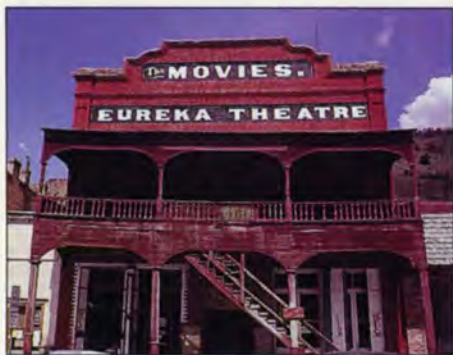
Goldfield Historic District: Developed between 1902 and 1908, Goldfield's downtown core was the heart



Belmont's courthouse was built in 1876.

of a community of more than 20,000 people. Today, survivors like the Goldfield Hotel, the high school, and the remains of the old camp's business district are badly in need of repairs.

Las Vegas Railroad Cottages: The last vestiges of Las Vegas' railroad heritage will likely be gone in a few years. About 20 small railroad cottages, built between 1909 and 1911, are scattered



The Eureka Theatre is a success story while Yerington citizens hope their school (top) is, too. The 1876 Fourth Ward School before (left) and after (right), in Virginia City.

orative purposes. In the ghost town of Belmont, the Cosmopolitan Saloon—one of the most-photographed buildings in the state—was pulled down in the mid-1980s because a neighboring property owner feared it would topple onto his land. The main house on the old Kiel Ranch in North Las Vegas burned last August after a transient accidentally set it on fire. The Union Pacific Railroad Ice House in Las Vegas

was demolished by the city because it was an eyesore.

Meanwhile, looters, bottle hunters, and artifact collectors have torn up many of Nevada's most prominent ghost towns. In the mid-1980s, two people were discovered living on the site of the 1860s mining camp of Shermantown, selling artifacts they'd excavated illegally.

Such looting destroys the archeolog-

Many of Beatty's homes and businesses were constructed from wood, stone, and entire buildings carted off from nearby Rhyolite.

ical potential of a site, says Ron James, the state's historic preservation officer. He points out that scavengers who dig through the sites to remove bottles, tools, and other artifacts not only remove items of immeasurable historical value but also disrupt the ground. That makes it impossible to study the site in the proper context.

Another problem has been that building materials are scarce in the Nevada desert. Most mining towns were cobbled together from parts and pieces of older camps—perhaps the earliest example of recycling in Nevada. This creative reuse of materials meant that most abandoned buildings were stripped of lumber and bricks that could be used at the next boomtown.

For example, the picturesque Catholic church in Manhattan was built in Belmont in 1874 and moved the 12 miles to its present site in 1908. Austin's International Hotel was originally located in Virginia City. Many of Beatty's homes and businesses were constructed from wood, stone, and entire build-

between Second and Fourth and Garces and Clark streets in the downtown area. Adjacent development may hasten their demise.

Lovelock Depot: Built in 1868, the former Central Pacific depot is one of the oldest railroad stations in Nevada. A local group is raising funds to move and rehabilitate the building.

Mineral County Courthouse: This impressive brick structure in Hawthorne was built in 1883 and served as county offices for more than 90 years. Local preservationists have successfully fought efforts to raze the building but haven't been able to raise funds for rehabilitation.



Goldfield's 1907 courthouse.

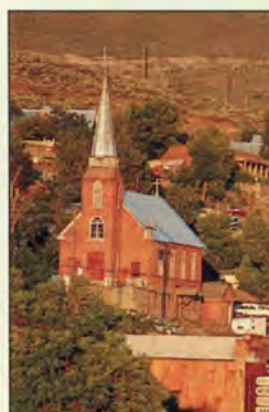
awaiting owners with the money to renovate them.

St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Church: One of the oldest churches in the state, St. Augustine's was built in Austin in 1866. Still owned by the Catholic Diocese of Reno-Las Vegas, the church has sat empty and neglected for more than a decade.

Thompson Opera House: Built in 1873, the opera house served as Pioche's

Riverside and Mapes Hotels:

These two Reno hotels were once the toast of Northern Nevada. The Riverside opened in 1927, the Mapes in 1947. Both have been closed for about a decade,



St. Augustine's in Austin looks for help.

community center, hosting dances, rallies, and theater performances. The building, abandoned for more than 30 years, is in need of immediate repairs.

Winter's Ranch: With its Gothic-influenced architecture, Theodore Winter's ranch has been a Washoe Valley landmark since the 1860s. Partially renovated in the 1980s, the house awaits an owner to complete the work. □

ings carted off from nearby Rhyolite.

Attitudes about historic preservation in Nevada are changing, however. In 1990, for example, the Nevada Legislature created the Nevada Cultural Affairs Commission to administer a 10-year, \$20-million historic preservation grant fund. Although technical and legal flaws kept the commission from awarding the grants, new legislation has been introduced to make the funds available.

Preservationists such as Mimi Rodden note that it is not enough to merely fix up a building. It is critical that the building is put to good use, which will help ensure it isn't abandoned or allowed to decay again. Professional preservationists call this process "adaptive rehabilitation," while local advocates might state it more plainly: "Fix it up and use it for something."

One such effort can be found in tiny Eureka. The Eureka Theatre, built in 1880, had been used as a movie theater, opera house, and dance hall. Three years ago Eureka County officials traded county land for the building, and voters approved a measure to turn the theater into a small convention center. The \$1.8-million restoration project, funded from county mining-tax proceeds, is expected to be completed in June.

Another success story is the Carson City Mint building, built in 1866 and since the 1940s the home of the Nevada State Museum. In 1990, museum officials closed the landmark after learning it would probably not withstand a moderate earthquake. By using new reinforcement techniques, the museum completed the work for \$450,000, nearly one-tenth of some estimates. The building reopened last summer.

In Virginia City local efforts, including Historic Preservation Weekend in May, have generated support for a number of public and private buildings. One is the Fourth Ward School, built in 1876 and partially restored in recent years.

Also, the University of Nevada, Reno will conduct an archaeological field school—the first such professional effort in Virginia City—this summer. Study areas will be open for public tours on weekdays from June 9 to July 9.

Southern Nevada preservationists have fought to save the Huntridge Theater, one of Las Vegas' first movie houses and now a performing arts center, and the restored art-deco Las Vegas High School, which is being considered for a community arts center. In

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Today the Moulin Rouge Preservation Association is pushing to restore the hotel, which presented swinging shows and jazz stars when it opened in 1955 (above).

The Late, Late Show

The Moulin Rouge was the first Las Vegas hotel where the races mingled in song, dance, and harmony

By Frank Wright

The late, late Saturday night audience in the elegant Las Vegas showroom often included celebrities like Nat "King" Cole, Jack Benny, Mary Livingston, Sammy Davis, Jr., George Burns, Gracie Allen, Kay Starr, and one or two of the Mills Brothers.

That was the kind of crowd you could find at the famous 2:15 a.m. third show at the Moulin Rouge Hotel and Casino, the first major Nevada resort with a racially integrated staff and clientele. The path-breaking hotel, today the subject of a local renovation

effort, was launched in 1955 by New York restaurateur Louis Rubin (of "Reubensandwich" fame), Beverly Hills developer Alexander Bisno, and a host of other investors such as Joe Louis and chess champ Samuel Reshevsky.

Before 1960, African-Americans were not permitted to gamble, dine, or stay at Las Vegas' resort hotels—except the Rouge. For the regrettably brief period between May and October 1955, some of the outstanding black entertainers of the era performed for and mingled with people of all races, including a *Who's Who* of New York



The Moulin Rouge Dancers included (clockwise from lower left) Barbara McCorty, Jane Craddock, Norma Talbert, Lorraine Riley, Anne Bailey, Dee Dee Jasmine, and (center) Norma Washington. At lower right, Boots Wade and others dance in the "Watusi" number. At top right, the Hines Kids starred Maurice (standing) and Gregory.

and Hollywood celebrities.

During the hotel's first weeks the "Tropi-Can-Can" floor show featured the young dance team of Maurice and Gregory Hines and a cast of dancers assembled by producer Clarence Robinson, who had staged shows at the original Moulin Rouge in Paris. The great jazz artist Benny Carter and his band provided the music. Those performers and stars like Lionel Hampton, Dinah Washington, and Les Brown played to packed houses.

The hotel closed after less than five months for a variety of reasons, among

them under-capitalization and mismanagement, but many observers at the time attributed the Moulin Rouge's demise, in part, to opposition by other resort owners fearful of its success.

It was fitting that five years later the hotel's coffee shop was the site of a crucial meeting among local civil rights leaders and public officials that ended the exclusionary practices of other Las Vegas resorts.

Community groups have been trying to revive and revitalize the hotel, which is still open for business on West Bonanza Road. The Las Vegas City

Council has named it a historic landmark, and it is now listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

A show with photos and memorabilia, "History in the Making: The Moulin Rouge Civil Rights Exhibit," is appearing through the end of the year at the Nevada State Museum and Historical Society in Las Vegas (702-486-5205). The show will take you back to those late, late shows of '55. □

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Lake Mead's fickle breezes add a sparkling appeal for sailors.

That Dam Wind

Lake Mead sailors face unexpected winds and prehistoric panoramas.

Story by Cleo Hanlon, photos by Gene Hertzog

Thirty-six North, 114 West marks a vast stretch of desert. That point on the nautical charts also designates Lake Mead, a young body of water that is surrounded by sands that are millions of years old.

As lakes go, Lake Mead is a youngster, created when Hoover Dam began backing up the Colorado River in the 1930s. Now the central attraction of Lake Mead National Recreation Area, this manmade lake is set against eons of Mother Nature's handiwork and presents a special challenge to sailors.

To sail Lake Mead is an almost prehistoric sensation. And because of the "dam wind" and other local phenomena, it is a bit more difficult than one might expect. The desert does not adapt itself easily to a small sea in its midst.

Sailing through the desert is even stranger than it sounds. You are surrounded by awesome cliffs of red, black,

pink, and white. Terraces climb a thousand feet above the mast and drop half as much below the keel. The water is so clear and blue it looks faked.

Going ashore at Lake Mead means stepping onto the upper peaks of a mountain, complete with lizards, bighorn sheep, wild burros, and the occasional cougar. Because of the lake's wildness, sailors usually take a dependable motor and plenty of gas. If you run out of wind or into trouble, there may be nowhere to go and no one to call for help.

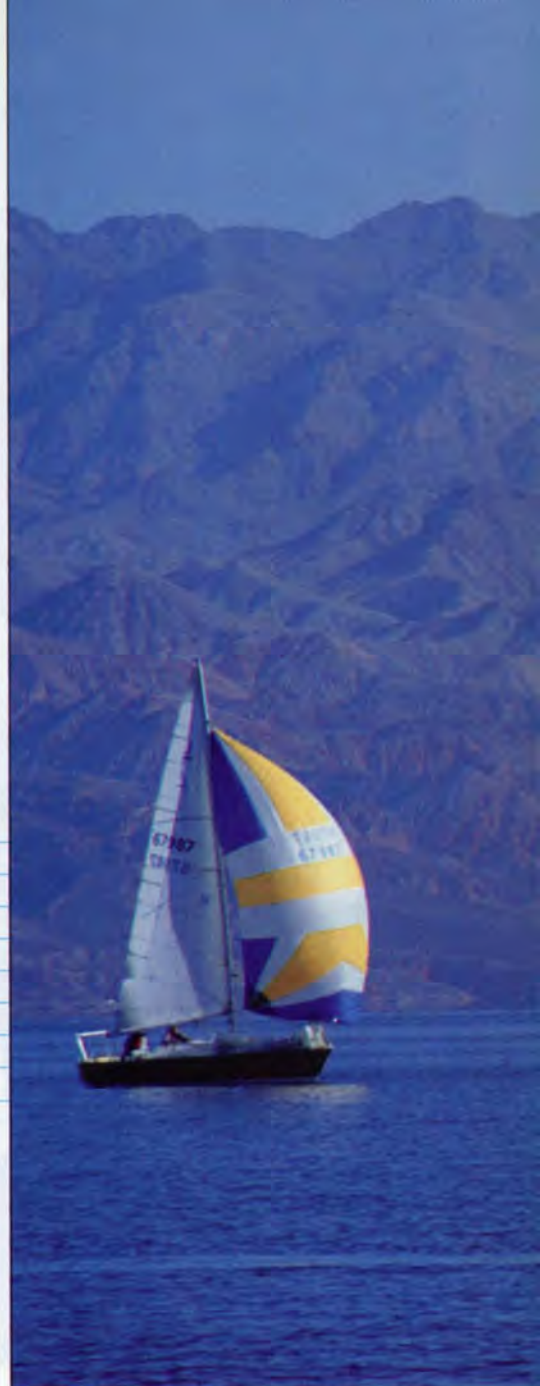
With an average depth of more than 300 feet, Lake Mead requires slow anchoring. Its hot, sunny weather requires lots of suntan lotion.

But the real challenge to any Mead sailor is the desert wind. It's called the Monroe effect—after the movie star's famous scene with her skirt flying up—and is most commonly seen along city

streets lined with skyscrapers. The wind runs into the top of a high building and gets funneled downward to street level, producing whirlpools of gusts, updrafts, downdrafts, and just about any combination of sneaky winds imaginable.

On Lake Mead the towering cliffs catch the wind and channel it downward across the water. Although they may not be as tall and smooth as the World Trade Center towers in Manhattan, the lake's cliffs certainly are wider, and they can compact a gentle three-knot breeze into a 20-knot blow that ricochets off the canyon walls.

There are three narrow canyons to challenge those who sail the lake. The central one is Boulder Canyon, three miles long but in places barely a thou-





The prehistoric terrain surrounding Lake Mead adds an eerie undercurrent.

sand feet wide. To the east, Iceberg Canyon leads to the Grand Canyon. The third is the part of Black Canyon that extends above Hoover Dam. On the charts it's just a few hundred feet long. What I failed to realize was that wind is a three-dimensional phenomenon, able to climb the face of the dam as easily as water cascades down it.

I was cruising with friends on their J-24 up to Echo Bay, a short day sail of about 30 miles from Las Vegas Boat Harbor. It was a classic desert day on the lake, wind 10 to 15 knots, steady out of the north. It was a lazy sail across the lake's glassy surface to the center of Boulder Basin. After about an hour we started to notice the wind shifting.

"Oh, that's just the dam wind," my friends commented as we watched whitecaps appear out of the south.

The "dam wind" was building from the south on the downstream side of the Hoover Dam. By midday the air temperature was nearing 100 degrees while the river below the dam was, as usual, a chilly 55 degrees.

Such conditions make for unusual winds on Mead. The breeze tumbles through a straight, 10-mile stretch of narrows leading to the base of the dam. As the winds reach the dam face, they are doused by the cold waterfall spray, pushed up the 726-foot-high concrete wall, and then further compressed in Black Canyon. Finally the winds break



Lake Mead's waters reflect smooth sailing (top). Hobie Cat skippers prepare to set sail on the lake (below).

out onto the expanse of Boulder Basin with a force that is deceiving on a mild, sunny day.

Today, the dam wind was just beginning to blow the tops off the whitecaps. We donned foul-weather pants and took our places on the rail as we approached the sheer line.

"Hang on for the sleigh ride!" my friends warned. The wind hit us, hot and powerful. It felt like a pizza oven belching. For nearly half an hour we roared along, the wind at 30 knots. The little J sat on her ear, trucking through the cool spray as the lake churned beneath us. As we sailed into the shadow of Fortification Hill, a 3,700-foot landmark, our dam wind gradually tapered down to a more peaceful 15 knots.

At one point we passed over Callville—literally. The short-lived settlement was established in 1864 by Mormon elder Anson Call as a shipping

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point on the Colorado for the local cash crop, cotton. In the 1930s, Callville's last remaining structure, a stone warehouse, was buried beneath 300 feet of water as the lake filled behind Hoover Dam.

Sailing through the narrows of Boulder Canyon usually means motoring at some point, but today we were lucky. The winds held long enough for us to fight our way to the Virgin Basin.

Canyon sailing requires an extra pair of eyes and a calm stomach. One must watch for ricochets of gusts that can suddenly tack or jibe the unsuspecting (that is, turn the craft while the wind blows from front or rear). An occasional overhanging rock adds to the tension. I must admit that sailing within 12 inches of solid rock before gently tacking around is quite an experience.

Once past 2,818-foot Guardian Peak we were finally in Virgin Basin, another 10-mile-wide expanse that is the junction of the Colorado and Virgin rivers. The basin's south arm leads to the marina at Temple Bar and to Gregg Basin.

Today our destination was Echo Bay, a quiet marina to the north. Echo Bay is a surprise to those who normally sail in more populated waters. It has a large dock, covered slips, a campground, a

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restaurant, and a hotel. Then nothing else. Beyond the marina there is only a two-lane road leading off through the mountains and back to civilization. Echo Bay exists solely for boaters.

Months later, recalling that day on Lake Mead, many images of the lake remain vivid. I especially remember the bits of islands, some large, others small, sticking up through the water. Once mountains, they were so unlike any islands this ocean sailor has ever seen.

I also remember running with the "dam wind" across Boulder Basin and how Mother Nature lets us know who really has the hand on the tiller. □

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Sailing Lake Mead

Lake Mead sailors say the best seasons to sail the lake are spring and fall, when the winds are most consistent. But the weather and boating conditions can change drastically in minutes, so experienced Mead sailors and other boaters have great respect for the lake's fickle nature.

Visiting sailors will find launches at Mead's six marinas, but there are no sailboat rentals available.

Information: Write the Lake Mead National Recreation Area, 601 Nevada Highway, Boulder City, NV 89005, or call 702-293-8907 for more information on the lake.





Cockeye Bill was a notorious bustout 21 dealer and enterprising vagabond.

Old-Time Gamblers

Suitcase Murphy, Foghorn Dutch, and other casino characters gave me a blue-chip education.

By Jim Finley

Forty years ago there were no schools or instruction manuals to teach a young dealer about Nevada's gambling racket. You simply got a job, made a million mistakes, got in and out of jams of every description, and eventually learned the business from those who had been there before.

Most casino people would help break-

in dealers like myself with the mechanics of the job—figuring payoffs, handling cards, and cutting checks (chips, to the uninitiated). But only a handful would offer further advice, which we all needed desperately.

Here are a special few of those old-time Nevada gamblers who were there before me, all unique and rowdy indi-

vidualists, capable and talented men who considered gambling their life, not a job. Each of them contributed in a memorable way to my gambling education.

Blackjack Pete and I never met. I never even spoke to him, but seeing him in action made an impression that lasts



Suitcase Murphy had a peculiar knack for turning up everywhere out of nowhere.

to this day. I'd been in the racket six or seven years, that dangerous period when you begin to think you know something. I dealt four games, and I was convinced I'd end up in the dealer's hall of fame.

Then one day I wandered into the Golden Nugget, one of the larger downtown joints in Vegas, and watched a master at work dealing 21. Pete was friendly. He liked what he did for a living, and he made players feel comfortable. The consummate professional, he dealt smoothly, with never a wasted motion, and he kept the cards flying.

He was every bit as talented as I thought I was, and Pete had only one arm!

Nowadays Pete probably wouldn't be considered for a casino job, but if he were, he might embarrass a few youngsters who think they're 21 clerks.

Cockeye Bill was a notorious bustout 21 dealer and casino thief who prowled Northern Nevada's small towns

for years. We met on a crap game in Winemucca where he had a 20-minute audition, during which he dazzled our incompetent casino boss, toked the cocktail girl with the joint's money, hustled an easy half-dozen token bets, and stole 47 silver dollars. He told me later that you should always steal enough on your first go-round to get to the next town, just in case the job blows up, and I guess he figured it was \$47 to Elko.

Bill had a cocked eye, which accounted for his name and his ability to deal 21, or 20, or at the very least 18 or 19. Bill kept his deck hand right on the table, next to the rack, with the deck tipped way back. Then he'd fix his good eye on yours, his cocked eye on the deck, and he'd peek and deal deuces constantly, all the while showing earnest concern with your unusual run of bad luck. Bill was typical of the old-time vagabond dealer. He made tons of money, lived well, had good times, and died busted.

Foghorn Dutch and I crossed paths about 40 years ago in a sawdust joint in Ely when I was just breaking in and he was about washed up. Foghorn was the last of a special breed of gambler, the professional stickman, from the long-gone days when the man handling the dice stick on the crap table was a skilled specialist. The stickman was not a dealer, resented being called a dealer, and on a bad day wouldn't talk to a dealer.

Most of the time we dealt without an outside stick, just two dealers mucking their own dice, and on that kind of game Foghorn was a loser. He dealt very badly, and he was too old to get any better or even care.

But when we needed a stickman on weekends, Foghorn came into his

Suitcase Murphy hustled
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own. He controlled the game flawlessly, filling the blank spots between rolls with outrageous stories. He hustled prop bets with award-winning sincerity. He knew which end of the table to watch, a lost art today, and could hustle a token from an unemployed undertaker. He attracted players to the game and then held them with his ability

to make them laugh and have fun. It was rumored that if the game found itself totally out of control, Foghorn was just the fellow to bust in the dice that would put out the fire. He also had a voice that could shake the walls.

Foghorn's most audacious move, requiring the nerve of a practicing bigamist, was to spot a couple walking by, hook the fellow's shirt pocket with the stick, and then ever so gently, smiling and laughing, pull him over to the game, using the old carny hustle "come on over and win a dolly for your dolly"—and they loved it.

Suitcase Murphy, a gentleman originally from New York or Los Angeles, depending on which story you wanted to believe, spent his life around Nevada casinos, hustling a precarious living by selling custom-made shirts to dealers and cocktail girls and undertaking various delicate or dangerous errands for casino bosses and owners.

Suitcase had two reasonably valid claims to fame. He knew where all the old-time rounders worked, how long



they'd been there, and where they were going next. And, as he boasted at every opportunity, he'd worked only one day in his adult life, an eight-hour shift in the Dixie Sandwich Shop in Las Vegas.

Murphy was usually without transportation of his own, yet he was everywhere. Nobody knew how he did it, or where he might turn up next. His personally staked-out territory was Nevada, and he hustled shirts in every joint in every town in the state.

I know that he visited another gambling town on at least one occasion. Four of us were leaving Vegas to go to work in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and the last person we saw in town was Suitcase, waving good-bye. Four days later we drove into downtown Hot Springs, and the first familiar face we saw was Suitcase, waving hello!

Shamrock and I got acquainted in Vegas when I was between engagements on the Strip, working in the Pioneer Club downtown and waiting for a chance to get back on the highway where the money was, and he was hustling break-in dealers all over town.

He was very Irish, probably 75 years old, and had worked in casinos, legal and illegal, virtually everywhere since he was a kid. When age finally got him, he retired on social security and hung around Vegas casinos, selling and servicing certain "tools" for those dealers who wanted to make some quick and

Joe's difficulty was simple. He always hated to have anybody win at his game, and he'd do anything to prevent it.

easy money.

Shamrock dealt in "subs" and "holdouts," devices used for decades to steal from the games. (A sub is a secret pocket between the tucked shirt and the pants where the dealer can hide checks. A holdout is an elastic gadget a dealer wears to hide checks up his sleeve.) These tools lowered the chance of detection considerably

when compared to bare-handed stealing, and they reduced the potential of severe physical discomfort at the hands of the casino management groups. I'm sure Shamrock made a comfortable living in those days. His price for a single check holdout back in the '50s was \$300, and his business was flourishing, at least among the youngsters.

Carnation Benny was one of the first bosses I met when I left Reno to try Las Vegas. He also was one of the first gambling bosses I'd noticed who didn't dress like a cowboy

We worked together in the newly opened Four Queens in downtown Vegas. Benny always conducted himself as a polished, poised gaming professional, and he dressed like a gentleman. His personal trademark was the fresh carnation that he wore in his buttonhole every day of his working life.

Benny was like lots of the gentleman gamblers from long ago, whose attitudes and demeanor added a visible touch of class to a gambling joint, whether working or, as he was fond of

doing, playing the don't side on craps, always for the limit.

Mexican Joe was at least 65 and had worked most of his life as a dealer in some tough Arizona and New Mexico border towns, where a 21 game did not lose money,



Carnation Benny's trademark was the fresh carnation he wore in his buttonhole.

ever! Joe was dealing in my pit at the International (now the Las Vegas Hilton). Management had discovered that he and my dad had been friends years before, so I'd been ordered to keep him out of trouble.

Joe's difficulty was simple. He hated to have anybody win at his game, and he'd do anything to prevent it. No matter how much money he'd stuffed in the box, just let some \$2 player win three hands in a row, and Joe was unbuttoned. He'd false shuffle, shuffle only once or twice, or break the deck with only nine or 10 cards out. He'd deal before the offending player could bet. He peeked constantly (his peek had all the subtlety of a bear getting into a phone booth), but he always drew the line at dealing deuces, I think.

All my appeals, threats, and arguments proved to have absolutely no effect on Joe. He'd dealt the game for more than 40 years, and when you



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After a year of hiking those ranges with his camera, Wuerthner recently produced a new book, *Nevada Mountain Ranges*.

Wuerthner provided the text and 83 of the book's 103 photos, while most of the others are by well-known photographers (and Nevada contributors) Larry Prosser and Jeff Gnass. *Nevada Mountain Ranges*, 100 pages in softcover, has a fold-out map and at \$15.95 is available from bookstores or through the publisher, American & World Geographic Publishing, Box 5630, Helena, MT 59604.

Wuerthner lives in Livingston, Montana, and he is currently working on a book about the Sierra Nevada. —D. Brian Burghart

Wabuska's Mystery Man

His father was a famous martyr, but Edward Lovejoy's real hero was his mother.

By William G. Chrystal

For years a tombstone marked "E. P. Lovejoy" in the Dayton cemetery has puzzled the town's residents. Few, if any, have ever heard of him.

A local historian might have discovered that Edward P. Lovejoy, a Wabuska innkeeper at the time of his death in 1891, was a friend of Sam Davis, editor of the *Carson Appeal*. Davis often teased Lovejoy in print about being the Wabuska Mangler, proprietor of a fictional newspaper of the same name. In those tongue-in-cheek accounts Lovejoy was called an "old liar" who "has been slinging mud at the *Appeal* for some years." Davis, who enjoyed a good hoax, jokingly accused Lovejoy of all sorts of misdeeds.

Yet the joke really was on Davis, who apparently didn't know his friend's true identity. Edward Lovejoy, if he had talked openly about his past, would have gained far greater fame than that of the so-called Wabuska Mangler.

Edward was the only child of Elijah P. Lovejoy, an abolitionist editor who was shot to death by a pro-slavery mob in Illinois. It was Edward's secret, carried to his grave in Dayton, a grave that offers one of Nevada's few direct links to the national struggle to abolish slavery.

The connection between the various chapters of Edward's life—martyr's son, Wabuska notable, and burial—was discovered last fall by the author, who was pursuing research for the Elijah P. Lovejoy Society of St. Louis, an organization dedicated to freedom of the press. An obituary in the *Lyon County Times* led to the Dayton gravesite. Located near the top of a hill, the plot's windswept vista offers a somber place to count the cost of a father's martyrdom.

Edward had come west in 1856, and



Edward Lovejoy, an abolitionist symbol as a boy, lived in obscurity in Nevada. He was buried in Dayton.

like many others he never intended to remain. But the West suited the young man. His father's name, invoked over and over again as the battle against slavery raged to the east, meant less in Nevada and California. The West brought relief from a painful and troubling past. Here, a son's industry and integrity were more important than a father's renown.

Edward could have traded on the Lovejoy name. John King Lovejoy, a Virginia City newspaperman who died just before Edward arrived in Nevada,

claimed descent from the martyred Elijah, a fact the local press duly noted. Yet Edward made no such claim. He sought distance from memories such as being paraded with his mother before one anti-slavery rally after another.

Bitter poverty and countless moves were Edward's childhood lot. By the time he came to Nevada, in middle age, he had known success. Yet the person he had shared it with, the person upon whom he depended for life and strength, his mother Celia, was dead. After Celia's death, Edward didn't especially want to look back.

Edward Lovejoy was born March 12, 1836, the son of Elijah and Celia French Lovejoy. His father, the oldest son of a Congregational minister, graduated from Waterville (now Colby) College in Maine and left for St. Louis in 1827, where he became editor of the *St. Louis Times*. A religious awakening propelled Elijah east to Princeton Seminary and then back to St. Louis in 1833. As a Presbyterian minister and editor of the *St. Louis Observer*, a religious paper, Elijah became an abolitionist. Slavery, he wrote, is "like the vampire, it slowly and imperceptibly sucks away the lifeblood of society."

When a Missouri state attorney beat one of his slaves nearly to death, Elijah denounced the act. The *Observer* office was ransacked, the press thrown into the Mississippi River. Elijah moved across the river to Alton, Illinois, but history repeated itself. Three more presses were heaved into the river. His life was threatened. When the mob struck again, the determined newspaper editor and a group of armed supporters barricaded themselves in a warehouse with their new press. A fight ensued, and on November 7, 1837, Elijah Lovejoy

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was mortally wounded.

Elijah's death electrified the nation. For the first time, African-Americans saw whites sacrifice their own lives in the fight against slavery. Elijah's name became a household word in the North. A commemorative plate honoring his memory was even issued in Sheffield, England.

Elijah's brother, Owen, was a Congregational minister who became Abraham Lincoln's advisor on slavery. Owen and another brother, Joseph, wrote a biography of Elijah that further advanced his fame. Former President John Quincy Adams contributed the foreword, calling Elijah "the first American martyr to the freedom of the press and the freedom of the slave." Others vowed they would act, too. At a memorial service in Hudson, Ohio, a man named John Brown stood, saying he would avenge Elijah Lovejoy.

Celia Lovejoy collapsed when word of her husband's death reached her, "trembling," one witness said, "as though an arrow had pierced her heart." Never physically well, Celia recovered enough to visit her husband's grave several days later. "She wept freely," one of Elijah's brothers wrote. "She said on her return that she hoped she might live to train up her little son to imitate the example of his father."

Edward Lovejoy was 20 months old when Elijah died. For the next couple of years Edward and his mother appeared at abolitionist gatherings in places like Cincinnati and Oberlin, Ohio, raising money for the cause. They lived in Canada from 1841 to 1843, and although he was not even six, Edward recalled reading the entire Bible while they lived there.

Edward and Celia eventually moved to Upper Alton, Illinois, where he attended Shurtleff College, but Edward's health frightened Celia, and after only two years she pulled him out of school.



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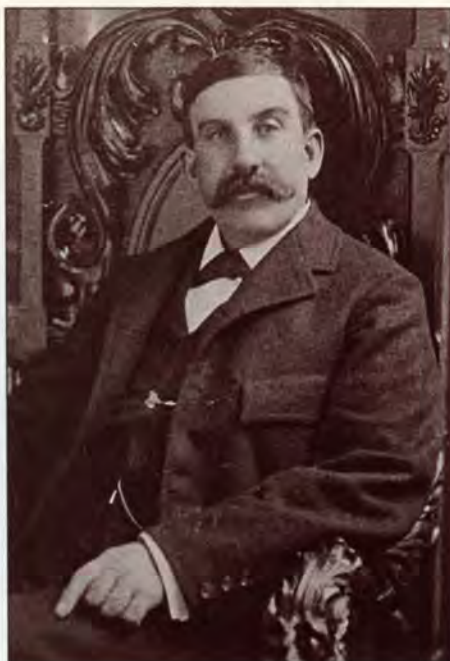
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When a neighbor begged Edward
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and bring back his daughter
and grandson,
Edward could not refuse.

They moved to Iowa, where Celia ran a boardinghouse, because Edward had experienced "several attacks of Bilious Fever...and Cholera."

Celia was unusually concerned about her son's welfare. As Edward later wrote, for more than 20 years mother and son "were constant companions...They lived in a world of their own; baring their inmost hearts to each other, but to none else." She did everything for him. Edward was 17 before Celia even would allow him to milk their cows. "Mother always took the lead," Edward recalled.

Yet Edward had his father's backbone, too. When a neighbor "who was more like a father to me than anything else" begged Edward to go to California and bring back his daughter and grand-



Sam Davis (above) jokingly portrayed Edward Lovejoy as a rival editor

son, Edward's namesake, who had been carried there by her gambler husband, Edward could not refuse. Late in the fall of 1856, Edward left his mother, headed down the Mississippi, and boarded a ship for California.

"Behold me going into the mountains of California... among a reckless, lawless people...to steal away from him a man's wife and child," Edward wrote 33 years later. "As it happened, the man was killed in a drunken brawl about the time I started, and the lady passed me in mid-ocean on the incoming steamer of the same line."

Edward made his way to the gold fields of Trinity County, 200 miles north of San Francisco, and urged his mother to join him. "My mother was troubled greatly with bronchitis and hysteria, being a very nervous woman, which was hardly to be wondered at, considering the trials and tribulations she had gone through," he later recounted. "I thought it would benefit her health to come where I was, and urged her to sell everything and come." Celia did as Edward requested. She arrived in the spring of 1859, the first woman to take the Overland Stage, according to her son.

Following his mother's arrival, Edward's fortunes soared. He became a lawyer, eventually serving as district attorney and county judge. In 1868, Edward bought the weekly *Trinity Journal*, which espoused the principles

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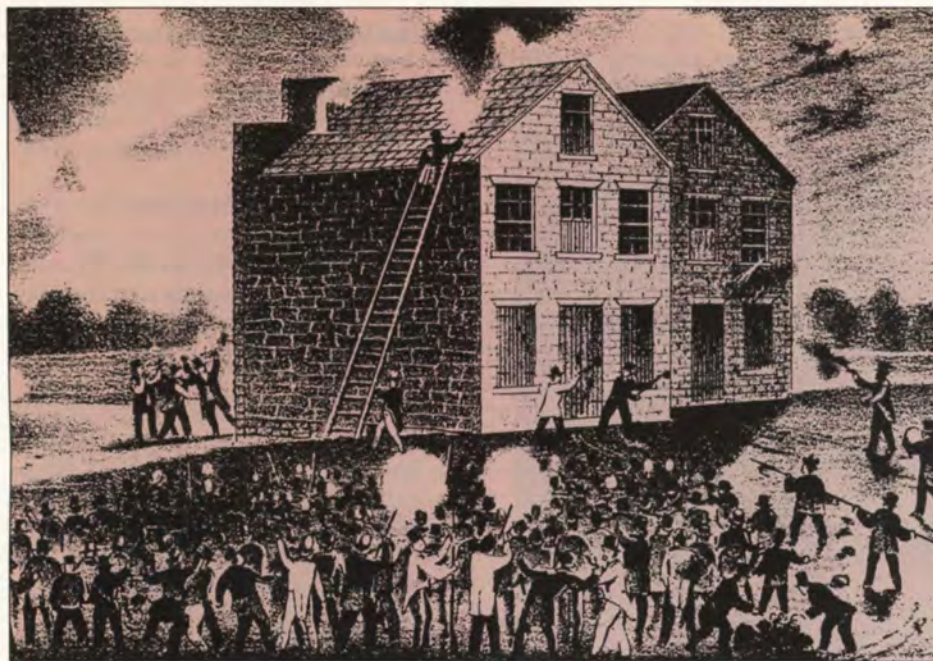
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This engraving depicts the 1837 mob attack on Edward's father that led to his death.

of the Republican Party of Abraham Lincoln. His father would have been proud of him. Edward battled the *Sacramento Union* on numerous occasions and took an unpopular local stand, too, urging "justice at least" for hard-pressed Chinese immigrants in a way

reminiscent of Elijah and the *Observer*

Although Edward was married in the fall of 1869 to Julia Holland, he was devastated by two events that took place shortly thereafter. On July 11, 1870, Celia Lovejoy died in Edward's arms.

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derstand the sorrows of the survivor," Edward wrote in the *Journal*. "It only remains to speak the last sorrowful words of parting. Beloved mother, pleasant companion, cheering comforter, faithful friend, father, mother, brother, sister, more than all combined, a sad, a last, a long farewell."

The following year doctors, trying to deliver Edward and Julia's baby, "killed it in the womb," Edward wrote. "I was heartbroken," he recalled. "It was such a large, strong infant and the picture of me."

Over the next few years Edward grew more and more disillusioned. He disliked the new district judge. Friends who had made a fortune mining in Virginia City, across the

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Sierra in Nevada, had urged him to move to the Comstock.

In the fall of 1877, Edward sold everything and moved to Virginia City. He couldn't have picked a worse time. "The bottom had dropped out of the stock market," Edward wrote, "and my friends were all broke."

He started a hotel, the American Exchange, on the northwest corner of E and Washington streets, but soon lost it. When the 1880 census was taken, Edward was listed as a 44-year-old "laborer" living in a modest lodging house on South C Street. Julia, described

as a "seamstress" and "visitor," was staying a few blocks away on South Howard Street.

That summer Edward was lucky enough to get on as a "common laborer" for the new Carson and Colorado Railroad. Within a week he attracted the attention of his supervisors and was placed in charge of a work gang.

When the railroad began operating in 1881, Edward was named agent for Wabuska, a little town on the north end of Mason Valley, about 30 miles south-east of Virginia City. The railroad gave him the materials to build a house and

such a favorable recommendation that he was able to borrow enough money to go into business. "E. P. Lovejoy, General Merchandise and Produce," his letterhead read. He was also appointed postmaster.

Edward and Julia's years in Wabuska were pleasant. "The trains stop here for dinner both ways," he wrote. "I carry a small stock of goods and entertain travelers." He did one thing that would have raised his father's ire, though. Edward kept a bar.

"My lot has been cast entirely among strangers," Edward wrote in March 1890 to his father's sister, Elizabeth Hammond of Chicago. Elizabeth had been looking for her "little nephew" for many years. Out of the blue, Edward heard from her, the first communication from any of his relatives since childhood.

The Hammond letter touched him deeply, awakening feelings Edward didn't know he had.

"I can recall no incident or event in my whole life that...stirred my being so deeply, brought my past life before me, reminded me of who I am so forcibly, as your letter," he wrote. "It was the greatest surprise of my life."

At the time he wrote Aunt Elizabeth, highlighting many aspects of his unusual life, Edward was 54 years old. He told her he had known "extremes of toil, want and privation, luxurious ease with hardly an ungratified desire." He had been up and down so often, Edward believed he was "almost indifferent to the changes in Fortune's kaleidoscope."

Yet one thing was certain. Although Celia had been dead nearly 20 years, Edward missed her terribly. He had been Celia's reason for living after Elijah's death. In the end, Celia had also been Edward's.

"Single-handed she battled with poverty to rear and educate her boy," he wrote. Tears streamed down Edward's bearded face as he traced his mother's influence for his aunt. "Whatever there may be of good in him, he owes to her teaching and example."

Edward died the following year, on August 26, 1891. His death came so suddenly that Julia was visiting friends in Virginia City at the time. He was buried in Dayton following Masonic services. Julia put a headstone for herself next to Edward, intending to be buried there, but she died and was buried in 1904 in Los Angeles.

The *Lyon County Times* said Edward's death cost Mason Valley "one of her enterprising citizens, a good business man and a friend to all the county's best in-

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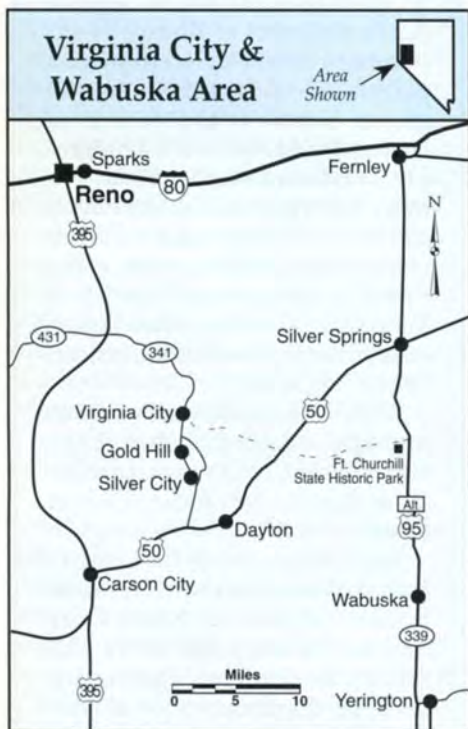
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terests." It had no way of knowing that Edward's death also marked the end of Elijah Lovejoy's line.

From time to time in the *Carson Appeal*, beginning in May 1889, Sam Davis had taken humorous potshots at Edward Lovejoy. The two had probably met at the Lyon County Fair, where Davis showed some of his prize cattle. He must have come to know Lovejoy well, or so Davis thought, feeling comfortable enough with the *Mangler* hoax to say in print that Lovejoy recommended a certain kind of liver pill, "St. Patrick's."

Another time Davis "quoted" the *Mangler* (a mangle was a press used to iron bed sheets), saying its editor, Lovejoy, had defended his press against "Sol Noel's Holstein bull." The bull "went home with his hide filled with No. 8 shot," the *Mangler* reported, according to Davis, "and if any of the gang come here again they will be treated to



Edward's Nevada years centered around Virginia City and the rail town of Wabaska.

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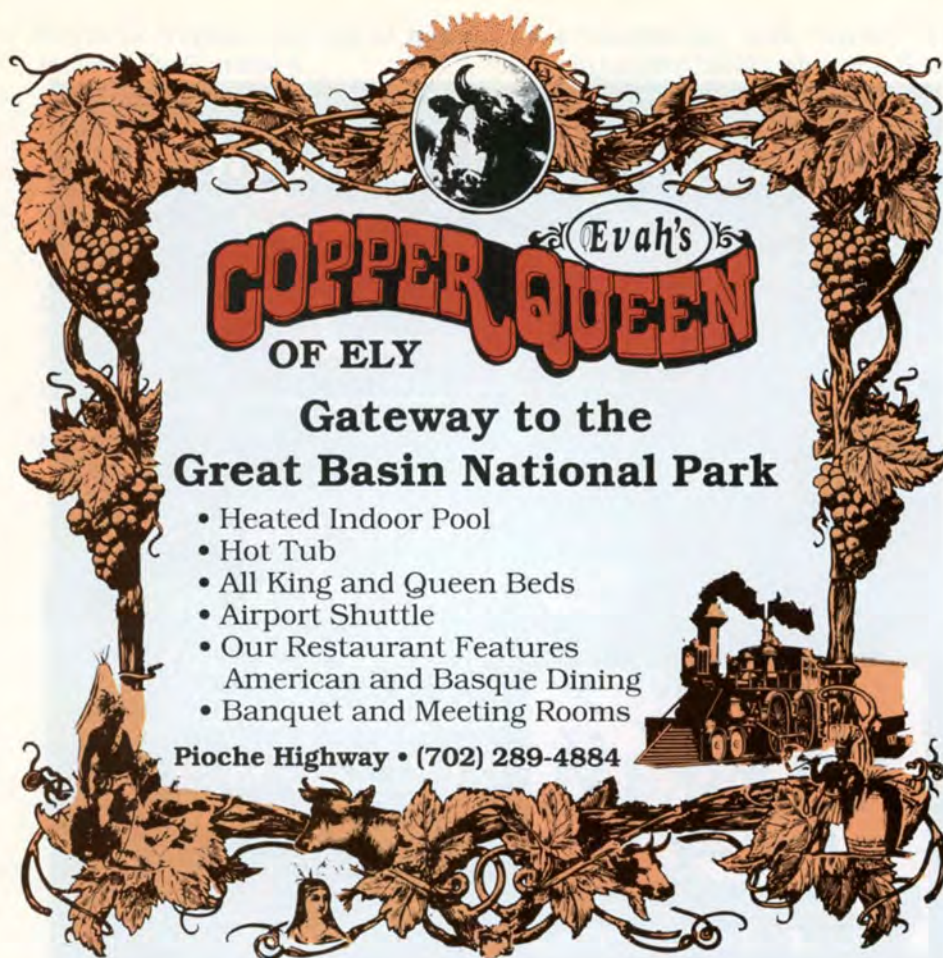
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Later this summer
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 father Elijah.

something a little heavier."

Had Davis been privy to Edward Lovejoy's innermost thoughts, it is unlikely that he would have talked about defending a press with "No. 8 shot," even in jest. For *Appeal* readers it was a good joke, but the irony would not have escaped the Wabuska innkeeper and former editor whom his mother had raised quietly, almost secretly, "to imitate the example of his father." □

William G. Chrystal, minister of Reno's First Congregational Church, is author of several books and a member of the Lovejoy Society.

Dignitaries in Dayton

Later this summer U.S. Senator Paul Simon of Illinois is expected to be in Dayton to place a plaque on Edward Lovejoy's grave. Simon is the author of *Lovejoy the Martyr*, a 1964 biography of Edward's father Elijah. For more information on the event, call William Chrystal, the author of the accompanying article, at the First Congregational Church of Reno, 702-747-1414, or Ron James, state historic preservation officer, 702-687-5138.

Also, William Chrystal will portray Edward Lovejoy during the Great Basin Chautauqua, July 26-29, at Rancho San Rafael Park in Reno.

For information on the Elijah P Lovejoy Society, write to President Robert Tabscott, 27 North Gore Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63119. The Lovejoy Society was organized in 1972 "for the preservation of first-amendment rights in American life." —WC



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The Backyard Traveler Returns: 62 Outings in Southern, Eastern and Historical Nevada by Richard Moreno. Carson City Children's Museum, Box 449, Carson City, NV 89702. 262 pages, \$9.95. Moreno's follow-up to *The Backyard Traveler* covers a plethora of day trips and outings in the Silver State, including historic towns such as Boulder City and Overton and booming border towns such as Laughlin and Wendover. It includes some of the less well-known sites in Nevada, such as the Meadow Valley Wash, as well as some of the obvious ones, like Hoover Dam. There also is a section on Nevada's ghost towns. Moreno, *Nevada Magazine's* publisher, draws the outings from his weekly columns in Carson City's *Nevada Appeal*.

Milepost I-80: San Francisco to New York by Mary Lu Kost Milepost Publications, Box 214474, Sacramento, CA 95821. 239 pages, \$16.95 softcover. This guide follows Interstate 80 as it winds its way across the United States from California to New Jersey, almost 2,900 miles in all. Going west to east, the author suggests Nevada stops such as the National Automobile Museum in Reno,

Pyramid Lake, the semi-ghost town of Unionville, Basque dinner houses in Winnemucca, and the Northeastern Nevada Museum in Elko.

The City of Trembling Leaves by Walter Van Tilburg Clark. University of

Nevada Press, Reno, NV 89557-0076. 704 pages, \$19.95 softcover. This is a re-release of the 1945 Random House version. Clark was a Reno and Virginia City resident for many years, and as the acclaimed author of such novels as *The Ox-bow Incident* and *The Track of the Cat*, he was considered one of the finest writers of his era and a leading interpreter of the Western American experience. The feelings he evoked in this Reno-based classic about a young man coming of age are closely tied to the natural world of the open West.

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A Shadow of a Drought

Record snows are giving a lift to water sports.

By D. Brian Burghart

After six years of drought, Nevada's lakes are looking up. Water levels have risen throughout the state following last winter's record snowfall, and some lakes and reservoirs have made remarkable comebacks.

The state's two most popular lakes—Tahoe and Mead—both have more water than last year. Lake Mead will have its highest levels since 1990 due to reduced Hoover Dam releases and greater inflows from the Colorado.

At Tahoe, water is creeping back up on the beaches. Thanks to this year's snowpack—some ski resorts still had more than 20 feet of snowpack in the spring—observers expect Tahoe to be spilling over its natural rim (6,223 feet) into the Truckee River. Cave Rock can accommodate 20-foot boats, whereas last year 14-footers were the longest it could handle. Of course, with a maximum depth of more than 1,600 feet, Tahoe has always had lots of water.

Washoe Lake, which was a mud flat last summer, has reappeared—it's about 10 feet at its deepest. The Nevada Department of Wildlife has plans to stock white bass and channel catfish at Washoe.

The reservoirs at Lahontan and Rye

Patch state recreation areas are expected to be about three quarters full—good news considering Lahontan's catamaran races were canceled last year and Rye Patch was drained for irrigation. Plans call for the stocking of walleye, channel catfish, rainbow trout, and wipers (a cross between white and striped bass).

Pyramid Lake has come up, and its new dock is handling any boat that wants to use it. When Washoe was dried out by the drought, numerous windsurfers started going to Pyramid. Walker Lake is low, about the same as last year, but boat-launching is possible.

North of Elko, the reservoir at Wild Horse State Recreation Area is almost full. Joining smallmouth bass are planted trout such as rainbow, tiger (brown and brook hybrid), and bowcut (rainbow and cutthroat hybrid).

Spring Valley, Echo Canyon, and Beaver Dam reservoirs near Caliente and Pioche have rebounded, too. Camper's note: At Cave Lake, near Ely, 20 of the 36 campsites will be closed till July due to construction at the state park. □

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Vanishing Nevada

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In addition, archaeologists have begun to uncover and preserve the site of Las Vegas' Old Mormon Fort, the oldest building in Southern Nevada. Only one part of the historic fort, built in 1855 by Mormon missionaries, is still standing, but archaeologists hope to discover other remnants and will conduct public tours of the dig site.

An unusual preservation project is Heritage Street at the Clark County Heritage Museum in Henderson. During the past decade, the museum has acquired six historical buildings scheduled for demolition and moved them to the museum grounds. There, the structures have been restored, stocked with period furnishings, and opened for interpretive tours.

The oldest building on Heritage Street is the Giles/Barcus House. Built in 1906 in Goldfield, it was moved to Las Vegas in the early 1950s. Next door is the Beckley House, a California-style bungalow built in 1912 by a pioneer Las Vegas businessman.

Christie Leavitt, curator of education at the museum, says moving a building is better than losing it forever. She says, "Although it's not ideal to have these buildings taken from their original locations and out of that context, in Southern Nevada the reality has been either you have taken the structures and moved them or you lose them."

Even ghost towns are finding ways to survive. In the case of Shermantown, the Eastern Nevada ghost town scavenged by artifact merchants, the destruction was halted when the looters were discovered by federal authorities. The operation was shut down, the artifacts were confiscated, and those involved received a stiff fine. (Illegally digging a historic site is a federal offense punishable by up to five years in prison and fines of \$100,000.)

Forest Service archaeologists surveyed Shermantown and determined that the camp was remarkably intact. As a result, a five-year archaeological study of Shermantown is under way. Surveys also are being conducted this summer at Treasure City, a few miles away.

Rhyolite's deterioration was hastened by both nature and man. Founded in 1905, Rhyolite had more than 6,000 residents and was one of the last of the great turn-of-the-century mining towns. But once it was abandoned, Rhyolite began

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to be reclaimed by the desert.

Fortunately, local preservationists formed the Friends of Rhyolite two years ago and set out to save the town's unique bottle house, the railroad depot, and a few other surviving landmarks (see sidebar and *Nevada*, Jan/Feb '92).

These successes have encouraged grass-roots groups throughout the state to beg, borrow, and arm-twist money in the hope they, too, can save a cherished local relic.

Yerington residents have been working for the past four years to rehabilitate the town's former Grammar School

No. 9 into a cultural center. The two-story Italian Renaissance Revival-style brick building dates back to 1912. "The school is a part of Yerington's heritage," says project chair Jeanne Dini. "It has just been sitting there since 1980 with no apparent purpose, yet we don't have a facility in Yerington to house our arts groups."

The Caliente Depot, built in 1923, is being weatherized and renovated for use by the Community College of Southern Nevada. Over the past two years, community leaders have received commitments of nearly \$350,000 from pub-



Dewey Jay (left) and Glenn Logan aim to save the old Douglas County High School.

lic and private sources to rehabilitate the structure. Preservationist Rodden, who has been working with Caliente, says the money will allow roof improvements and the installation of an elevator—the first in Lincoln County.

A group of Carson Valley residents is trying to turn the former Douglas County High School in Minden into an arts center and museum. Glenn Logan, class of '48 and chair of the local committee, says the group has raised \$200,000, most of it spent to make the building earthquake proof. He hopes that additional funding will be raised to complete work on the old school, which holds memories for many residents.

"It was built in 1914, at the same time the county seat was moved from Genoa to Minden," Logan points out. "My mother went to school there—she was in one of the first classes there. I went there. It's kind of a sentimental thing for many of us."

While the climate for historic preservation is changing for the better in Nevada, losses like the Nixon Opera House show how quickly a beloved community landmark can disappear. Today in Winnemucca, visitors to the former site of the opera house will find only a grassy park and not a trace of what was once there. □

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Saving Rhyolite

When Kari Coughlin walks the dusty streets of Rhyolite, she hears ghosts. She hears the rustle of a woman's dress, the shriek of a distant train whistle, and the clippity-clop of horseshoes on hard-packed dirt.

"Rhyolite is the only town in the Death Valley area that has anything left," she says. "This town was once a thriving community, and I think that's what makes it so eerie. It speaks to the lengths people go to build something and not have it last."

Coughlin, a park ranger and interpreter at Scotty's Castle in Death Valley National Monument, is chair of the Friends of Rhyolite, a nonprofit group formed to preserve the ruins of the old mining town, which is four miles west of Beatty and 120 miles northwest of Las Vegas.

"Our goal is to stabilize all of the ruins in the town," she says. "Ideally, we'd like to reconstruct exactly how the town was like, so you can see

just how large it was."

The Friends first came together two years ago to discuss ways to save Rhyolite's bottle house, built of more than 20,000 bottles in 1906. The group persuaded the Bureau of Land Management to finance a rehabilitation study for the bottle house.

Now with more than 250 members, the Friends of Rhyolite is raising money to renovate the bottle house for possible use as a visitor center and to stabilize the towering remains of the John S. Cook Bank building, which is sorely in need of attention. The group's annual Rhyolite Reunion in March, which includes living history tours, has focused considerable attention on the future of the former mining camp. The group has installed restrooms, recruited volunteer guardians, and created a walking-tour booklet. Soon it will produce a Rhyolite coloring book.

"We have seen the interest in Rhyolite grow since our group was



Rhyolite friends Debbie Stetz, Carol Kassebaum, Kate Graves, and Kari Coughlin (from left) at the old bank.

formed," Coughlin says. "I don't think the town would have been saved without that."

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Small Towns

Nevada's other small towns have bragging rights, too.

By Carole Popoff

In February Elko was named the "Best Small Town in America" by author Norman Crampton in his guide, *The 100 Best Small Towns in America* (see "We're Number One?" on page 10). Nevadans greeted this declaration with enthusiasm, but other small towns in Nevada are gearing up for a shot at the title. In random order, the following have their own unique reasons for being the best, with figures based on the 1990 census.

1 Boulder City: There's virtually no way to escape Nevada's climatic extremes, but a temperate choice is Boulder City. Spring and fall are beautifully mild, although in summer the mercury can creep above the century mark. In winter, it rarely freezes (except at night), and only a half-inch of snow falls per year on average.

2 Ely: If your dream is to remodel an old house, the statistics would send you to Ely, where 27 percent of the homes were built before 1939. Lovelock is another alternative for admirers of old houses, since 24 percent of its homes are pre-World War II.

3 Lovelock: History buffs take note: Lovelock is the place to soak up Nevada history from a personal perspective. Per capita, it has more folks who were born in Nevada (41 percent) than any other rural community.

4 Gardnerville: If you're single at any age and looking for a mate, you may want to check out the scene in Gardnerville. More than 38 percent of the residents there are not married.

5 Mesquite: The border town of Mesquite is the fastest-growing community in Nevada, with an annual average growth rate of 7.4 percent. Mesquite and Wendover, another border town, also have the most newcomers—86 percent are from somewhere else. By the way, about 80 percent of Nevada's residents weren't born here.



Pahrump is a haven for veterans of the U.S. military and Harvest Festival barbecues.

6 Eureka and Goldfield: Two of Nevada's least populated counties have the best student-to-teacher ratios. Eureka and Beowawe in Eureka County have an average ratio of 10 to 1 (the state average is 20 to 1). In Esmeralda County, Goldfield and tiny Silver Peak and Dyer have old-fashioned schools where students in different grades meet in one classroom. The average student-to-teacher ratio is 13 to 1.

7 Pahrump: If you can judge a town's patriotism by its number of veterans, Pahrump probably flies the most red, white, and blue. About 25 percent of the community's residents have served in the armed forces. Tonopah and Hawthorne are second with 20 percent. Hawthorne hosts an annual Armed Forces Day Celebration every May.

8 Spring Creek: Folks who have kids will appreciate Spring Creek, the small rural community southeast of Elko, where a whopping 36 percent

of the residents are under the age of 18. Of course, it also has the advantage of being only about 12 miles from the Best Small Town in America.

9 Wendover: Cultural diversity makes for a well-rounded community (and is also one of Crampton's standards). More than 28 percent of Wendover's citizens speak a foreign language. Of those, 81 percent speak Spanish, seven percent speak an Asian language, and 12 percent speak other languages.

10 Yerington: Nevada's largest concentration of senior citizens is in Yerington, where more than 26 percent of the residents are at least 65 and counting. Pahrump comes second with 22 percent. About 10 percent of Nevada's population is over age 65. □

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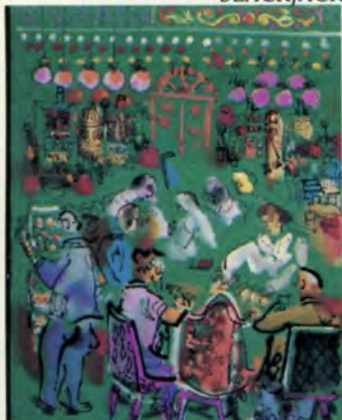
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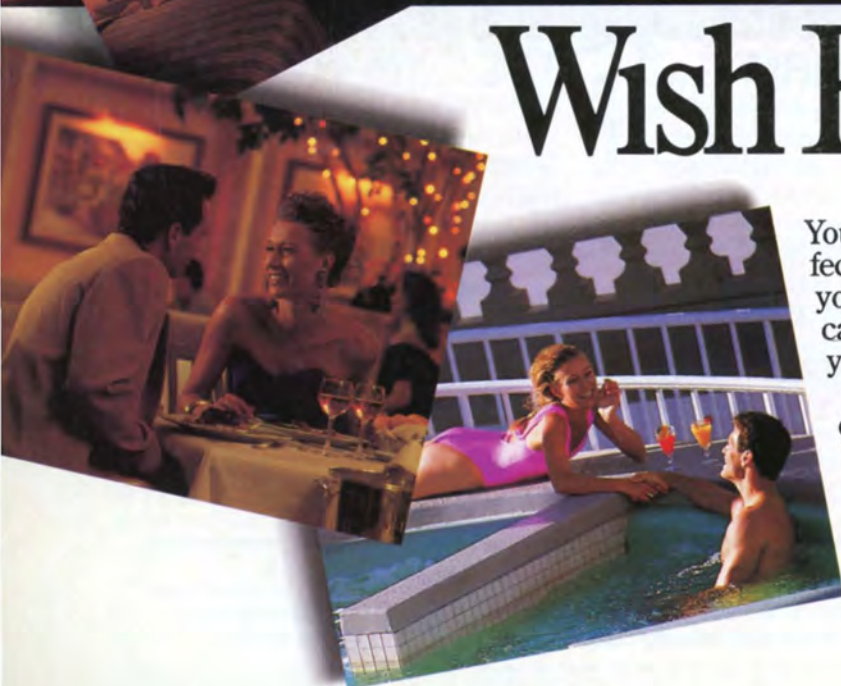


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Jim Butler is credited with founding Tonopah in the early 1900s. Every May the townspeople pay tribute during Jim Butler Days. Photo: Nevada Historical Society

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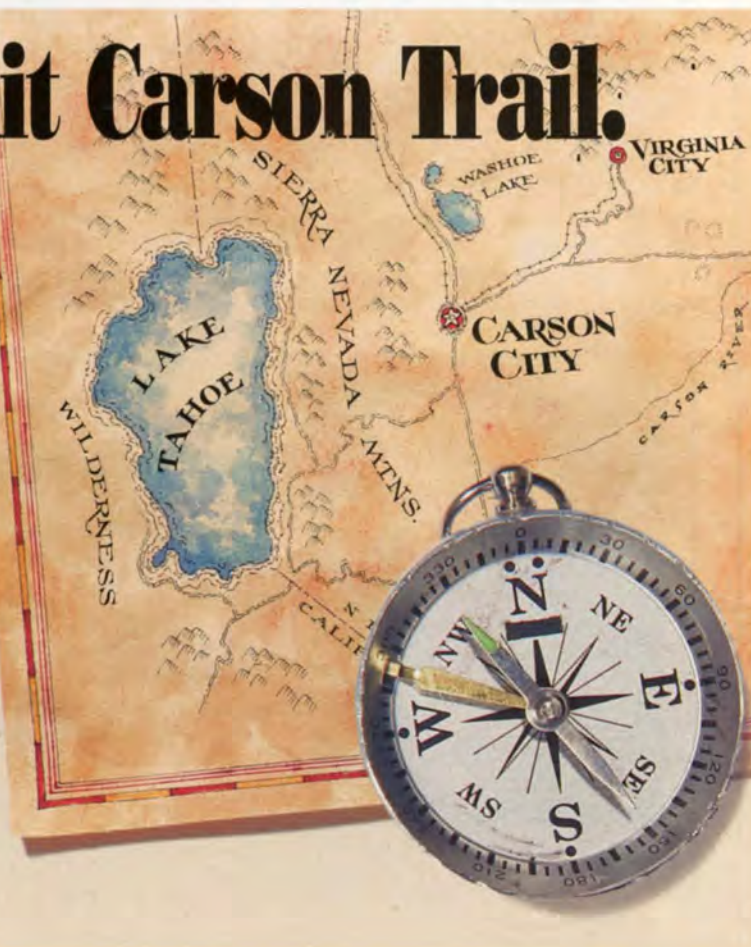
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Butler Did It

Tonopah residents throw a founder's day party.

By Sherril Steele-Carlin

Legend has it that Tonopah owes its founding to a jackass.

Accompanied by two burros, Jim Butler was on a trip in Central Nevada in May 1900. Butler, 45, had just finished a stint as the district attorney of Nye County. His \$35 monthly salary was his only reliable income.

He made camp near an outcrop of rock near Sawtooth Pass. Next morning when he awoke, one of his burros had wandered up the hillside. Picking up a loose rock, he prepared to toss it at the errant jackass when the rock's unusually heavy weight stopped him. He packed the sample and a few others before resuming his trip.

Because he was short on funds, his samples weren't assayed for weeks. Butler enlisted the help of Tasker Oddie, who in turn enlisted assayer Walter Gayhart. Both became Butler's partners and prominent Nevada politicians.

Gayhart's assay showed an astounding 640 ounces of silver per ton of ore. By the time the results were returned to Oddie, it was haying time at Butler's Monitor Valley ranch, and the assay results had to wait even longer. Late in August, Butler and his wife Belle



Jim Butler (left) and his ornery burro have not been forgotten in Tonopah.

finally returned to the discovery site. They located several claims, including the Mizpah, Desert Queen, Burro, Silver Top, and Buckboard. Belle located the Mizpah, which became one of the rich-

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Tonopah's Jim Butler Days, an annual town celebration honoring its turn-of-the-century beginnings, takes place on Memorial Day weekend, May 28-30. A street dance kicks off the festivities on Friday, May 28. Saturday begins with the Jim Butler Days parade. Old-time mining competitions fill the afternoons, including the Nevada state championships in mucking, single- and double-jack drilling, and spike driving.

Two new events this year are hot-air balloon races and a mine-rescue competition. There are barbecues, chili cook-offs, a fiddler's contest, Toughest in the West 10K run, State Liars Contest, arts and crafts, arm wrestling, and evening dances throughout the weekend. Also planned is a 50-year reunion for the personnel who were stationed at the Tonopah Army Air Field from 1942 through 1945.



funds were still short, the partners decided to lease the mining rights for one year beginning in December 1900.

Leasers began to pour into the town, which at the time consisted of only a few tent cabins. In January 1901 the first boardinghouse was opened by Lottie Stimler Nay, the third woman to settle in Tonopah. This humble beginning marked the start of Tonopah's growth as a mining community.

Originally called Butler in honor of its founder, the name Tonopah began to catch on about 1901. "Tonopah" was a Shoshone word meaning "water brush," referring to the natural springs in the area. Although the name Tonopah was used as early as 1902, the post office continued to cancel mail under the name Butler until 1905, when the town became the Nye County seat.

At one point Tonopah had 10,000 residents. Today's population hovers around 3,500, due largely to the nearby Tonopah Test Range that, until recently, was home to the F-117A Stealth fighter.

The original mining area that began the boom was recently donated to the city by the Echo Bay Mining Company. There have been discussions about turning the area into a park.

Every Memorial Day weekend, Tonopah remembers its lively history and founding father by throwing a spirited bash called Jim Butler Days.

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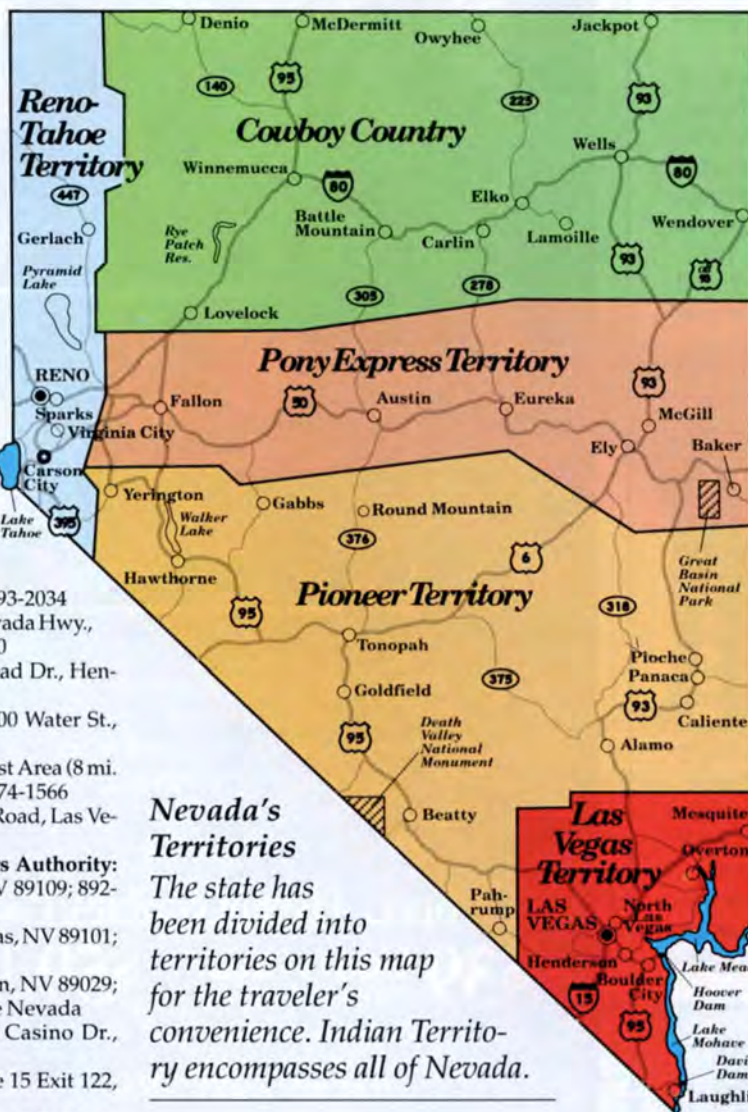
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Nevada's Territories

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1524 Hwy. 395, No. 1, Gardnerville, NV 89410-7814; 782-8144 or 800-727-7677 in U.S.
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Sparks C of C: 831 Victorian Ave., Sparks, NV 89431; 358-1976
Tahoe-Douglas C of C: Box 7139, Stateline, NV 89449; 588-4591
Tahoe North Visitors and Convention Bureau: Box 5578, Tahoe City, CA 95730; 916-583-3494 or 800-824-6348 anywhere in U.S.
Virginia City C of C: V&T Railroad Car, C St., Virginia City, NV 89440; 847-0311

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Battle Mountain C of C: Box 333, Battle Mountain, NV 89820; 635-8245
Elko C of C: 1601 Idaho St., Elko, NV 89801; 738-7135
Elko Convention and Visitors Authority: 700 Moren Way, Elko, NV 89801; 738-4091 or 800-248-ELKO outside Nevada
Jackpot Visitors Information: Box 508, Jackpot, NV 89825; 755-2321, 800-821-3935 in Nevada, 800-821-1103 anywhere in U.S.
Jarbridge Community Assn.: c/o Trading Post, Box 260072, Jarbridge, NV 89826; 488-2315
Lovelock C of C: Box 821, Lovelock, NV 89419; 273-7213
McDermitt Information: Box 278, McDermitt, NV 89421
Wells C of C: Box 615, Wells, NV 89835; 752-3540
Wendover USA Visitors/Convention Bureau: Box 2468, Wendover, NV 89883; 664-3414
Winnemucca C of C: 48 W. Winnemucca Blvd., Winnemucca, NV 89445; 623-2225

Winnemucca Convention and Visitors Bureau: 50 W. Winnemucca Blvd., Winnemucca, NV 89445; 623-5071

Pony Express Territory

Austin C of C: Box 212, Austin, NV 89310; 964-2200
Dayton C of C: Box 408, Dayton, NV 89403; 246-7909 (open Thurs.-Sun.)
EDASS (Econ. Development of Silver Springs): Box 269, Silver Springs, NV 89429; 577-2008
Ely's Bristlecone Convention Center: Box 958, Ely, NV 89301; 289-3720
Eureka County C of C: Box 14, Eureka, NV 89316; 237-5484
Fallon Area C of C: 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406; 423-2544

Fallon Convention and Tourism Authority: 100 Campus Way, Fallon, NV 89406; 423-4556 or 800-874-0903 anywhere in U.S.

Fernley C of C: Box 1606, Fernley, NV 89408; 575-4459

Great Basin C of C: Baker, NV 89311; 234-7302

White Pine C of C: 636 Aultman, Ely, NV 89301; 289-8877

Pioneer Territory

Amargosa C of C: HCR 69-2 Box 401W, Amargosa, NV 89020; 372-5459

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Caliente C of C: Box 553, Caliente, NV 89008; 726-3129

Gabbs, City of: Box 86, Gabbs, NV 89409; 285-2671

Goldfield C of C: Box 225, Goldfield, NV 89013; 485-9957

Goldfield Historical Society: Box 178, Goldfield, NV 89013; 485-6365

Greater Smoky Valley C of C: Box 2020, State Route 376 at Carver's Station, Round Mountain, NV 89045; 377-2490

Lincoln County C of C: Box 553, Caliente, NV 89008; 726-3129

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Mineral County C of C: Box 1635, Hawthorne, NV 89415; 945-5896

Pahrump Valley C of C: Box 42, Pahrump, NV 89041; 727-5800

Pioche C of C: Box 51, Pioche, NV 89043; 962-5544 (office hours: 11am-3pm Mon.-Sat.)

Tonopah C of C: Box 869, Tonopah, NV 89049; 482-3859

Tonopah Convention Center: Box 408, Tonopah, NV 89049; 482-3558

Indian Territory

Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada: 806 Holman Way, Sparks, NV 89431; 355-0600

Indian Territory Chair: Stewart Indian Museum, 5366 Snyder Ave., Carson City, NV 89701; 882-1808

State and National Parks

Death Valley National Monument: Death Valley, CA 92328; 619-786-2331

Great Basin National Park: Baker, NV 89311; 234-7331

Lake Mead National Recreation Area: 601 Nevada Hwy., Boulder City, NV 89005; 293-8907

Nevada Division of State Parks: Capitol Complex, Carson City, NV 89710; 687-4387

Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area: Box 26569, Las Vegas, NV 89126; 363-1921

More Camping, Hiking, and Fishing

Bureau of Land Management: Main: Box 12000, Reno, NV 89520; 785-6402; Box 26569, Las Vegas, NV 89126; 647-5000; 1523 Hot Springs Rd., Suite 300, Carson City, NV 89701, 885-6000; Box 831, Elko, NV 89801, 738-4071

Humboldt National Forest: 976 Mountain City Hwy., Elko, NV 89801; 738-5171

Nevada Dept. of Wildlife: Main: Box 10678, Reno, NV 89520, 688-1500; Southern Nevada: State Mail Complex, Las Vegas, NV 89158; 486-5127

Pyramid Lake: Pyramid Lake Fisheries: Star Route, Sutcliffe, NV 89510; 673-6335

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Las Vegas Territory

EVENTS

May

U.S. National Wrestling Championships, April 27-May 2, Las Vegas Convention Center, 871-3818

Las Vegas Senior Golf Classic, April 29-May 2, Senior PGA event, Desert Inn Golf Course, 733-4653

"Best Little Whorehouse in Texas," April 29-May 2 and May 5-9, musical, Judy Bayley Theatre, UNLV 895-3801

Casino Collectibles Show and Convention, April 30-May 1, Aladdin Hotel, 658-5417

UNLV Dance Arts Student Choreographers Showcase, April 30-May 2, Black Box Theatre, UNLV 895-3801

Cinco de Mayo, April 30-May 2, flamenco dancer, arts and crafts festival, entertainment, Harrah's Laughlin, 298-4600 or 800-447-8700

Western Regional Team Roping Championship, April 30-May 2, Horseman's Park, 731-2115

Las Vegas Civic Ballet Spring Concert, April 30-May 2 and May 7-9, Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 229-6211

Cyber Vegas Show, thru May 2, collages generated through digital imaging technology, West Charleston Library, 733-3601

Sugar Daddy Charity Tennis Classic, thru May 6, Green Valley Athletic Club, 732-4795

UNLV Student Art Show, thru May 7 Donna Beam Fine Art Gallery, UNLV 895-3801

World Series of Poker, thru May 13, 24th annual, Binion's Horseshoe, 382-1600 ext. 7280

Art-A-Fair and Festival of the Arts, thru May 18, Green Valley Library, Henderson, 435-1840

TERRITORY MAP



Mesquite strikes up the band during Mesquite Days. The May 27-29 salute includes a parade and rodeo.

Children's Art on the Reservation, thru May 22, art by Native American school children, preface to Fourth Invitational Native American Festival (April 2-4), Clark County Heritage Museum, Henderson, 455-7955

Art From Around the World Exhibit, thru May 25, Sunrise Library, 453-1104

Private Collections: People and Places Exhibit, thru May 28, works from select Las Vegas private collections, Nevada Institute for Contemporary Art, 895-3751

Art Exhibit, thru May 31, pen-and-ink drawings of children by Linda Trenhom, Mesquite Library, Mesquite, 346-5224

Photography Exhibit, thru June 2, photos by Joan Ingoldsby Brown, Charleston Heights Arts Center, 229-6383

Photo Exhibit, thru June 2, by Carol Goldmark, Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 229-6211

Center, UNLV 895-3900

Horse Show, May 1, 9am, Southern Nevada Hunter/Jumper Assn., Horseman's Park, 433-9757

Las Vegas Folklife Festival, May 1-2, a celebration with music and dance performances, crafts and exhibits, ethnic food, and children's activities, free, Sammy Davis, Jr. Festival Plaza, Lorenzi Park, and Nevada State Museum and Historical Society, 688-1225

Great Basin Photography Exhibit, May 1-31, Lost City Museum, Overton, 397-2193

Contemporary Beadwork Exhibit, May 1-June 16, Winchester Center Gallery, 455-7340

National Tourism Awareness Week, May 2-8, Las Vegas Convention Center, 735-1261

Las Vegas HellDorado Days Western Art Exhibit, May 2-30, works by Southwestern artists, opening event for the 59th annual Las Vegas

Spinning the Magic: The Las Vegas News Bureau Story, thru July 31, Nevada State Museum and Historical Society, 486-5205

History in the Making: The Moulin Rouge Civil Rights Exhibit, thru Dec. 31, recalls the 1955 hotel-casino's pivotal role in breaking down racial barriers, Nevada State Museum and Historical Society, 486-5205

Texas Tornados Concert, May 1, part of spring concert series, 8pm, Flamingo Hilton Laughlin's outdoor amphitheater, 298-5028

UNLVino, May 1, wine tasting hosted by the Hotel Administration College, Thomas and Mack

HOT LINES

Charleston Heights Arts Center: films, art and photography exhibits, chamber music, dramas, 386-6383

Fern Adair Conservatory of the Arts: ballet, musicals, theater, 458-7575

Las Vegas Stars: Triple-A baseball, San Diego Padres farm club playing in Pacific Coast League, May 7-10 v. Tacoma Tigers, May 11-14 v. Calgary Cannons, May 15-18 v. Colorado Springs Sky Sox, May 28-31 v. Tucson Toros, June 10-13 v. Vancouver Canadians, June 14-17 v. Portland Beavers, June 26-29 v. Calgary Cannons, June 30-July 3 v. Albuquerque Dukes, July 15-18 v. Tucson Toros, July 19-22 v. Portland Beavers, July 23-26 v. Tacoma Tigers, Cashman Field, 386-7200

Nevada Division of State Parks: hikes, tours, stargazing, campfire programs at 21 parks around the state, District VI, Las Vegas, 486-5126

Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area: 363-1921

Reed Whipple Cultural Center: concerts, film festivals, melodramas, 386-6211

UNLV Baseball: May 7-9 v. New Mexico State, Roger Barnson Field, UNLV 895-3900

UNLV Concerts: music and dance, 739-3101

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

Helldorado Days (May 21-30), Las Vegas Art Museum, 870-1221

Soroptimist International Charity Golf Classic, May 3, benefit for Ronald McDonald House, Sunrise Golf Club, 735-3582

Heritage Collection Art Exhibit, May 4-23, Lucille Bruner's watercolors depicting the growth of Nevada, West Charleston Library, 878-3682

Mesquite-Virgin River Polka Fest, May 6-9, polka bands and dancing, Virgin River Hotel, Mesquite, 346-7777 or 800-346-7721

Triple Crown Softball Tournament, May 7-8, fast-pitch, Pioneer Park Softball Complex, Mesquite, 346-5080

Las Vegas Helldorado Trail Ride, May 7-9, three-day horseback ride in Southern Nevada, barbecue, and entertainment, coincides with Las Vegas Helldorado Days (May 21-30), 870-1221

"The Tender Trap," May 7-9, May 13-16, and May 20-23, comedy, Las Vegas Little Theatre, Spring Valley Library Theatre, 383-0021

Pointer Sisters Concert, May 8, part of spring concert series, 8pm, Flamingo Hilton Laughlin's outdoor amphitheater, 298-5028 or 800-435-8469

Las Vegas Senior Citizens Center 17th Anniversary Celebration, May 8, crafts, food booths, games, entertainment, in honor of the community's over-50 population, Las Vegas Senior Citizens Center, 229-6454

Gun and Knife Show, May 8-9, Cashman Field, 386-7100 or 405-528-1222

Clark County Artists Show, May 8-9, Bicentennial Park, Boulder City, 293-2138

Solar System Exhibit, May 8-July 4, introduces the solar system to children through activities, telescopes, and "chemical soup," Lied Discovery Children's Museum, 382-3445

Mother's Day Jazz Picnic, May 9, noon-5pm, Paradise Park, 455-8200

Spring Golf Tournament, May 9-12, hosted by Sam Boyd's Fremont Hotel, play is at Sunrise and Royal Kenfield golf courses, 385-3232

Monopoly Tournament, May 12, with cocktail party, dinner, and auction, Juvenile Diabetes Foundation benefit, Sahara Hotel, 732-4795

Laughlin River Days, May 13-16, 10am parade on Sat., carnival, duck race, soap box derby, oil can derby, battle of the bands, street dance, concessions, 5K run, Miss Laughlin pageant, 298-2535

"Swan Lake," May 13-16, ballet, Nevada Dance Theatre, Judy Bayley Theatre, UNLV 895-3801

Rhythm and Ribs Concert, May 14, C.J. Chenier and the Red Hot Louisiana Band, Ruffnecks band, kick-off to the Craft Fair and Rib Burn-Off on May 15-16, 7pm, \$8, Sunset Park, 455-8200

USSSA Co-Ed Softball Tournament, May 14-15, Pioneer Park Softball Complex, Mesquite, 346-5080

"Charlotte's Web," May 14-16 and May 21-22, The Rainbow Company, Charleston Heights Arts Center, 229-6553

Student Art Exhibit, May 14-June 13, Donna Beam Fine Art Gallery, UNLV 895-3801

BTO Concert, May 15, part of spring concert series, 8pm, Flamingo Hilton Laughlin's outdoor amphitheater, 298-5028 or 800-435-8469

World's Largest Disc Tournament, May 15, Frisbee competitions, Freedom Park, 229-6402

Barbershop Quartet Competition, May 15,

PREVIEW



Event organizers hope that enthusiasm for the great outdoors will rise to new heights as a result of the National Trails Day celebration June 5.

Happy Trails

Dust off those boots and mountain bikes: Nevada is celebrating the first National Trails Day on June 5. Trail enthusiasts throughout the state will find races, endurance rides, and clinics on how to preserve and expand Nevada's trails.

Mountain-bike riders will rodeo at Floyd Lamb State Park, and folks will be rock climbing, hiking, and trail building on Mount Charleston.

In Reno, there will be a Steamboat Trail clean-up and barbecue.

For more information contact Liz Manion, Nevada Trails Coalition, HCR 38, Box 325, Las Vegas, NV 89124; phone 702-252-5082.

The Nevada Trails Coalition helps oversee trail use, including hiking, climbing, cross-country skiing, mountain biking, horseback riding, fishing, and spelunking.—*Susie Davis*

NIGHTLIFE

A Knight to Remember

BY DAVID RUSH
AND DARRELL SANTSCI

That Gladys Knight. She's still a pip. Although she and the three singers who backed her parted ways amicably two years ago, Knight still performs with the grace, vigor, and soul that made the act unforgettable.

Knight, an energetic rhythm and blues singer with a raspy voice and down-home stage personality, brings her solo act back to the Las Vegas Hilton on June 18-23. It's an act that includes enough new material to avoid Nostalgia Hell but contains enough memories to satisfy aging baby boomers.

"There's something about that music," Knight says of the R&B sounds of the '60s and '70s. "There is a certain kind of music that touches the heart, the soul, the mind."

Knight notes that today's singers are picking up on the old Motown sound. "All of this music is coming back," she says. "A great song is a great song no matter when you do it."

Sometimes, though, it's who is doing it. Occasionally Knight's light dims when she departs from her traditional fare. She loses altitude singing the well-traveled "Wind Beneath My Wings" but taps her audience's emotions with songs like Smokey Robinson's "Tracks of My Tears."

Knight thrives on give-and-take with her audience. When she isn't saluting the Pips or recounting tales of the songs introduced to and by her, she plays to the sentimental.

Her soft soul sound works wonders for some contemporary hits, as she demonstrates with the theme song from *Beauty and the Beast*. And there is plenty of feeling left for some golden oldies like "If I Were Your Woman" and "If You Don't Know Me By Now."



Hot Knight at the Hilton.

A native of Atlanta, Knight has been entertaining since she was four years old. Her big break came in 1951 when she appeared on TV's *Ted Mack Amateur Hour* at age seven. The next year, she and a brother, sister, and two cousins formed the Pips.

The personnel changed occasionally, but as an act Gladys Knight and the Pips were together for 39 years. Their first hit, "With Every Beat of My Heart," came in 1961. According to MCA Records, the group had hits in four different decades for four different record companies. Among the more memorable were "I Heard It Through the Grapevine," "Friendship Train," "I've Got to Use My Imagination," "The Best Thing That Ever Happened to Me," and "Neither One of Us."

In 1991 Knight went solo. Her brother Merald "Bubba" Knight, an original Pip, is now her bandleader.

The Pips' smooth moves are gone from the act, but Gladys Knight keeps their famous sound alive. She's still one of a kind. A real pip.

Gladys Knight performs at the Las Vegas Hilton June 18-23.

David Rush and Darrell Santsci are Southern California-based freelance writers.

- Cashman Field, 736-7979
- Bolognini Scholarship Concert**, May 15, 8pm, Ham Hall, UNLV 895-3801
- Bluegrass and Country Music**, May 15, noon, free, Community Park, Blue Diamond, 594-6422 or 564-5455
- Western National Antique and Collectibles Show**, May 15-16, Jackie Gaughan's Plaza, 382-7043
- Craft Fair and Rib Burn-Off**, May 15-16, ninth annual, arts and crafts, barbecue competition, entertainment, and free children's area, 10am-6pm, Sunset Park, 455-8200
- Liberace Birthday Celebration**, May 15-16, the Liberace Museum sponsors celebration culminating on what would have been the pianist-showman's 74th birthday (May 16), includes a Liberace Play-Alike contest, concerts, discount coupons for the museum tour, and a gigantic piano-shaped birthday cake, 795-5595 or 800-626-2625
- 5K Fun Run**, May 16, Tri-A-Run, Cashman Field, 870-8261
- Las Vegas Civic Symphony Concert**, May 16, free, Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 229-6211
- Nevada Symphony Orchestra**, May 19, 8pm, Ham Hall, UNLV 895-3801
- Championship Boxing**, May 19 and July 21, Riviera Hotel, 794-9433
- Las Vegas Youth Orchestra**, May 20, 7pm, Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 229-6211
- Golf Tournament**, May 20-22, hosted by Imperial Palace, play is at Painted Desert Golf Course, 794-3160
- Art Exhibit**, May 20-July 13, by Andrew Whitlock, Green Valley Library, Henderson, 435-1840
- Las Vegas Helldorado Days**, May 21-30, PRCA rodeo, 9am parade on May 22, carnival, midway, street dance, chili cook-off, Bull Ride '93, Whiskerino Contest, wild horse race, Wrangler Bull Fight, Helldorado queen coronation, Thomas and Mack Center, UNLV 870-1221
- Four Tops Concert**, May 22, part of spring concert series, 8pm, Flamingo Hilton Laughlin's outdoor amphitheater, 298-5028 or 800-435-8469
- Saxophonist Christopher Hollyday Jazz Quartet**, May 22, 8pm, Reed Whipple Cultural Center, 229-6211
- Myron Heaton Chorale Las Vegas**, May 22-23, music of Cole Porter, Gershwin, Berlin, Strauss, and Brahms, \$5 adults, \$4 seniors, location TBA, 870-0303
- Pan-American Firefighters Games**, May 23-27, 3,000 firefighters from the U.S., Canada, Central and South America compete, Las Vegas, 894-4408
- O.G. Mandino Lecture: The Greatest Secrets of Success**, May 25, author of *The Greatest Salesman in the World* and *The Greatest Miracle in the World*, Cashman Theater, 739-8118
- McDermott Masters 9-Ball and U.S. Team Open 8-Ball Pool Tournament**, May 25-June 5, Imperial Palace, 794-3160
- Art Exhibit**, May 25-July 11, watercolors by Lisa Faulkner Wright, West Charleston Library, 878-3682
- Mesquite Days**, May 27-29, ninth annual celebration of the incorporation of the city of Mesquite, with parade, rodeo, carnival, breakfast, and barbecue, and men's "D" softball tournament, Mesquite, 346-5295 or 346-5080
- Art-A-Fair '93 Tour**, May 27-June 27, Sunrise Library, 453-1104
- Snow Mountain Powwow**, May 28-30, fifth annual, Las Vegas Paiute Tribe, north of Las Vegas on U.S. 95 near Mount Charleston



Kimberly Fagnant, Miss Laughlin 1992, will crown her successor on the opening day of Laughlin River Days May 13-16.

turnoff, 386-4815

ESPN Sporting Clays Tournament, May 28-31, televised by ESPN, Peppermill Gun Club, Mesquite, 346-5232 ext. 3729 or 800-621-0187

"Camelot," May 29-30, 8pm Sat., 2pm Sun., Nevada Opera Theatre, Ham Hall, UNLV 895-3801 or 737-6373

Jazz in the Park, May 29-June 26 (every Sat.), free outdoor jazz show hosted by Alan Grant of Monday Night Jazz, bring chairs, picnic dinner, 7:30pm, Winchester Center Park, 455-8200

Southwest Weapons Collectors Gun and Knife Show, May 29-31, Henderson Convention Center, 602-855-8095

Back at the Ranch Exhibit, May 29-July 31, Clark County Heritage Museum, Henderson, 455-7955

International Food Festival, May 30, 14 ethnic groups prepare traditional foods, drinks, dancing, and singing, Las Vegas Convention Center, 898-6565 or 362-3742

Greek Food Festival, May 30, 21st annual, Greek bands, dancing, food, wines, and beer, traditional Greek costumes, 11am-10pm, sponsored by St. John's Greek Orthodox Church, Sahara Hotel Grand Ballroom, 221-8235

Nevada Symphony Orchestra Picnic Pops I, May 30, The Hills Park in Summerlin, 895-3801

June

Black Nevadans: Yesterday and Today Exhibit, June 1-30, Lied Discovery Children's Museum, 702-784-6587 or 702-382-5437

Art Exhibit, June 1-30, handmade paper by Bernice Breedlove and Maria Wurtz of Overton, Lost City Museum, Overton, 397-2193

Art Exhibit, June 3-Aug. 15, black-and-white manipulated photographs with hand painting and special effects, including macro photography and digital manipulation by Rudy and Barbara Gonzales, West Las Vegas Library, 647-2118

Home Remodeling and Decorating Show, June 4-6, Las Vegas Convention Center, 733-2323

National Trails Day, June 5, outdoor activities in the Las Vegas area including Floyd Lamb State Park and Mount Charleston, 252-5082

Jack Jones Concert, June 5, part of spring concert series, 8pm, Flamingo Hilton Laughlin's outdoor amphitheater, 298-5028 or 800-435-8469

Western Gala Barbecue, June 5, Western evening with ranch skills demonstrations and outdoor dance, Clark County Heritage Museum, Henderson, 455-7955

Las Vegas Fourth Annual All-You-Can-Eat Ice Cream Festival, June 5, entertainment, Nevada School of the Arts benefit, The Hills Park in Summerlin, 739-3502

Las Vegas Inferno Bike Festival, June 5, 100-mile perimeter ride around Las Vegas, start and finish at Freedom Park, festival at finish around 3pm, Freedom Park, 454-2500

The Percussions, June 5, 8pm, Sammy Davis, Jr.

Festival Plaza in Lorenzi Park, 229-6383

Southern Nevada Musical Arts Society Concert, June 5-6, salute to Broadway, 8pm Sat., 3pm Sun., Ham Hall, UNLV 895-3801

Children's Miracle Network Telethon, June 5-6, 11th annual, KVVU Fox 5 station, 383-2326

Las Vegas Symphonic Band, June 6, 7pm, free, Jaycee Park, 229-6383

Art Exhibit, June 6-27, oils by Charles F. Rodgers and Bob Cow, Las Vegas Art Museum, 647-4300

George Foreman v. Tommy Morrison Prizefight, June 7 title fight for the WBO heavyweight championship, tickets from \$50-\$600, Thomas and Mack Center, 895-3900

Animation Art, June 10-July 23, original hand-

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USSSA Men's "E" Softball Tournament, June 11-12, Pioneer Park Softball Complex, Mesquite, 346-5080

Nevada Symphony Orchestra Picnic Pops II, June 12, Roaring '20s hits, The Hills Park in Summerlin, 895-3801

Horse Show, June 12, 5pm, Horseman's Park, 433-9757

Hooked on Fishing Derby, June 12, contest for casting, hooking, baiting, and largest fish, Lorenzi Park, 229-6402

Kids All-American Fishing Derby, June 12, free, ages 17 and under, Sunset Park Lake, 455-8200

Soap Box Derby, June 12, Desert Shores, 229-6402
Pause for the Pledge Flag Day Celebration, June 12, City Hall Plaza, 229-6402

Entrepreneur Expo, June 12-13, Las Vegas Convention Center, 733-2323

Las Vegas Symphonic Band, June 13, 7pm, free, Freedom Park, 229-6383

1860s Living History at Old Las Vegas Mormon Fort, June 14, Flag Day celebration, program illustrates what life was like for soldiers and civilians during the American Civil War, flag-raising ceremony at 9am, Southern Nevada Civil War Historical Society, 8am-3pm, Old Las Vegas Mormon Fort, 228-2924 or 737-0500
Championship Boxing, June 16, Riviera Hotel, 794-9433

Hershey Track and Field National Youth Program, June 16, regional meet, Eldorado High School, 229-6723

Dog Day Afternoon Canine Frisbee Contest, June 18, Freedom Park, 229-6723

Live! Melodrama in the Park, June 18-20 and June 25-27, 8pm, free, Fri. at various parks, call for schedule, 229-6383

Charcoal Drawings Exhibit, June 18-July 18, large-scale drawings by California artist Julia Couzens, Donna Beam Fine Art Gallery, UNLV 895-3801

Las Vegas Symphonic Band, June 20, 7pm, free, Sammy Davis, Jr. Festival Plaza in Lorenzi Park, 229-6383

USSSA Men's "D" Softball Tournament, June 25-26, Pioneer Park Softball Complex, Mesquite, 346-5080

Las Vegas Symphonic Band, June 27 7pm, free, Angel Park, 229-6383

Great American Race, June 27-July 10, stops on June 27 in Las Vegas and June 28 at 10am-noon in Mesquite, 11th annual, transcontinental race and antique car rally, from Huntington Beach, California, to Norfolk, Virginia, Greatrace-Ltd., 214-788-2323 or Mesquite Area Chamber of Commerce, 346-2902

Office Olympics, June 30, secretarial chair race, rubber-band archery, and wastepaper basket throw, American Lung Assn. of Nevada fundraiser, location TBA, 454-2500

Best of Nevada Camera Club '92 Tour, June 30-Aug. 22, Sunrise Library, 453-1104

July

Greater Las Vegas Coin and Stamp Show, July 1-4, 18th annual, free, Sahara Hotel, 457-2190

Art Exhibit, July 1-31, paintings by Lew Genge of Boulder City, Lost City Museum, Overton, 397-2193

Nevada Symphony Orchestra Picnic Pops III, July 4, with a sing-along of patriotic favorites, The Hills Park in Summerlin, 895-3801

Boulder City Damboree, July 5, 9am parade,

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booths, refreshments, games, band concert, fireworks show at airport, country music, Bicentennial Park and Wilbur Park, Boulder City, 293-2034

Beach Bash, July 7, 14, 21, and 28, games, prizes, food, Harrah's Laughlin Beach, Laughlin, 298-4600

Children's Summer Concert Series, July 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, and 30, at various Las Vegas arts centers, call for schedule, 229-6211

Peppermill Skins Game, July 7-8, open invitational tournament for professionals and amateurs, Skins format, Peppermill Palms Golf Course, Mesquite, 346-5232 ext. 3777 or 800-621-0187

World Junior Frisbee Competition, July 8, Robison Community School, 459-0201

City-Wide Slide Competition Exhibit, July 13-Aug. 15, Nevada Camera Club's public competition and Photographer of the Year, Spring Valley Library, 368-4411

Art-A-Fair '93 Tour, July 13-Aug. 15, West Charleston Library, 878-3682

COMING EVENTS

Nevada Rally, Aug. 21-29, international motorcycle race, Las Vegas, Mesquite, Ely, Elko, and Tonopah, 641-3788

Las Vegas Jaycees State Fair, Oct. 1-10, 457-8832



George Foreman meets Tommy Morrison for the WBO heavyweight title June 7 at the Thomas and Mack Center

Art in the Park, Oct. 2-3, Boulder City, 293-2034
Powwow of the Four Winds, Oct. 15-17 Las Vegas, 486-5205

Bluegrass and Old-Time Country Festival, Oct. 15-17 Logandale, 594-6422 or 564-5455

Las Vegas Invitational Golf Tournament, Oct. 20-24, 382-6616

Henderson Expo, Oct. 22-24, 565-2171

North Las Vegas Fairshow and Hot-Air Balloon Races, Oct. 29-31, 642-1944

SHOWGUIDE

Las Vegas

Aladdin, 736-0240: "Country Tonite," revue, indf.

Arizona Charlie's, 258-5200: "Naughty Ladies," revue, indf. (dark Mon.)

Bally's, 739-4567 or 800-237-SHOW: **Celebrity Room**: Billy Ray Cyrus, April 29-May 3; Louie Anderson, May 6-12; Four Tops, May 13-19; Tom Jones, May 20-June 2; Andrew Dice Clay, May 28-29; **Ziegfeld Theatre**: "Jubilee!" indf. (dark Fri.); **Catch a Rising Star**: comedy/variety club, indf.

Bourbon Street, 737-7200: Lounge entertainment nightly

Caesars Palace, 731-7333 or 800-445-4544: Nana Mouskouri, April 30-May 1; Dionne Warwick/Burt Bacharach, May 14-16; Jay Leno, May 21-23; Howie Mandel, May 27-30; Ann-Margret, June 2-6; Jerry

Seinfeld, June 11-13; George Burns, June 18-20; David Copperfield, June 23-July 6; Reba McEntire, July 8-13; Johnny Mathis, July 15-18; Julio Iglesias, July 21-26

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

Continental, 737-5555: Lounge entertainment
Eldorado, Henderson, 564-1811: Live entertainment Wed.-Sun.

Excalibur, 597-7600: "King Arthur's Tournament," indf.; "The Wonderful World of



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Horses," starring the Royal Lippizaner Stallions, indf., (dark Fri.)
Fitzgeralds, 382-6111: Nightly entertainment
Flamingo Hilton, 733-3333 or 800-732-5111: *Flamingo Showroom*: "City Lites," stage show, indf. (dark Sun.); *Bugsy's Celebrity Theatre*: "American Superstars," indf. (dark Mon.)
Four Queens, 385-4011 or 800-634-6045: Herman's Hermits, April 27-May 2; Kingston Trio, May 4-9; Platters, May 11-23; Doug Kershaw, May 25-June 6; Forester Sisters, June 15-17; Four Aces/Four Lads, June 29-July 11; Platters, July 13-25; Monday Night Jazz, indf.
Gold Coast, 367-7111: Sorta Dixie Jazz Band, indf.
Gold Strike Inn, Boulder City, 293-5000: Entertainment TBA
Hacienda, 739-8911: Lance Burton: World Champion Magician, indf. (dark Mon.); free comedy shows in Bolero Lounge every Mon. night, indf.
Harrah's Las Vegas, 369-5222 or 800-392-9002: "Spellbound, A Concert of Illusion," indf. (dark Sun.)
Imperial Palace, 794-3261: "Legends in Concert," indf. (dark Sun.)
Jackie Gaughan's Plaza, 386-2464 or 800-634-

6575 (U.S. outside Nevada): Gary Stevens/Melody Lane/Sunspots, indf.
Joker's Wild, Henderson, 564-8100: Live entertainment Wed.-Sun., Karaoke Mon.-Tues.
Lady Luck, 477-3000 or 800-523-9582: Melinda, the First Lady of Magic, indf. (dark Mon.); Lady Luck Luau every Mon.
Las Vegas Hilton, 732-5755: Dennis Miller/Rita Rudner, thru May 12; Pointer Sisters, May 14-26
Maxim, 731-4300 or 800-634-6987: "Comedy Cabaret," revue, indf. (dark Sun.)
The Mirage, 792-7777: Cirque du Soleil, indf. (dark Mon.); Siegfried and Roy, magic spectacular, performances three out of four weeks every month, call for dates and times
O'Sheas, 733-3111: Entertainment TBA
Palace Station, 367-2411: Entertainment TBA
Rio Suite Hotel, 252-7776 or 800-888-0400 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): "Brazilia," revue, indf. (dark Mon.)
Riviera, 794-9301 or 794-9433: Jeff Kutash's "Splash," production show, indf.; "An Evening at La Cage," revue, indf. (dark Tues.); "Crazy Girls: Fantasie de Paris," revue, indf. (dark Thurs.); "An Evening at the Improv," come-

dians, indf.
Sahara, 737-2515: "Boylesque," starring Kenny Kerr, indf. (dark Wed.); Rich Little and his Copy Cats, May 3-14 and May 24-indf. (dark Thurs.); "Seduction," comedy, music, and dance revue, indf. (dark Sat.-Sun.); Pacific Rim Hot Lava, (dark Wed.)
Sam's Town, 456-7777: Live entertainment nightly
San Remo, 597-6028: "Hanky Panky Revue," indf. (dark Mon.)
Sands, 733-5453 or 800-446-4678: "Bare Essence," indf. (dark Thurs.); "Viva Las Vegas!" indf. (dark Sat.-Sun.)
Santa Fe, 658-4900: Dummkopfs, Tues. nights
Showboat, 385-9190 or 800-634-3484 (U.S. outside Nevada): Jonathon and Music Magic, May 1-23; Cornell Gunter's Coasters, July 13-Aug. 1
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 (U.S. outside Nevada): Frank Sinatra, May 5-9
Tropicana, 739-2411: "Folies Bergere," indf. (dark Thurs.); "The Comedy Stop," comedians, indf.
Vacation Village, 897-1700 or 800-658-5000:

PREVIEW

Helldorado Rides Into Vegas

The Las Vegas Helldorado Days, held May 21-30 at the Thomas and Mack Center, is a tradition that dates back to 1935. Bull riding is a rodeo tradition, too.

Most rodeo events originated on ranches of the Old West, and roping and bronc riding events were natural extensions of ranch work. Climbing aboard a bull, however, was not.

Some people, in fact, see attempting to ride an agile and powerful 2,000-pound bull as somewhat insane. But those who make their living at it swear by the lifestyle.

"This is it for me. It's all I ever wanted to do," says Tuff Hedeman, 1986 and 1989 world-champion bull rider.

Bull riding is a big part of this year's Helldorado Days. Sponsored annually by the Las Vegas Elks, the 10-day event includes a parade on May 22, Bull Ride '93 on May 25-26, and Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) rodeo on May 27-30. A carnival, food booths, entertainment, and many more events will take place daily during Helldorado.

Bull Ride '93, a bull riding showcase, features some of the top riders on the rodeo circuit, including Tuff



Attending the first Helldorado in 1935 were (left to right): Bert Testolin, Eddie DePew, Pat J. Gallagher, Bud Bodell, Louise Di Fleour, John F. Cahlan, and Bert Chesley.

Hedeman, Ty Murray, Jim Sharp, and Cody Lambert. The bull riders buy into this event, and \$10,000 in prize

money is added for the top rider.

For more information on Las Vegas Helldorado Days, call 702-870-1221.



Fans of TV's Jerry Seinfeld can see the comedian at Caesars Palace June 11-13.

GAMING TOURNAMENTS

May

World Series of Poker, thru May 13, Binion's Horseshoe, 382-1600 ext. 7280
Slots, May 2-5, Hacienda, 739-8911
Slots, May 3-6, Sands, 733-5000
Slots, May 9-11, Peppermill, Mesquite, 346-5232
Slots, May 10-13, Caesars Palace, 731-7485
Slots, May 13-15, Golden Nugget Laughlin, 298-7111 or 800-955-SLOT
Slots, May 13-16, Westward Ho, 731-2900
Slots, May 21-23, Harrah's Laughlin, 298-4600
Blackjack, May 24-27 Stardust, 732-6111

Video Poker, May 25-27 Ramada Express, Laughlin, 298-4200
Slots, May 25-28, Harrah's Las Vegas, 369-5088

June

Slots, June 1-3 and June 29-July 1, Ramada Express, Laughlin, 298-4200
Slots, June 4-8, Riviera, 794-9371 or 800-637-5687
Slots, June 5-8, Sands, 733-5000
Blackjack, June 11-12, Hacienda, 739-8911
Keno, June 11-13, Harrah's Las Vegas, 369-5088
Slots, June 13-15, Imperial Palace, 794-3160
Slots, June 14-17 Sands, 733-5000
Keno, June 15-17, Stardust, 732-6111
Blackjack, June 20-21, Peppermill, Mesquite, 346-5232 ext. 3532 or 800-621-0187

Lounge entertainment nightly
Vegas World, 383-5264: Marty Allen and Steve Rossi, indf. (dark Thurs.); "Memories of Elvis," indf. (Thurs.)
Westward Ho, 731-2900: Paul Delicato/Liz Damon, indf. (dark Sun.)

Laughlin

Colorado Belle, 298-4000: Entertainment TBA
Edgewater, 298-2453: Entertainment TBA
Flamingo Hilton Laughlin, 298-5028 or 800-435-8469: *Outdoor Amphitheater*: Texas Tornados, May 1; Pointer Sisters, May 8; BTO, May 15; Four Tops, May 22; Jack Jones, June 5; *Club Flamingo*: "American Superstars," tribute by celebrity look-alikes, indf. (dark Thurs.)
Gold River, 298-2242 or 800-835-7904: "Bottom's Up," indf. (dark Tues.)
Golden Nugget Laughlin, 298-7111 or 800-950-7700 (U.S. outside Nevada): Entertainment TBA
Harrah's Laughlin, 298-4600 or 800-447-8700: Entertainment TBA
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 (U.S. outside Nevada): Eddie Rabbit, April 29-May 1

Mesquite

Peppermill Resort, 346-5232: Entertainment TBA
Virgin River, 346-7777: Entertainment Tues.-Sun.

State Line/Jean

Gold Strike Hotel, Jean, 477-5000 or 800-634-1359 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): Stolen Faces, thru May 9; Jeff Nichols, May 11-30; Fast Company, June 1-20; Maraj, June 22-July 11; Impulse, July 13-Aug. 1; dark Mon.
Nevada Landing, Jean, 387-5000 or 800-628-6682 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): Something 4 You, May 4-9; Southern Comfort, May 11-30; Maraj, June 1-20; Fast Company, June 22-July 11; Pam Nickles, July 13-Aug. 1
Primadonna, State Line, 382-1212 or 800-826-4471: Nightly entertainment Thurs.-Mon.
Whiskey Pete's, State Line, 382-1212 or 800-367-7383: Live entertainment nightly

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Casino Notes

In February Linda Thomas became an instant millionaire when she hit a jackpot of \$1,881,552 on a Quartermania progressive slot machine at the **Aladdin**. Linda and her husband, Dean, had lost their home and business and moved to Las Vegas in January to find work. When asked how she planned to spend her money, Linda said, "I'm going to pay our bills off and give some money to my mom."

• Florence Sobol of Los Angeles got her 100th birthday wish—to play the slot machines at **Caesars Palace** in Las Vegas. In March Florence and her daughter, Frances, were picked up by limousine at Las Vegas' McCarran International Airport and escorted through the casino's sights and landmarks by a Caesars slot host. Casino executives and staff held a birthday

party for Florence, and she was enrolled as the Emperors Club's first 100-year-old member. The centenarian was treated to a Julio Iglesias performance and a special backstage visit with her favorite singer.

• The **Dunes Hotel**, recently bought by hotel mogul Steve Wynn, was closed January 25 after 38 years. Wynn's representatives say the entire Dunes complex will be leveled and a theme resort will be built in its place. The Dunes golf course remains open as The Mirage Golf Club.

• **Holy Cow! Casino, Cafe, and Brewery** celebrated its grand opening January 20. Plans call for a brewery, the first in Las Vegas, that will serve beer and ales developed by Holy Cow!'s brewmaster.

• In April **Joker's Wild** casino was



Florence Sobol visits with Caesar and Cleopatra during a trip to Caesars Palace to celebrate her 100th birthday.

opened in Henderson by the Boyd family. **Joker's Wild** has gaming, a lounge, live entertainment and a combination buffet and coffee shop.

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Slots, June 24-27, Hacienda, 739-8911 or 800-843-2637
Slots, June 27-30, Golden Nugget, 385-7111

ATTRACTIONS, TOURS & MUSEUMS

Boulder City

Black Canyon Raft Tours: 1297 Nevada Hwy., 293-3776
Boulder City Historic District: Walking tour, 1497 Nevada Hwy., 293-2034
Boulder City/Hoover Dam Museum: 444 Hotel Plaza, 294-1988
Hoover Dam: Tours, U.S. 93, 293-8367
Lake Mead Cruises/Desert Princess: Lake Mead Marina, 293-6180
Lake Mead National Recreation Area: 601 Nevada Hwy., 293-8907

Henderson

Clark County Heritage Museum: 1830 S. Boulder Hwy., 455-7955
Ethel M Chocolate Factory and Cactus Garden: Tours, 2 Cactus Garden Dr., 458-8864
Kidd Marshmallow Factory: Tours, 8203 Gibson Rd., 564-3878

Las Vegas

American Museum of Historical Documents: 3200 Las Vegas Blvd. S., private, 731-0785
Bethany's Celebrity Doll Museum: 3765 Las Vegas Blvd. S., 798-3036
Bonnie Springs Old Nevada: Bonnie Springs Ranch, Red Rock Canyon, 875-4191
Desert Demonstration Gardens: Tours, 3701 W. Alta, 258-3205
Floyd Lamb State Park: Ponds, 9200 Tule Springs Rd., 486-5413
Guinness World of Records Museum: 2780 Las Vegas Blvd. S., 792-0640 or 792-3766 (bus.)
Imperial Palace Auto Collection: 731-3311
Lake Mead Yacht Tours: Cruises to Hoover Dam, Lake Mead Marina, 293-7083
Las Vegas Art Museum: Lorenzi Park, 3333 W. Washington Ave., 647-4300
Las Vegas Natural History Museum: Includes the Wildlife World Art Museum, 900 Las Vegas Blvd. N., 384-DINO
Liberace Museum: 1775 E. Tropicana, 798-5595
Lied Discovery Children's Museum: 833 Las Vegas Blvd. N., 382-KIDS
Marjorie Barrick Museum of Natural History: UNLV 739-3381
Mirage Dolphin Environment: The Mirage Hotel, 791-7111
Mount Charleston Area: Recreation information, 222-1597
Nevada State Museum and Historical Society: Lorenzi Park, 486-5205
Old Las Vegas Mormon Fort: Las Vegas Blvd. N. at Washington (entrance from Cashman Field parking lot B only), 486-3511
Red Rock Canyon Recreation Area: 363-1921
Scandia Family Fun Center: 2900 Sirius Ave., 364-0071
Southern Nevada Zoological Park: 1775 N.

Rancho Dr., 648-5955
Spring Mountain Ranch State Park: Red Rock Canyon, 875-4141
Wet 'n Wild: Seasonal, 2601 Las Vegas Blvd. S., 734-0088

Laughlin

Lake Mohave: Marina at Katherine, 602-754-3245

Mesquite

Desert Valley Museum: 346-5705
Peppermill Gun Club: 346-5232 ext. 3729

North Las Vegas

The Planetarium: Community College of Southern Nevada, 644-5059

Vegas Chips Factory: Tours, 2945 N. Martin Luther King Blvd., 647-3800

Overton

Lost City Museum: 397-2193
Valley of Fire State Park: 12 miles south, 397-2088

Searchlight

Searchlight Historic Museum: Community Center, 455-7955

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Reno-Tahoe Territory

EVENTS

May

A Show of Hands: Sculpture in Fiber by the Great Basin Basketmakers, thru May 1, traveling mixed media exhibitions of baskets in conjunction with the Year of American Craft, Nevada Historical Society, 688-1190

Annual Art Auction Preview, thru May 6, Nevada Museum of Art, 329-3333

Art Exhibit, thru May 14 (Mon.-Fri.), works by Trena Noval, Sierra Arts Center, 329-1324

Richard Guy Walton Retrospective, thru May 16, art show, Nevada Museum of Art, 329-3333

Nevada: Past and Present, thru May 18, art show, Nevada Artist Assn., Town Center Gallery, 335-2826

Concerts in the Atrium, thru May 28, every Fri., classical music concerts, noon-1pm, free, Airport Gardens Office Complex, 329-1324

Art Show, thru May 30, paintings by Roger Shimomura, Nevada Museum of Art, 329-3333

Trappings of the Great Basin Buckaroos, thru June 28, photographs by C.J. Hadley of cowboy craft and gear made by Great Basin craftspeople, Nevada Historical Society, 688-1190

Dinosaurs of the Deep, thru Aug. 8, Dinamation exhibit with lifelike moving sea monsters, Wilbur D. May Museum, Rancho San Rafael Park, 785-6133

Views of Nevada's Rails, thru Sept. 10, historic photographs and artifacts of Nevada's railroads from Winnemucca to Wadsworth, Nevada Historical Society, 688-1190

RSVP Spring Fun Fair, April 28-May 2, ninth annual, carnival, arts and crafts, Mills Park, Carson City, 687-4680

Cinco de Mayo Celebration, April 30-May 2, street fiesta with children's carnival, arts and crafts, Mexican food, Dr. Loco and the Red Hot Rockin' Jalapeño Band, All-Clowns Birthday Party, Jazz Ambassadors of the U.S. Army field band, Hispanic 500 Golf Tournament, All-Spanish Breed Horse Show

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

UNR Baseball: April 30-May 2 v. UNLV May 14-16 v. UC Santa Barbara, Peccole Field, UNR, 348-PACK

UNR Music Department: concerts, recitals, 784-6145

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

PREVIEW



Indy drivers like Rick Sutherland (above) are expected at the Reno Grand Prix.

Fast Times in Reno

The weekend after the Indianapolis 500, Reno will keep the engines revving for its first annual AGC/Hilton Reno IndyCar Grand Prix on June 3-6.

The event promises to be a high-octane show of automotive muscle and speed. Between 20 and 25 drivers are expected to compete on the 1.3-mile course laid out in the Reno Hilton parking lot, complete with hairpin turns and straightaways designed for sprints of up to 150 mph.

The Grand Prix race is sanctioned by the American IndyCar Series and is part of the 10-race, \$750,000 season. The event is a cooperative effort between the Reno Hilton and Associated General Contractors.

Expected entrants include Dean

Hall of Squaw Valley, Rick Sutherland of Los Gatos, and Robby and Johnny Unser, the two youngest drivers of racing's famous family.

Organizers predict 20,000 motorsports fans will attend the finals. Grandstands will be set up along the straightaways and at strategic corners.

"It will take a lot of work, but this could become a worldwide known event," says Bill Tempero, AIS president, veteran IndyCar driver, and one of the Reno Grand Prix's organizers.

Time trials are scheduled for Thursday, with practice runs Friday and Saturday, and the final 150-mile race on Sunday. Plans also call for a concert on Saturday.—Victor Williams

at Reno Livestock Events Center, Luis Enrique concert at Reno Hilton, most events at Victorian Square in Sparks, 353-2291 or 353-2284

Cinco de Mayo Chili Cook-Off, May 1, parade, chili tasting, live music, in front of Wagon Wheel restaurant, Virginia City, 847-0500

Fifth Annual Great Bookworm Classic, May 1, 5K and 10K runs, two-mile walk, and children's fun run, sponsored by Friends of the Carson City Library, Carson Station, Carson City, 588-2864 or 887-2244

Basque Singing Festival, May 1, CVIC Hall, Minden, 782-2898

Roberts House Antique Sale and Fair, May 1, arts, Victorian oils, antiques, and crafts, 8am-4pm, Roberts House Museum, Carson City, 882-4133

Reno Chamber Orchestra Derby Day, May 1, mint juleps, old-fashioned Kentucky buffet with authentic Southern food, derby on big-screen TV, silent auction, Lilly's restaurant at Lakeridge Tennis Club, 348-9413

Shakespeare Performance Festival, May 1 and 8, sixth annual, middle- and high-school students perform scenes from Shakespeare's works, free, Redfield Theater, UNR, 851-5640 ext. 252

Silver State Raceway Championship Point Racing, May 1, 8, 15, and 22, stock cars, 7:30pm, Silver State Raceway, Carson City, 885-2079

"Sunday in the Park With George," May 1-2, dinner/cabaret theater, \$8.50 play, \$28 dinner/play, Redfield Theater, UNR, 784-5847

American Country Art Exhibit, May 1-30, reception May 9 from 1-4pm, Artists Co-Op Gallery, 322-8896 or 857-4727

Art Show, May 1-June 14, pastels, watercolors, and oils by Lee Netzel, pencil drawings by Rebecca Kunow, Genoa Courthouse Museum, 265-7185

Rich Gosse Lecture, May 6, author of *Singles Guide to America* presents lecture on looking for love in all the right places, 7-10pm, Western Nevada Community College, Carson City, 887-3153

Carson Valley Inn Spring Fishing Derby, May 6-8, third annual derby at Lake Tahoe, sponsored by Carson Valley Inn in Minden, 782-9711

"Kiss Me Kate," May 7-9, Western Nevada Community College's adult theatre troupe, Carson City Community Center, 887-3114

Reno Airline Collectibles Show, May 8, 9am-5pm, \$4 general admission, children 12 and under free, \$1 off if wearing an airline uniform, Reno Airport Plaza Hotel, across from Reno Cannon International Airport, also see the Air France Concorde (scheduled to fly into Reno May 7 and leave for Paris May 8), 209-275-8353

Celebrate Cycling, May 8, meet at 9am, open to cyclists of all levels, Wingfield Park Amphitheater, 334-2077



The Asian-Pacific Festival of Fortune comes to Sparks on May 22-23.

Barn Dances, May 8, June 5, and July 3, families welcome, 8pm, Bull Creek Ranch, Verdi, 345-7600

WSRA Virginia City Motorcycle Grand Prix, May 8-9, 23rd annual motorcross, 851-3572 or 688-1115

Marley's Ghost, May 9, musical group, Brewery Arts Center, Carson City, 883-1976

Los Folkloristas, May 10, traditional Latin music, Carson City Community Center, 883-1976

Heaven and Earth, May 11, concert by the Reno Philharmonic, the Nevada Opera women's chorus, children's chorus, and handbell choir,

8pm, Pioneer Center, 825-5905

Sierra Silver Rails Convention and Trade Show, May 12-15, open to public, Reno Hilton, 673-6860 or 747-7444

Gourmet Garlic Gathering, May 13, garlic dishes prepared by Reno chefs, silent auction, \$20, Easter Seals' fundraiser for local charities, Peppermill, 827-8829, 829-9833, or 852-7673

Comstock Historic Preservation Weekend, May 13-16, historic architecture and homes tours, music festival, mine and mill tours, art and puppet shows, cemetery tours, preservation workshops and seminars, Silver Tea, Virginia City, 847-0311 or 847-0975

Comstock Arabian Horse Show, May 13-16, Reno Livestock Events Center, 688-5751

Nevada Museum of Art's Auction/Gala, May 14, theme is "A Night in the Valley of the Kings," cocktails, gourmet dinner, art sale, tickets \$125, fundraiser for Nevada Museum of Art, held at Harrah's Reno, 329-3333

Sierra Nevada Chorale Concert, May 14, 8pm, Pioneer Center, 828-4204

Nevada Music and Performance Festival, May 14-15, part of Historic Preservation Weekend, various locations throughout Virginia City, 847-0111

"The Last Meeting of the Knights of the White Magnolia," May 14-15, May 21-23, May 28-29, and June 4-5, Reno Little Theater, 329-0661

Silver State Square and Round Dance Festival, May 14-16, 46th annual, square, round, clogging, and country-western dancing, Reno Sparks Convention Center, 322-0027

"Lil Abner," May 14-16, Cal-Neva Lodge, Crystal Bay, 832-4000

Asian-Pacific Art Fest, May 14-June 19, celebrating the Asian-Pacific Festival held in Sparks May 22-23, highlight is poetry reading on May 14 from 3-7pm, Desert Moon Teahouse and Gallery, 329-4911

Premises, Premises, May 15, improvisational musical and comedy group, 8pm, South Lake Tahoe High School, 916-541-0234

Reno Chamber Orchestra Concert, May 15, featuring violinist Roy Malan, final concert of the season, Nightingale Hall, UNR, 348-9413

Autocross, May 16, competition at the Reno

Livestock Events Center, 688-5751

Music Festival, May 16, noon-8pm, live rock, blues, and folk music, barbecue, raffle, benefit for Silver City Park, Silver City, 847-7057

Heart Golf Classic, May 17, seventh annual, four-person teams with two-person scramble, \$175 registration due May 12, American Heart Assn. benefit, 322-7064 or 800-AHA-USA1

Art Show, May 18-June 29, paintings by the Fallon Four: Pat Boden, Sally Groth, Pat Stephenson, and Wanda McNair, Town Center Gallery, 333-2826

"Duck" Baker and Mollie Andrews in Concert, May 19, folk singers, Brewery Arts Center, Carson City, 883-1976

Northern Nevada Choral Festival, May 19-21, Nightingale Hall, UNR, 784-6145

Third Biennial Conference on Nevada History, May 20-21, Nevada Historical Society, 688-1190

Days of Nevada Crafts: Sierra Arts Celebrates Year of the American Craft, May 20-22, featuring local craftspeople and artisans, open house, craft works will be for sale, demonstrations, Sierra Arts Center, 329-1324

Art Show, May 20-Aug. 13, drawings by Jan Demorest, Red Mountain Art Gallery, Truckee

TERRITORY MAP



PREVIEW

Reno Saddles Up

Reno goes Western in June with a 10-day celebration. The Reno Rodeo on June 19-27 hosts the country's best cowboys and cowgirls, and Country Junction on June 18-20 offers a host of Old West festivities.

As they were 74 years ago when the Reno Rodeo opened its first chute, events like steer wrestling, bull riding, and calf roping are still mainstays of rodeo competition.

"The sport of rodeo goes way back to when the West really was wild. The event has maintained its tradition and integrity, but we're also leading the way in innovation in the '90s," said Reno Rodeo president Jon Key. Instant-replay boards, specialty acts, and a faster show pace are a few of those innovations.

To get into the spirit, the Reno Rodeo Cattle Drive will roll into Reno on June 18. Dudes and buckaroos drive the rodeo roping stock in a five-day adventure, which is open to riders of all skill levels and experience.

Chili lovers get their day on June 19 at the Reno Rodeo Chili Cook-Off downtown. Music and Western dancers round out the entertainment.

Adding to the Western atmosphere will be Country Junction, a Western



Team ropers throw a calf with a loop at the Reno Rodeo.

entertainment festival. Reno visitors can see Tanya Tucker on June 18 and another top country name (to be announced) on June 20. Expected to appear in Reno in June are Juice Newton, Lacy J. Dalton, and Ricky and the Red Streaks.

On the same weekend, the National

Horseshoe Pitchers Association will hold its regional tournament on Virginia Street June 19-20.

Call 800-FOR-RENO for more Country Junction information. Reno Rodeo performances are \$8 to \$10. For ticket information, call a BASS ticket outlet or 800-TIC-RODEO.

Meadows Community College, 673-7102

Snowshoe Thompson Day, May 22, open house and tour, roller-blade races, food, trading post, Genoa Courthouse Museum, 782-2518

Kit Carson Trail Walk and Historic Homes Tour, May 22, guided walking tour of Carson City's historic section and several Victorian-era homes, 687-7410

Chocolate Lovers' Fantasy Faire, May 22, Heavenly, South Lake Tahoe, 586-7000

Super Outlaw Karts, May 22, fairgrounds, Carson City, 267-2801

Asian-Pacific Festival of Fortune, May 22-23, amateur and professional dance groups, booths with top restaurants presenting Asian-Pacific cuisines, authentic works of Asian artisans, Polynesian luau, Dance of the Dragons on Victorian Avenue in Sparks, free concert featuring the musical group America, children's activities, noon-10pm Sat., noon-6pm Sun., Victorian Square and John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 353-2291 or 800-843-2427

American Mustang and Burro National Show, May 22-23, Reno Livestock Events Center, 323-3073

Volksmarches, May 22-23, 10K and 11K walks, start at Mills Park, Carson City, 831-0434

Classic CARE Challenge Softball Tournament, May 22-23, open to public, CARE Chest benefit, Shadow Mountain Complex, Sparks, 829-CARE

Heavenly's Run for the Rim, May 23, second annual, 5K and 10K foot races, benefit for the Tahoe Rim Trail project, 586-4453 or 586-7000

Art Exhibit, May 24-June 30 (Mon.-Fri.), multimedia works by Kathleen Nojima, held in conjunction with Asian-Pacific Festival (May 22-23), Sierra Arts Center, 329-1324

Suffolk Sheep Show, May 27-29, Reno Livestock Events Center, 688-5751

Native American Arts and Crafts Fair, May 28-31, Cal-Neva Lodge, Crystal Bay, 832-4000

Reno Corvette V&T 18, May 28-31, 18th annual Memorial Day meet, show and shine, poker run, and autocross, celebration of 40th anniversary of the Corvette, Holiday Inn on 6th St., 786-7877

Showcase of the West Horse Show, May 28-31, Reno Livestock Events Center, 688-5751

Edward Borein: Artist of the West, May 28-June

18, Nevada Museum of Art, 329-3333

Walker Collection of California Impressionist Paintings, May 28-Aug. 8, Nevada Museum of Art, 329-3333

Gold Dust West Chili Cook-Off, May 29, auction, Cheryl Cotten concert, Gold Dust West Casino, 323-2211

Contra Dance, May 29, line, circle, and square dance to live music and caller, Brewery Arts Center, Carson City, 883-1976

Tri-Holiday Sweepstakes Car Racing, May 29, stock cars, 7:30pm, Silver State Raceway, Carson City, 885-2079

Memorial Martial Arts State Nationals, May 29, Lawlor Events Center, 784-4659

Escarabajo Buggy Club's 17th Annual Off-Road Rally and Play Day, May 29-30, Virginia City area, 209-838-1744

Arts and Crafts Fairs, May 29-30, June 5-6 and 18-20, July 2-4, 8-10, 16-18, and July 30-Aug. 1, 10am-5pm, Kings Beach, 916-546-2768

AKC Retriever Field Trials, May 29-31, Jacks Valley, 677-2552

ATA Trap Shoot, May 29-31, Little Mondeaux Gun Club, Jacks Valley, 782-4325 or 782-5512

Steam-Up, May 29-31 and July 3-5, steam-up and operation of historic steam locomotive on one-mile loop of track, 10am-4pm, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City, 687-6953
Clarion Chili Cook-Off, May 30, live music, contests, Clarion Hotel, 359-5676

June

Garden Ceramics Exhibit, June 1-28, reception June 6 from 1-4pm, Artists Co-Op Gallery, 322-8896 or 322-3083

Art Show, June 1-30, regional artists, Fourth Ward School, Virginia City, 847-0111

Nevada State Button Society Show, June 2, open to the public, free, 2-4pm, Comstock Hotel, 323-4675

Native American Arts and Crafts Fair, June 2-5, Cal-Neva Lodge, Crystal Bay, 832-4000

Radio-Controlled Grand National Air Race, June 2-6, Reno Unlimited Model Air Racing Assn. hosts a miniature reenactment of the Reno National Championship Air Races (Sept. 16-19), Stead Airfield, 677-0869

Books-for-the-Beach Book Signing, June 3, book signing by Nevada authors at the Carson City Library, refreshments, 887-2244

AGC/Reno Hilton IndyCar Grand Prix, June 3-6, 115 laps on a 1.3-mile track in the Reno Hilton parking lot, all cars have raced at the Indy 500 Memorial Day classic, also vintage and Formula V races Sat.-Sun., sponsored by Associated General Contractors and hosted by Reno Hilton, 789-2000

Reno West Coast Wine Tasting, June 4, 11th annual, Reno-Sparks Convention Center, 827-7636 or 800-FOR-RENO

Sparks Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament, June 4, four-person scramble, Rosewood Lakes Golf Course, 358-1976

Downtown A-Fair, June 5, street fair with chili cook-off, crafts, antique car display, pizza contest, bikini contest, Hunkathon, High Strung Band, children's games, singers, dancers, and musicians, 10am-6pm, free, Legislative Mall and Spear St., downtown Carson City, 885-0411

Volksmarch in Virginia City, June 5, 10K walk, start between 8am and 1pm, finish by 4:30pm, organized by the Fernley-Wadsworth Lins, Lopers, and Lollygaggers Volksmarch group, Virginia City, 575-2496 or 575-5262

National Trails Day, June 5, activities include Steamboat Trail clean-up and barbecue and Trails Appreciation Day on the Pacific Crest Trail, 252-5082

Barn Dance, June 5, families are welcome, 8pm, Bull Creek Ranch, Verdi, 345-7600

Carson Valley 5K and 10K, June 5, fifth annual, starts behind the Carson Valley Inn, Minden, 782-9711 ext. 625

Sporting Clays Registered Shoot, June 5, Red Hills Hunting Preserve, Topaz Lake, 266-3856

Firemen's Muster, June 5-6, parade, breakfast, competitions with antique firefighting equipment, steam fire engines, hand-pumped fire engines, hose carts, motorized fire apparatus built between 1810-1960, barbecue, and dance, hosted by Warren Engine Co. No. 1, Mills Park, Carson City, 883-4855

Virginia City Founders Day Celebration, June 5-6, on Fri. train ride from Gold Hill to Virginia City with dignitaries, reception at Mackay Mansion, swearing in of elected town "characters," on Sat. parade down C St., kangaroo court, weenie and marshmallow roast over bonfire with live music and ghost stories, on Sun. old-time pancake breakfast, 1880s-style

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An eclectic mix of mountain men, gunfighters, and Native Americans gather for the Kit Carson Rendezvous on June 11-13 at Mills Park in Carson City.

Comstock church services, children's art and essay judging, 847-0311

Celebrate the River, June 5-6, food booths, entertainment, arts and crafts, on Sun. at 5pm performance by Rain: A Tribute to the Beatles, Raymond I. Smith Truckee River Walk and Wingfield Park, 334-2077

Valhalla Renaissance Festival, June 5-6, theatrical performances, jousts, dancing, archery contest, parades, and pageants, Richardson Resort, South Lake Tahoe, 916-541-4975

Valhalla Festival of Arts and Music 1993, June 5-Sept. 10, art shows, photo exhibits, jazz concerts every Thurs., art workshops, fiber arts and folk crafts, most events held at Tallac Historic Site, three miles north of South Lake Tahoe, 916-541-4975

America's Most Beautiful Bike Ride, June 6, around Lake Tahoe, 588-9658

Classic CARE Challenge Softball Tournament, June 6-7 benefit, Shadow Mountain Park, Sparks, 829-CARE

Kit Carson Rendezvous Wagon Train (tentative), June 9, Carson City, 885-7491

World Championship of Race Horse Race Handicapping, June 9-12, \$50,000 in prize money, Club Cal-Neva, 323-1046

Virginia City Archaeology Tours, June 9-July 9, UNR's Archaeological Field School will be examining sites in the Virginia City Historic Landmark District, free site tours on weekdays, Virginia City, 687-5138 or 847-0281

Kit Carson Rendezvous, June 11-13, mountain men, Indian village, Civil War Volunteers, gunfighters, dancing, live Western music, food and craft booths, free admission, Mills Park, Carson City, 885-7491 or 687-7410

Carson Valley Days, June 11-13, parade on Sat., arts and crafts, food, volunteer fire department competition, rodeo, dance, softball tournament, Lampe Park and fairgrounds, Minden/Gardnerville, 782-5752, 265-4796, or 782-9828

Best on the Mountain Rib Cook-Off, June 11-13,

second annual, Lake Tahoe Horizon, Stateline, 588-6211

Cowboys of the World, June 11-July 25, Western art of five continents, Nevada Museum of Art, 329-3333

Concert Under the Arch, June 12, Reno Philharmonic Orchestra performs outdoors on Virginia St. under the Reno Arch, 825-5905

Verdi Chili Cook-Off, June 12, booths and games for children, Gold Ranch Casino, Verdi, 882-6878

TNT Mountain Bike, June 12, 18-mile Tahoe to Truckee mountain-bike race, health fair and bike swap planned, Tahoe City, 916-583-8900

Beer Festival, June 12, micro breweries from the West Coast represented, beer tasting, amateur judging, Northstar, 916-587-0280

Second National Wild Horse and Burro Show and BLM Horse Adoption, June 12-13, Reno Livestock Events Center, show info 687-5589, adoption info 673-1150

Pops Party Concert, June 13, outdoor concert, Carson City Chamber Orchestra and Carson Chamber Singers, free, 2:30pm, Governor's Mansion, Carson City, 883-4154

"Beauty and the Beast" Ballet, June 13, Cal-Neva Lodge, Crystal Bay, 832-4000

Reno Rodeo Tony Lama Cattle Drive, June 14-18, participants help move 300 head of cattle through Western Nevada and deliver them to the Reno Rodeo (June 19-27), gourmet chuck-wagon food, campfire entertainment, no horse experience necessary, 329-3877 or 800-TIC-RODEO

Carson Valley Art Show, June 16-July 19, works by Carson Valley artists, Genoa Courthouse Museum, 265-7185

Miss Nevada Pageant, June 17, Ziegfeld Theatre, Reno Hilton, 789-2016

Bid for Bachelors, June 17, March of Dimes fundraiser, Peppermill, 323-4107

Farwest Regional Wheelchair Tennis Championship, June 17-20, Lakeridge, Washoe, and Plumas tennis courts, 916-587-2108

Country Junction, June 18-20, chili and hot wings competition, horseshoe competition, Western dancers, Tanya Tucker concert Fri. night, held in conjunction with Reno Rodeo (June 19-27), downtown Reno and Reno Livestock Events Center, 800-FOR-RENO

Wild, Wild West Regionals II, June 18-20, hang gliding competition to qualify for U.S. nationals, Adventure Sports, 3650 Research Way, Carson City, 883-7070

Wa-She-Shu Way, June 19, public can learn how to build Washoe summer and winter shelters from Washoe elders, Tallac Historic Site, South Lake Tahoe, 916-541-5227

Pony Express Re-Ride, June 19, reenactment of historic ride from St. Joseph, MO, to Sacramento arrives in Carson City on June 19, call for exact time and location, 882-1283 or 687-7410

Centennial of Ferris Wheel, June 19, a dedication at Minden Park honoring the 100th anniversary of the Ferris wheel, invented by George Ferris, a resident of Carson Valley in the mid-1880s, Minden, 782-9711

Doug Kershaw Concert, June 19, free, Wingfield Park Amphitheater, 334-2077

12th Annual Stewart Indian Museum Arts and Crafts Fair and Powwow, June 19-20, food, dancing, free, Carson City, 882-1808

Tour-de-Truckee, June 19-22, gourmet bed and breakfast bicycle tour around Truckee and North Lake Tahoe, 916-583-8900

Reno Rodeo, June 19-27 74th year, PRCA rodeo performances, midway, Western Merchandise Mart, Reno Livestock Events Center, 329-3877 or 800-TIC-RODEO

Bob Feist Invitational Team Roping Classic, June 21, 8am, held in conjunction with Reno Rodeo, Reno Livestock Events Center, 209-333-2924, 329-3877 or 800-TIC-RODEO

Eldorado Pro-Am Golf Tournament, June 21-23, host hotel is Eldorado, 786-5700

Miss Rodeo Nevada and Miss Rodeo Teen, June 21-24, Airport Plaza Hotel and Reno Livestock Events Center, 673-9009 or 673-5427

Oliver Gagliani Zone System Workshop, June 21-July 2, negative and printmaking techniques, Virginia City, 415-472-4010

Farwest Choice Tennis Championship, June 22-27 Lakeridge, Washoe, and Plumas tennis courts, 916-587-2108

Virginia City Motorcycle Marathon Charity Race, June 25, from Tonopah to Virginia City, banquet, auction, Virginia City, 847-0263

Run What You Brung, June 25-27, show and shine, hot rods, custom cars, rock 'n' roll, barbecue, Fuji Park, Carson City, 883-3109 or 883-0927

Virginia City 200 Off-Road Race, June 26, parade, desert race, 916-925-1702

Truckee Tahoe Air Show, June 26-27 24th annual, hot-air balloon rally, static airplane display including warbirds, antiques, and current military craft, \$10, children 12 and under free, Truckee Tahoe Airport, one mile south of Truckee, 916-587-4119

ATA Trap Shoot, June 26-27 Little Mondeaux Gun Club, Jacks Valley, 782-5512

Virginia City Hill Climb, June 26-27 Ferrari Owners Club, 619-462-1254

Comstock Silver Century Bicycle Tour, June 27, rides of 25, 65, and 100 miles, starts in Carson City, call for location, 882-1565

Lake Tahoe Amphibathon, June 27 Baldwin Beach, South Lake Tahoe, 916-573-0103

Fiona's/China Spring Sandbaggers Golf Tournament, June 30, 2pm, Carson Valley Golf Course, Gardnerville, 782-9961

Tribute to the Seniors, June 30, live music from the 1940s and 1950s, Festival of the Arts Series, Victorian Amphitheater, Sparks, 353-2291

July

"Pirates of Penzance," July 1-3, 6-10, 13-17 20-24, and 27-31, outdoor theatre performance by Tahoe Mountain Musicals, bring picnic dinner, North Tahoe Regional Park, Tahoe Vista, 916-581-4323 or 800-876-4TIX

Crafts, Collectibles, and Antiques Show and Sale, July 1-4, Carson Valley Inn, Minden, 916-273-3725 or 782-9711

Sierra Grand Trapshooting Tournament, July 1-4, Little Mondeaux Gun Club, Jacks Valley, 782-5512

Indian Powwow, July 2-4, Native American arts and crafts, Indian tacos, Bull Creek Ranch, Verdi, 345-7600

Art Exhibit, July 2-31, paintings and sketches of France by Velda Morby, Artists Co-Op Gallery, 322-8896

Sporting Clays Registered Shoot, July 3, Red Hills Hunting Preserve at Topaz Lake, 266-3856

Barn Dance, July 3, families welcome, 8pm, Bull Creek Ranch, Verdi, 345-7600

Steam-Up, July 3-5, steam-up and operation of historic steam locomotive on one-mile loop of track, 10am-4pm, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City, 687-6953

Virginia City Fourth of July, July 4, parade, bar-



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Reno Philharmonic Concert in the Park, July 4, classical music, bring picnic lunch or buy from vendors, Mormon Station State Historic Park, Genoa, 782-2590
Skyfire, July 4, fireworks display and entertainment, free, Rancho San Rafael Park, 800-FOR-RENO
Carson City Fourth of July, July 4, parade down Carson St., fireworks in Mills Park, Carson City, 882-1565
South Lake Tahoe's Star Spangled Fourth of July, July 4, 916-544-5050
Nugget Jazz Festival, July 4-7 John Ascuaga's Nugget and Victorian Square, Sparks, 356-3300

Region II Arabian Horse Show, July 4-10, Reno Livestock Events Center, 688-5751
Art Show, July 5-Aug. 11 (Mon.-Fri.), paintings by Margaret Dobin, Sierra Arts Center, 329-1324
Isuzu Celebrity Golf Championship, July 7-11, Edgewood Tahoe Golf Course, 916-544-5050
All-American Fight Fest, July 8, live boxing, music, and food, Eldorado parking lot, 786-5700
"Annie," July 9-10 and July 16-18, Western Nevada Community College's musical theater, Carson City Community Center, 887-3153
Sports Cars and All That Jazz, July 9-11, sports car show, cars are grouped by country with themed music and food, jazz music, downtown Reno, 786-3030 or 800-FOR-RENO

Annual Brooklyn Bums Softball Tournament, July 9-11, Lampe Park, Gardnerville, 782-9828
Carson Valley Heritage Day Chili Cook-Off and Arts and Crafts Fair, July 10, Minden Park, 782-2211
Sparks Chili Cook-Off, July 10, games, contests, Factory Outlet Mall, Sparks, 359-5676
Tour of the California Alps—The Death Ride, July 10, bike ride, Markleeville, 588-9658
A Common Thread, July 10-Sept. 27 Nevada crafts, Nevada Historical Society, 688-1190
Arts on the Green, July 11, Village Green Park, Caughlin Ranch, Reno, 746-1010
Celebrity Waiters Dinner, July 11, Reno celebrities wait on tables to benefit CARE Chest, Pyrenees Restaurant, 829-CARE

NIGHTLIFE

A Texas Tornado

BY GUY RICHARDSON

At 55 Freddy Fender's face has the same gentle look as did Albert Einstein's in his middle years—going-to-white hair, a peaceful look, and brown eyes. Especially around the eyes does Fender resemble Einstein, whose warm eyes were reputed to cut a swath among the ladies.

Also like Einstein, Fender's mild looks disguise a rebellious youth. Fender dropped out of high school at 16 to join the Marines. He wanted to see the world. Mostly he saw the inside of the brig.

"I just couldn't adjust to such a disciplined life," he said. "I always liked to play the guitar in the barracks and to drink—so much so that sometimes I forgot where or who I was."

In the mid-1950s he got out of the Marines and returned to his home town of San Benito, Texas, playing music in beer joints and at dances. He also changed his name. He'd grown up as Baldemar Huerta, but he decided the gringo crowd would prefer Freddy Fender. "Fender" came from the brand of guitar. Freddy came out of the air as a name he thought would work.

In 1959 he recorded "Wasted Days and Wasted Nights." There's a story behind why you didn't hear Fender's monster hit until 1975. On a local label, "Wasted Days" sold 100,000 records in 1959 and '60—a humongous amount for a non-major release. Then in May 1960, on Friday the 13th, Fender was arrested and charged with

possession of one marijuana cigarette.

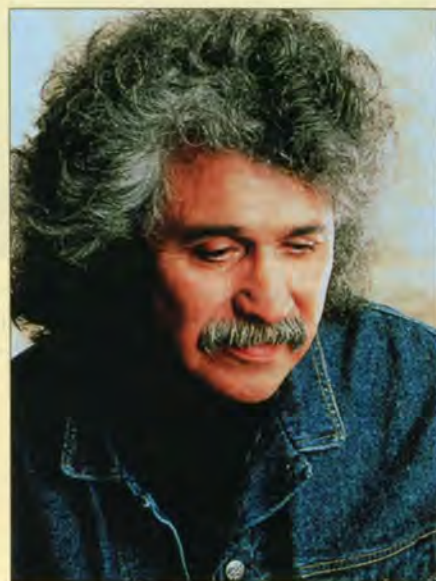
He was sentenced to three years in Louisiana's Angola state prison. Yes, three years. Those were not enlightened times. Fender and his bass player, who'd been busted with him, walked into Angola with their instruments.

"The time in prison was hard, but music made it better," he said. He played every weekend for prisoners. "I even recorded an album of Chicano songs on a portable tape recorder at prison."

In July of 1963 he got out and started playing music in New Orleans. Six years later he was back in Texas, wondering if he was too old for bars and dances. "I went to work as a mechanic and played music on weekends, getting \$1.60 an hour and \$28 a night so that I didn't starve to death."

He got his GED, the equivalent of high school diploma, and went to college for a couple of years. If his fate had not been different, he could have wound up as the kind-faced guy named Baldemar who wipes windshields at a truck stop in Corpus Christi and tells interesting stories about his past.

However, in 1974 Fender found out about a record producer named Huey Muax, a Houston man who'd produced B.J. Thomas. Muax listened to Fender, and heard what we hear today—a man who can deliver a heart-breaking lyric with such an affirmative joy of life that you want to clap and jump in the air.



Freddy Fender comes to Reno May 4-16.

Muax recorded "Before the Next Teardrop Falls" for his Crazy Cajun label. Fender followed with a remake of "Wasted Days and Wasted Nights." And after 20 years, he became the CMA's Most Promising New Artist. An overnight success.

In 1989—remember, this is more than 40 years after his career began—Fender and friends Doug Sahm, Augie Meyers, and Flaco Jimenez got together for a bar gig in San Francisco. They called the group "The Texas Tornados," and crowds lined up around the block.

Two years ago the Tornados and Fender got a Grammy. I can't wait to see his next half-century.

Freddy Fender plays Sammy's Showroom at Harrah's Reno May 4-16.

Guy Richardson is a reporter and entertainment writer for the Reno Gazette-Journal and a regular contributor to Nevada Magazine.

Music at Sand Harbor, July 13-18, 12th annual "Tunes in the Dunes," rock 'n' roll, country, jazz, blues, and folk, bring picnic dinner, and low-back chair, Sand Harbor State Park, south of Incline Village on Hwy. 28, 916-583-9048
RSVP July Jubilee, July 14-18, carnival, sales, drawings, Round Hill Shopping Center, South Lake Tahoe, 687-4680

COMING EVENTS

Capital City Fair, July 23-25, Carson City, 687-7410
Great Basin Chautauqua, July 26-29, Reno, 784-6587 or 800-382-5023
Hot August Nights, Aug. 5-8, Reno and Sparks, 829-1955
Carson Valley Fine Arts and Crafts Street Celebration, Aug. 21-22, Minden/Gardnerville, 782-8144
Reno Basque Festival, Aug. 21-22, 356-2125
Nevada State Fair, Aug. 25-29, Reno, 322-4424
Numaga Indian Days Celebration, Sept. 3-5, Reno, 329-2936
Best in the West Nugget Rib Cook-Off, Sept. 3-6, Sparks, 353-2284 or 800-843-2427 ext. 3367
Great Reno Balloon Race, Sept. 10-12, 826-1181
Virginia City Camel Races, Sept. 10-12, 847-0311 or 847-RACE
Daow Aga Powwow, Sept. 10-12, Cal-Neva Lodge, Crystal Bay, 832-4000
Reno National Championship Air Races, Sept. 16-19, 972-6663
Genoa Candy Dance, Sept. 25-26, 782-8696

SHOWGUIDE

Reno/Sparks

Circus Circus, 329-0711 or 800-648-5010: Free circus acts, 11am-midnight
Clarion, 825-4700 or 800-723-6500: Entertainment TBA
Eldorado, 786-5700, 800-648-5966 (U.S. outside Nevada), or 800-648-3024 (Canada): Honolulu/Doug Kershaw, April 27-May 9; Rob Hanna's Salute to Rod Stewart/Herman's Hermits, May 10-30; Danny Marona, June 1-20; Kristine and the Sting, June 22-July 11; Allen and Rossi, July 6-25;
Fitzgeralds, 785-3300 or 800-648-5022 (U.S. outside Nevada): Perfect Circle/Network, May 1-9; Whiskey Ridge, May 10-16 and June 14-27; The Act, May 10-23; Romain, May 17-30; David Proud, May 24-30; Inside Out, May 31-June 6; Tommy Bell, May 31-June 13; Vamp, June 7-13; Slick Gypsy, June 14-27
Flamingo Hilton Reno, 785-7080 or 800-950-2946: *Flamingo Showroom*: "American Superstars," indf. (dark Tues.)
Harolds Club, 329-0881 or 800-648-5022 (U.S. outside Nevada): Craig Harrison, May 1-9; Steve Lord, May 1-16; Silk, May 17-30; Kathy Lee, May 17-June 13; Carmon and Duchane, May 31-June 13; Marty Davis, June 14-27; David Proud, July 12-18
Harrah's Reno, 788-3773 or 800-648-3773: *Sammy's Showroom*: Greg Thompson's "Stagestruck" and "High Voltage," thru July 5 (dark Tues.); Freddy Fender, May 4-16; Bill Medley, May 18-30; Patti Page, June 1-13; Lacy J. Dalton, June 15-27; The Kingston Trio, June 29-July 11
John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3304 or 800-648-1177: *Celebrity Showroom*: Exile/Jeremy Vernon, April 29-May 12; Janie Fricke/The

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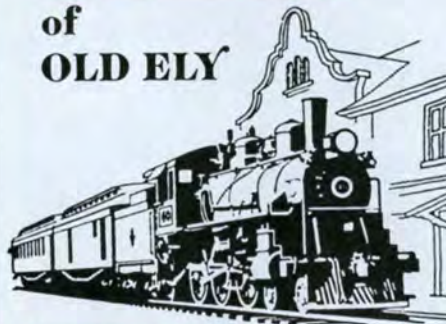
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Chinese Acrobats, May 13-26; The Lettermen/Mario and Daniel, May 27-June 9; Baillie and the Boys/Sammy King, June 10-23; Juice Newton/Ronnie Schell, June 24-July 7; Earl Thomas Conley/Dick Hardwick, July 8-21; *Casino Cabaret*: Flashback, indf.; Jay Ramsey, April 26-May 9; Angelstar, April 27-May 9; Garfin Gathering, May 10-23; Louie Fontaine, May 11-23

Peppermill, 826-2121 or 800-648-6992 (U.S. outside Nevada): K.O.T. Time Machine, thru May 9; Band on the Run/Gene and Brenda, May 3-9; Tanzania/Jerry Zu, May 10-23; Freddie Powers, May 24-30; Cameron/Madison Ave., May 24-June 6; Lelands, May 31-June 13; Surprise Package/Double Edge, June 7-13; David Proud/Cheryl Cotten, June 14-27; Williams and Ree, June 17-18; Tommy Bell, June 21-July 4; Louie Fontaine, June 28-July 4; Johnny Baron, July 5-11; K.O.T. Time Machine/Gene and Brenda, July 5-18

Ponderosa, 786-6820: Nightly entertainment
Reno Hilton, 789-2285 or 800-648-3568 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): Luis Enrique, May 1; George Carlin, May 7-8; The Mommies, comedy duo, May 9; Brooks and Dunn/Gary Mule Deer, May 12-15; Restless Heart, May 19-22; Four Tops/Tony Orlando, May 27-31; Just for Laughs, comedy club, indf.

Reno Ramada, 788-2000: Entertainment TBA
Silver Club, Sparks, 358-4771 or 800-648-1137: Vamp, thru May 2; David Proud, May 3-16; Foreign Affair, May 17-30

Western Village, Sparks, 331-1069: Entertainment TBA

Carson City/Carson Valley

Carson City Nugget, 882-1626 or 800-426-5239 (continental U.S. outside Nevada): Big Tiny Little Show, May 4-23; The Four Tunes, May 25-June 13; Blind Date Show, June 15-July 4; Get Ready Show, July 6-18

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

Carson Valley Inn, Minden, 782-9711 or 800-321-6983 (U.S. outside Nevada): Lelands, May 3-8; Shake, Rattle, and Roll, May 10-22; The Act, May 24-29; Perfect Circle, June 14-26; Gary and Sandy, June 28-July 10; Vamp, July 12-24; *Cabaret Lounge*: Live bands and dancing Mon.-Sat., DJ and oldies records Sun.

Sharkey's Nugget, Gardnerville, 782-3133
Topaz Lodge, Topaz Lake, 266-3339

Lake Tahoe

Bill's Lake Tahoe, Stateline, 588-2455

Caesars Tahoe, Stateline, 588-3515 or 800-648-3353: *Circus Maximus*: Anne Murray, May 28-30; *Caesars Cabaret*: Laff Trax

Cal-Neva Lodge, Crystal Bay, 832-4000 or 800-225-6382

Crystal Bay Club, Crystal Bay, 831-0512: Madison Ave., April 27-May 2; Martina Marie and Street Talk, May 4-16; Splash, May 18-30

Harrah's Lake Tahoe, Stateline, 588-6606 or 800-648-3773: *South Shore Room*: Greg Thompson's "Broadway," thru May 6 and May 12-June 3; Johnny Mathis, May 7-10; Bill Cosby, June 4-5; Me and My Girl, June 16-Sept. 6; *Stateline Cabaret*: Zasu Pitts Memorial Orchestra, May 27-30; Elvin Bishop, July 1-4; "Beyond Bare Essence," indf. (dark Thurs.)

Harvey's, Stateline, 588-2411 or 800-553-1022: *Emerald Theater*: "George M!" indf.; *Convention Center*: Danny Marona, May 29-31 and July 1-4; *Llewellyn's*: Ron Rose Sound, indf.; *Emerald Party Lounge*: Steel Breeze, thru May 9; Glen

PREVIEW

Reliving Comstock History

Virginia City's streets will be filled with historic and literary figures on May 13-16 when the town celebrates Comstock Historic Preservation Weekend.

Dressed in period costumes, the Nevada Civil War Volunteers will conduct living-history tours of the homes of Comstock bonanza kings. "Welcome, Grant" is this year's theme, and General Grant himself will be on hand to speak from the balcony of the Savage Mansion, as he did in 1879. The Victorian House and Garden Tour begins at 10 a.m. on May 15. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door.

A dinner and lecture, "A New Look at the Comstock," will be given by author and historian Ron James at the Gold Hill Hotel on May 13. On May 14 at 5:30 p.m., Storey County Recorder Maggie Lowther will conduct a free tour through the Storey County Courthouse and unveil the recently restored architectural renderings of plans for the 1876 courthouse.

Theater impresario Bill Beeson will present a new musical play by the Virginia City Muckers at 7 p.m. at



Barbara "Squeek" LaVake, whose historic home will be open for tours, poses in front of the Fourth Ward School.

the High School Commons. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for students.

The Sun Mountain Pup-

pet Company will present "Tess' Terrific Trip" at the Fourth Ward School on May 15. Showtimes are 9 a.m.,

10:30 a.m., and 1 p.m. Tickets are \$2 for adults and \$1 for children. Mark Twain will appear at the Old Washoe Club to benefit the Comstock Arts Council.

The Virginia and Truckee Railroad will be running, and the Gold Hill Depot will be open for tours. A widow in her "widdie weeds" will give a tearful tour of Virginia City's Mount Pleasant Cemeteries at noon on May 15. A parade is planned for 11 a.m. May 16 on C Street.

The Fourth Ward School will be the setting for the annual Silver Tea from 1 to 5 p.m. on May 16. Participants this year will celebrate Edna May Poulsen Robison Whitby's 100th birthday. Born in Virginia City, Edna graduated from the Fourth Ward School.

All proceeds from the Comstock Historic Preservation Weekend benefit the restoration of the Fourth Ward School. For more information call the Fourth Ward School Museum at 702-847-0975 or the Chamber of Commerce at 702-847-0311, or write the Fourth Ward School Museum, Box 4, Virginia City, NV 89440.—Andria Daley

Williams and the Danny Marona Band, May 3-16; Tommy Bell, May 10-16; Stinger/Vamp, May 17-23; Eddie Dunbar/Denny Gilley, May 24-June 6; Madison Ave., June 7-13; Zippers, June 7-20; Gary and Sandy, June 14-27; Reta and the Wizz Kidz, June 21-27; Steel Breeze/Band on the Run, June 28-July 4

Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe, Incline Village, 831-1111: Garfin Gathering, May 4-9; Lane Cameron Trio, May 11-16; Double Edge, May 18-23; Herb McQuay, May 25-30; Silk, June 1-6; Perfect Circle, June 8-13; Tommy Bell, June 15-20; Power House, June 22-27; Shake, Rattle, and Roll, June 29-July 4; Vermilion, July 13-18; David Proud, July 20-25

Lake Tahoe Horizon, Stateline, 588-6211: Golden

Cabaret: "Passion 2," indf.; **Aspen Lounge**: Lane Cameron, thru May 2; George Pickard, May 4-30; Will Kiefer, June 1-July 4

Lakeside Inn, Stateline, 588-7777: Entertainment TBA

Tahoe Biltmore, Crystal Bay, 831-0660: Tammy Allen, April 27-May 9; Renata, May 11-23

GAMING TOURNAMENTS

May

Blackjack, May 2-3, Horizon, 588-6211 ext. 3035

Slots, May 2-3, Horizon, 588-6211 ext. 3035

Slots, May 2-4, Peppermill, 689-7282

Slots, May 2-4, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3300

Slots, May 3-5, Riverboat, 323-8877

Keno, May 7-9, Comstock, 329-1880

Bingo, May 9 and May 30, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3300

Blackjack, May 9-10, Peppermill, 689-7282

Slots, May 9-12, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, 356-3300

Blackjack, May 14-16, Fitzgeralds, 785-3381

Slots, May 14-16, Comstock, 329-1880

Slots, May 15, Tahoe Biltmore, 831-0660

Slots, May 17, Harrah's Reno, 788-2790

Keno, May 21, Carson Valley Inn, Minden, 782-

HOTELS

Casino Notes

The Carson Valley Inn's new Carson Valley Motor Lodge in Minden is expected to open in June. The registration office for the 76-room Lodge will be in the renovated two-story red-brick house built by William Wennhold nearly 70 years ago. The Inn is also expanding its casino and adding a new restaurant and sports bar.

- **Circus Circus** in Reno has expanded the casino's nonsmoking area. Nonsmokers will have access to table games, slot machines, keno, and a bar at the south end of the Skytower casino.

- The **Comstock Hotel** in Reno celebrates its 15th birthday May 1-15 with free cake, punch, 15-cent food and drink specials, live music, and gaming specials.

- Ethel Porter wanted a change, so she came to Reno and got \$222,716.66 worth of change. Ethel and her husband Jim had played \$6 in the Nevada Nickels machine at the **Eldorado** when the lights started flashing and the bells began ringing. "At first I thought I had won 5,000 coins. Then I realized what had happened," she said. She plans to use her winnings to travel and add to her retirement fund.

- The **Eldorado** in Reno is celebrating its 20th birthday June 6-25. Festivities include free slot tournaments with a \$100,000 grand prize, nightly restaurant specials featuring international cuisine, cake and champagne daily, and the opening of the hotel's 700-space parking garage and skyway.

- **Harrah's Reno** has reopened its



Circus Circus in Reno has expanded the casino's nonsmoking area.

Skyway Buffet after remodeling. The buffet now has a European harvest theme, with tiled floors, wrought-iron accents, and tapestries. Patrons can still enjoy breakfast, lunch, and dinner at the old prices.

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Pai Gow, May 21-23,
 Comstock, 329-
 1880
Blackjack, May 22,
 John Ascuaga's
 Nugget, Sparks,
 356-3300
Blackjack, May 25,
 Carson Valley
 Inn, Minden, 782-
 9711

June
Blackjack, June 1-3,
 Lake Tahoe Hor-
 izon, 588-6211
Slots, June 1-3, Lake
 Tahoe Horizon,
 588-6211
Slots, June 6-8 and
 July 25-27, Eldorado, 786-5700
Slots, June 6-8 and July 9-11, Riverboat, 323-8877
**World Championship of Race Horse Race Handi-
 capping**, June 9-12, Club Cal-Neva, 323-1046
Slots, June 11-13, Fitzgeralds, 785-3381
Keno, June 11-13 and July 16-18, Comstock, 329-
 1880
Blackjack, June 18-20, Riverboat, 323-8877
Slots, June 18-20, Comstock, 329-1880

ATTRACTIONS, TOURS & MUSEUMS

Carson City

Kit Carson Trail: Self-guided walking tour, 882-
 1565 or 800-638-2321
Nevada State Archives: Exhibits, State Library,
 100 Stewart St., 687-5210
Nevada State Capitol: 687-5030
Nevada State Museum: 600 N. Carson St., 687-
 4810
Nevada State Railroad Museum: S. Carson St. at
 Fairview Dr., 687-6953
Roberts House Museum: 1207 Carson St., 882-
 1805
Stewart Indian Museum: 5366 Snyder Ave., 882-
 1808
Warren Engine Co. No. 1 Museum: 111 N. Curry
 St., 887-2210

Genoa

Genoa Courthouse Museum: 782-4325
Mormon Station State Historic Park: Seasonal,
 782-4325, 687-4379
Walley's Hot Springs: 2001 Foothill Rd., 782-8155

Lake Tahoe

Lake Tahoe Nevada State Park: 2005 Hwy. 28,
 Incline Village, 831-0494
M.S. Dixie Cruiseship: Seasonal, Zephyr Cove,
 588-3508
Ponderosa Ranch: Seasonal, Incline Village, 831-
 0691
Tahoe Queen Sternwheeler: South Lake Tahoe,
 CA, 916-541-3364
Tahoe Rim Trail: 916-577-0676
U. S. Forest Service Visitors Center: Tours, 916-
 573-2600
Vikingsholm: Tours, 916-525-7232

Reno

Bull Creek Ranch: Verdi, 345-7600
Fleischmann Planetarium: UNR, 784-4811



The Dinosaurs of the Deep exhibit with life-like moving sea monsters is at the Wilbur D. May Museum in Reno through August 8.

grams, 160 W. Liberty St., 329-3333
Numana Hatchery Visitors Center: Pyramid
 Lake, 574-0290
**Raymond I. Smith Truckee River Walk and
 Wingfield Park Amphitheater**: 334-2077
Reno Tahoe Gaming Academy: Tours, 300 E.
 First St., Suite 103, 329-5665
UNR Anthropology Dept. Research Museum:
 UNR, 784-6704
**Wilbur D. May Arboretum and Botanical
 Garden**: Rancho San Rafael Park, 785-4153
Wilbur D. May Great Basin Adventure: Seasonal,
 Rancho San Rafael Park, 785-4064
Wilbur D. May Museum: Rancho San Rafael Park,
 785-5961
**William F. Harrah Foundation National Auto-
 mobile Museum**: 10 Lake St. S., 333-9300

Sparks

National Air Museum and Hall of Fame: 1570
 Hymer, 358-0505
Sparks Heritage Foundation and Museum: 820
 B St., 355-1144
Wild Island: Wild Island, Adventure Golf and
 Raceway, 250 Wild Island Ct., 359-2927

Virginia City

Chollar Mine: Tours, seasonal, 847-0155
1869 Territorial Prison Museum: Tours, 847-0500
Fourth Ward School Museum: Seasonal, 847-0975
Julia C. Bulette Red Light Museum: 847-9394
**Liberty Engine Co. No. 1 Comstock Firemen's
 Museum**: Seasonal, 847-0717
Mackay Mansion: 847-0173
Mark Twain Museum of Memories: 847-0454
Nevada Gambling Museum: 847-9022
Piper's Opera House: 847-0433
Ponderosa Mine: Tours, 847-0757
Territorial Enterprise Mark Twain Museum:
 847-0525
The Castle: Seasonal, 847-0275
The Way It Was Museum: 847-0766
Virginia and Truckee Railroad: Seasonal, 847-
 0380
Wild West Museum: 847-0400

Washoe Valley

Bowers Mansion Park: Pool, 4005 U.S. 395 North,
 849-1825
Davis Creek Park: 849-0684
Washoe Lake State Park: E. Lake Blvd., 687-4319

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May

Simply Fibrous, thru May 25, exhibit of fiber art, Northeastern Nevada Museum, Elko, 738-3418

Crafts of the Ranch, thru Sept. 4, Western Folklife Center, Elko, 738-7508

Art Exhibit, April 29-May 18, watercolors, Nevada landscapes, and old buildings near Minden by Nevada artist Ron Kwiek, Northeastern Nevada Museum, Elko, 738-3418

Two-Person Best Ball Golf Tournaments, April 30-May 1 and June 7-8, sponsored by State Line and Silver Smith hotels, Toana Vista Golf Course, Wendover, 664-2221

Bordertown Bike Challenge, April 30-May 2, races and tours for off-road bikes and road bikes, Wendover, 664-3414 or 800-426-6862

Cinco de Mayo Fiesta, May 1, parade, soccer tournament, and dance, Wendover, 664-3414

Elko Spring Home and Recreation Show, May 1-2, Elko Convention Center, 738-7135

Cinco de Mayo Festival, May 5, parade, food, crafts, traditional Mexican music by Quetzalcoatl, Winnemucca Convention Center, 623-4824

Cinco de Mayo, May 5, Mexican food, party, Outdoor Inn, Jarbidge, 488-2311

Two-Person Scramble Golf Tournament, May 7-8, sponsored by Nevada Crossing, Toana Vista Golf Course, Wendover, 664-2900

Barrel Futurity and Derby, May 8-9, fairgrounds, Winnemucca, 623-3282

Winnemucca Home, Garden, and Sport Show, May 8-9, fairgrounds, Winnemucca, 623-2225

Pony Express Championship Races, May 8-9, Wells, 752-3054

She's a Screamer Motorcycle Race, May 15, cross-country from Wells to Wendover, Motorcyclist Assn. National Championship event, 752-3540

Cottonwood Ranch's Old-Fashioned Cattle Drive, May 15-22, five days and four nights bringing yearlings into summer pasture along the Old Beef Trail, three nights at the Cottonwood Ranch, O'Neil Basin, Wells, 752-3604 or 916-832-4861

Seniors Classic Golf Tournament, May 17-18, sponsored by State Line and Silver Smith, Toana Vista Golf Course, Wendover, 664-2221

Photography Exhibit, May 20-June 22, photographs of mines by Bill DuBois, Northeastern Nevada Museum, Elko, 738-3418

Budweiser Pool Tournament, May 28-30, Nevada Crossing, Wendover, 664-2900



Basque dancers, like the ones above at the Winnemucca Basque Festival, add color and pageantry to festivals in Elko, Reno, and Las Vegas this summer and fall.

Irrepressible Art, May 28-June 29, folk art display of wood, rawhide, cowboy furniture, hitching, decoys, Basque folk art, Northeastern Nevada Museum, Elko, 738-3418

Portuguese Festa, May 29-30, procession, Mass, sopas (dinner), community center, Lovelock, 273-7890 or 273-7144

Winnemucca Senior Pro Rodeo, May 29-30, veterans of the sport of rodeo compete, fairgrounds, Winnemucca, 623-5071

Silver State Clay Pigeon Shoot, May 29-30, sports complex, north of Wells, 752-3540

Jarbidge Memorial Day Weekend Festivities, May 29-30, on Sat.-Sun. dancing to live music at the Outdoor Inn; on Sun. 24th annual barbecue, Jarbidge, 488-2311

Bingo Games, May 29-30 and July 3-4, community hall, Jarbidge 488-2311

June

Rich Roping Championship, June 4-5, Wendover Equestrian Park, 801-793-2465

Senior Classic Golf Tournament, June 4-5, sponsored by Nevada Crossing, Toana Vista Golf Course, Wendover, 664-2900

Denio Barbecue and Roping, June 5, 941-0357

Winnemucca Mule Show and Races, June 5-6, parimutuel racing, fairgrounds, Winnemucca, 623-2225

Elko Mining Expo, June 10-12, displays of mine-related merchandise and technology, Elko Convention Center, 738-4091 or 800-248-ELKO

Angel Lake Fishing Derby, June 12, kids' fishing derby, prizes donated by local businesses, Angel Lake, 752-3540

Winnemucca Basque Festival, June 12-13, parade, strength and endurance games, dance, Mass, family-style steak dinner, fairgrounds, Winnemucca, 623-2225

Pershing County High School Rodeo, June 12-13, rodeo grounds, Lovelock, 273-2481

Car Show, June 12-13, vintage, modified, classics, and trucks, also DARE vehicle show, contests, 8am-4pm, Strip Park on Amhurst Ave., Lovelock, 273-4143, 273-3151, or 273-9336

Keno Tournament, June 18-19, State Line, Wendover, 664-2221

Red Mountain Powwow, June 18-20, competition dancing, social and traditional dancing, arts and crafts booths, food, annual Father's Day Dinner, public welcome, Fort McDermitt Pai-Sho Reservation, McDermitt, 532-8201

Elko Fest, June 19, celebrates Elko's designation as "The Best" in Norman Crampton's book "The 100 Best Small Towns in America," includes food and game booths, kiddie carnival, adult street dance, youth dance, pie eating contest, Native American dances, 9am-midnight, City Park, Elko, 738-7135 or 738-0487

Cowboy Music Gathering, June 24-27, Ian Tyson, the Texas Playboys, and others in concert, dances, Rodeo Rendezvous featuring working display of traditional and innovative chuck wagons, sheep camps, and range teepees, Western Folklife Center and fairgrounds, Elko, for info. 738-7508, for tickets 800-748-4466

National Basque Festival Photos, June 24-July 20, Northeastern Nevada Museum, Elko, 738-3418

Four-Person Scramble Golf Tournament, June 25-26, sponsored by State Line and Silver Smith, Toana Vista Golf Course, Wendover, 664-2221

Lamoille Country Fair, June 27, arts and crafts and food, 9am-5pm, next to Women's Clubhouse, Lamoille, 738-4488

July

National Basque Festival, July 2-4, 30th annual, on Fri. talent night featuring Basque music and dance at 7pm; on Sat. parade, weightlifting, woodchopping, and working sheepdog competitions, and public dance; on Sun.

Basque/English Mass, lamb and steak meal, dance groups, and jota contest, Elko, 738-7547
Carl Hayden Daze, July 3-4, includes Hollerin' Contest, jackrabbit races, a golf club throwing contest, and the Carl Hayden Writing Contest with a \$1,000 grand prize, Jackpot fly-in, air race from Jackpot to Wells and back, Jackpot, 755-2321 or 800-442-3833 ext. 6706

Twin States Stampede, July 3-4, McDermitt, 532-8742

Test and Tune Time Trial, July 3-4, Bonneville Salt Flats, 801-785-5364

Winnemucca Junior Rodeo, July 3-4, fairgrounds, Winnemucca, 623-3193

Lovelock Fourth of July, July 4, 10am kids' parade, booths, fireworks at McDougal's Complex, Lovelock, 273-7213

Jarbridge Fourth of July, July 4, on Sat.-Sun. dancing to live music at the Outdoor Inn; on Sun. fourth annual parade down Main Street, second annual tug of war, and deep-pit beef barbecue at the picnic area, Jarbridge, 488-2311

Wendover Fourth of July, July 4, parade, deep-pit barbecue, 664-3414 or 800-426-6862

July Fourth Rodeo, July 4, Duck Valley Reservation, Owyhee, 757-3161

July Fourth Powwow, July 4, Te-Moak Tribes, Lee (Elko), 744-4273

PONY EXPRESS TERRITORY



May

Desert Oasis Bluegrass Festival, May 7-9, third annual, bluegrass, folk, and country music, arts and crafts, cook-off, music workshops, and songwriting competitions, fairgrounds in Fallon (Straugh Memorial Diabetes Cross-Country Horse Ride will pass through Fallon on Sat.), 423-7733

Gymkhana, May 8, barrel racing, pole bending, and team roping, 318 Roping Club, Lanes Truck Stop, Preston, 238-5230 or 235-5333

Hidden Cave Tour, May 8, May 22, June 12, June 26, July 10, and July 24, 9:30am, Churchill County Museum, Fallon, 423-3677

Pony Express Trail Ride, May 10-19, riders will go through Fallon, 867-3815 or 423-5239

Alfredo Rolando Ortiz Concert, May 15, Venezuelan and Paraguayan harp, repertoire covers classical folk and popular music of Latin America, Fallon Elks Lodge, 423-1440

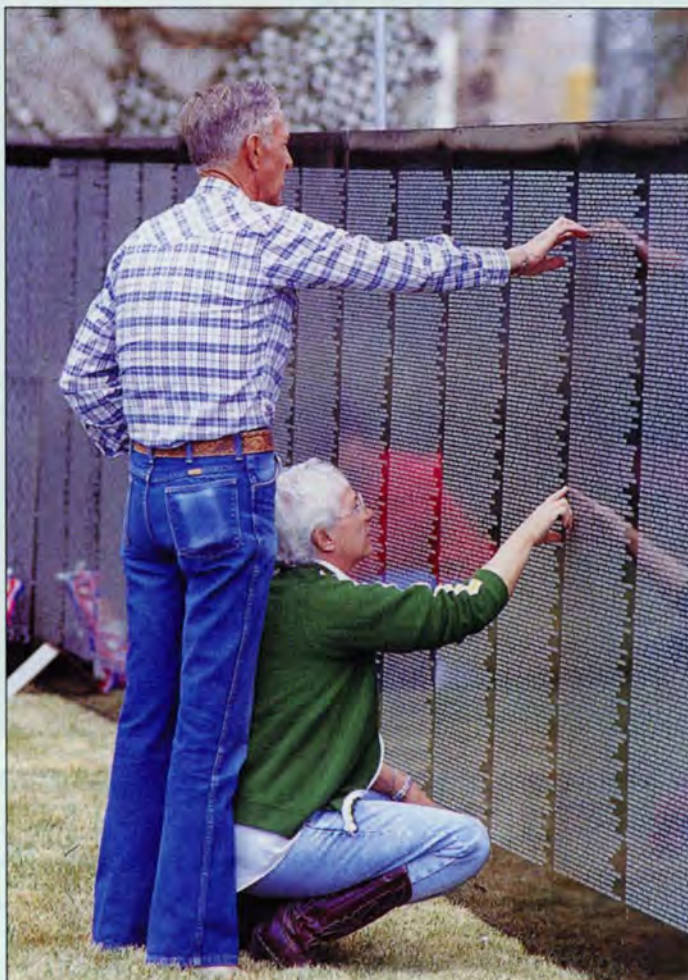
BluBlocker Nevada 100, May 15-16, car show at Broadbent Park in Ely, high-speed car race on State Route 318 between Lund and Hiko, host city is Ely, 289-8877

Ely Amateur Golf Tournament, May 15-16, White Pine Golf Course, Ely, 289-4095

Fallon Nugget Invitational Golf Tournament, May 15-16, second annual, two-person best ball, 8am tee time, \$75 entry, calcutta on Sat. night, free slot tournament, and buffet, Fallon Golf Course and Fallon Nugget, 423-6031

Lahontan Valley Garden Club Iris Show, May

PREVIEW



The Vietnam memorial traveling wall: A touching reminder.

A Moving Memorial

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall will be on display in Hawthorne during the town's 43rd annual Armed Forces Day Celebration.

Visitors can see the traveling wall at the football field at the Army base from May 10 to 16. The wall is a half-scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., and lists the names of the 58,183 Americans killed or missing in action during the Vietnam War.

Armed Forces Day is a major event in Hawthorne. Organizers have scheduled a parade on Saturday, stock car races, an open house at the

military base, and dances, barbecues, and art shows. It also runs from May 10-16.

Hawthorne has had a long association with the military, beginning in 1928 when the Navy began building what is now the Hawthorne Army Ammunitions Plant. Covering 237 square miles, it is the world's largest munitions depot.

For more information on the Armed Forces Day Celebration, call the Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce at 702-945-5896. For more information on the traveling wall, contact Vietnam Combat Veterans Ltd. at 408-288-6305.—D. Brian Burghart

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June 5 & 6 - Winnemucca Mule Show & Races

June 12 & 13 - Winnemucca Basque Festival

June 20 - Paradise Valley Firemen's BBQ

July 3 & 4 - Ranch Hand Rodeo - McDermitt

July 11-15 - IFCA World Championship Roping

August 3 - Hot August Nights Winnemucca

August 14 & 15 - Nevada Open Horse Show & Futurity

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Sept. 11 & 12 Buckaroo Country Team Penners

Sept. 18 & 19 Ranch Hand Rodeo

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PIONEER TERRITORY



May

A Common Thread, thru June 1, traveling show of crafts made by Nevadans, Central Nevada Museum, Tonopah, 482-9676

Best of the West Horseshoe Tournament, April 29-May 2, second annual, \$2,000 purse, Burro Inn horseshoe pits, Beatty, 553-2225

Historic Preservation Week and National Archaeology Awareness Week, May 9-15, program at Central Nevada Museum, Tonopah, 482-9676

Armed Forces Day Celebration, May 10-16, pa-

17-21, Churchill County Museum, Fallon, 423-3677

Top Gun Drag Races, May 21, June 26, Aug. 21,

and Oct. 2, Naval Air Station, Fallon, 423-3104

Valley Off-Road Racing Assn. Race, May 28-31, Yerington, 463-3721

June

Art Exhibit, June 1-30, paintings by Robert Else, Churchill Public Library, Fallon, 423-1440

Best in the Desert Grand Prix, June 12, motorcycle race, Ely, 289-8877

Tractor Pulls, June 12, Cascade Pullers Assn., 7pm, fairgrounds, Ely, 289-8877

Nevada High School State Finals Rodeo, June 17-20, fairgrounds, Yerington, 423-4674 or 883-6035

Gridley Days, June 18-20, Nevada State Old-Time Fiddlers Contest, Gridley Sack of Flour Foot Race, mining games, dances, Austin Town Park and Austin roping arena, 964-2200

Fort Churchill Celebration and Encampment, June 19-20, living history talk, demonstrations, and Civil War battle reenactments, Fort Churchill State Historic Park, eight miles south of Silver Springs, 577-2345

July

Silver State International Rodeo, July 1-4, for high-school rodeo contestants from throughout the U.S. and Canada, nightly teen dances, trade show, concessions, adult dance on Sat., fairgrounds, Fallon, 423-4674 or 883-6035

Ely Fourth of July Celebration, July 4, Kiwanis' celebration includes parade, games at Broadbent Park, fireworks, Ely, 289-8877

Fireworks Train, July 4, train ride from Ely to Adverse for fireworks and barbecue, (22 miles round trip), 7-9:30pm, Nevada Northern Railway Museum, 289-2085

Nevada Photography Workshop, July 10-17, camp in Berlin-Ichthyosaur and Cathedral Gorge state parks, Big Smoky Valley, White Pine Range, Great Basin National Park, 825-0109

Dayton's 10th Annual Beer Can Swap Meet, July 31, Dayton State Park, 687-5678 or 246-0142

PREVIEW

Hollerin' for Hayden

Carl Hayden Daze, Jackpot's celebration on Independence Day weekend, honors the legendary scribe who helped put the Northeastern Nevada town on the map.

In 1973 Carl Hayden became publicist for Cactus Petes Casino in Jackpot after 35 years as a reporter with the *Salt Lake Tribune*. During his two decades as publicist, Hayden, who died last August, helped create and champion events such as the Fourth of July Hollerin' Contest, which has become part of Carl Hayden Daze.

This year's Daze, July 3-4, will feature the Hollerin' Contest, jackrabbit races, a golf club throwing contest, and the Carl Hayden Writing Contest, which will have a \$1,000 grand prize.

The oldest of the events is the

Hollerin' Contest. It was called the International Bellowing Contest when it began in 1976. A past winner's bellow reportedly carried for three miles. The Hollerin' Contest is judged on loudness, clarity, and type of message. Shouts such as "Dance at Jen's barn tonight!" or "The stage is coming!" are popular with contestants.

The Jackpot Fly In also takes place during Carl Hayden Daze. The race, sponsored by Rutan and Composite Enthusiasts (RACE), runs 125 miles from Jackpot to Wells and back.

Performers plan to fly the Missing Man Formation at noon on July Fourth in honor of Carl Hayden.

For more information, call Cactus Petes at 702-755-2321 or 800-442-3833 ext. 6706.—D. Brian Burghart



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APRIL

Elko: Int'l Collegiate Mining Competition

MAY

Winnemucca: Barrel Racing Futurity & Derby, Senior Pro Rodeo

Wendover: Spring Fling Mountain Bike Race

Lovelock: Portuguese Festa

JUNE

McDermitt: Red Mountain Indian Pow Wow and Rodeo

Winnemucca: Mule Show & Races

N.A. Basque Festival

Elko: Mining Exposition

Lamoille Country Fair

Cowboy Music Gathering

Battle Mountain: Prospector Days

Paradise Valley: Firemen's BBQ

JULY

McDermitt: Ranch Hand Rodeo

Elko: National Basque Festival

Silver State Stampede

Jackpot: Carl Hayden Daze

Jarbridge: Nevada Days

Winnemucca: IFCA World Championship Roping

AUGUST

Wendover: Bonneville Speed Week

Winnemucca: Hot August Nights

Nevada Open Horse Show

Battle Mountain: Lander County Fair

Elko: ACERBIS Nevada Rally

Lovelock: Frontier Days

Labor Day Weekend Events

Elko: County Fair & Livestock Show & Pari-Mutuel Racing

Winnemucca: Buckaroo Heritage Western Art Roundup, Tri-County Fair & Winnemucca Rodeo

SEPTEMBER

Battle Mountain: Covered Wagon Trail Ride

Wells: Race to the Angel

Wendover: World of Speed

Jackpot: Diamondfield Jack Horse Race

Winnemucca: Thoroughbred, Quarterhorse & Mule Pari-Mutuel Racing, Ranch Hand Rodeo

Elko: Morrader's Car Show

Man & Mule Race to Lamoille

OCTOBER

Wendover: USA! Airshow & Races

NOVEMBER

Wendover: World Finals Speed Racing

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RURAL EVENTS

rade on May 15, replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall on display from May 10-16, depot open house, train rides, music, car races, fireworks, Army Ammunition Depot and town of Hawthorne, 945-5896 or 945-2942

Motorcraft Ford Trucks Nevada 500, May 14-16, High Desert Racing Assn., Pahrump, 361-5404

Tonopah Army Air Field 50th Reunion, May 27-30, reunion for personnel stationed at Tonopah from 1942-1945, sponsored by Central Nevada Museum, Tonopah, 482-9676

Jim Butler Days Celebration, May 28-31, parade on Sat., street dance, mining contests, Toughest in the West 10K run, State Liars Contest, chili cook-off, a fiddler's contest, hot-air balloons, arts and crafts, and slide show at Central Nevada Museum, Tonopah, 482-3859

Lincoln County Homecoming, May 28-31, rodeo, open-pit barbecue, skydiver, ball games, wacky Olympics, art show, dances, reunions, Miss Lincoln County pageant, Dixon Park, Rose Park, and rodeo grounds, Caliente, 726-3333 or 726-3129

Lincoln County Rodeo Series, May 29-30 and July 9-10 at Caliente rodeo grounds, Aug. 20-21 at Panaca fairgrounds, 728-4284

Portuguese Festa, May 29-30, annual celebration honoring Queen Isabela of Portugal, held since 1919 in Yerington, Holy Family Catholic Center, Yerington, 463-5856 or 463-3842

June

Spring Festival, June 4-6, Duckwater Reservation, Duckwater, 863-0227

Smith Valley Day, June 19, pancake breakfast, Coyote Chase 5K and 10K runs and two-mile walk, arts and crafts, food and games, buggy and wagon rally, cowboy poetry, and country music, events at Smith Valley School in Smith and at Heyday Inn in Wellington, 465-2541 or 465-2422

Yerington Sack Race, June 26, based on contest held in 1910; men carry 100-lb. sack and women carry 50-lb. sack on a five-mile course, prize money ranges from \$100 to \$1,000, entry fees from \$50 to \$100, 5pm, held in conjunction with Main Street Festival (June 26-27), downtown Yerington, 463-3721

Main Street Festival, June 26-27, Yerington Sack Race, arts and crafts booths, street dance with '50s and '60s band, Yerington, 463-3721

Pizen Switch Roundup, June 27, old-fashioned country picnic, bring a picnic lunch or join in potluck, Mountain View Park, Yerington, 588-5372 or 463-4232

July

Yerington Fourth of July, July 4, fireworks on State Route 339 near Weed Heights, 463-3333

Pahrump Fourth of July, July 4, barbecue, Unhorse Derby with jockeys on stick horses, and fireworks, Community Park, 727-5800

Nevada Photography Workshop, July 10-17, camp in Berlin-Ichthyosaur and Cathedral Gorge state parks, Big Smoky Valley, White Pine Range, Great Basin National Park, 825-0109

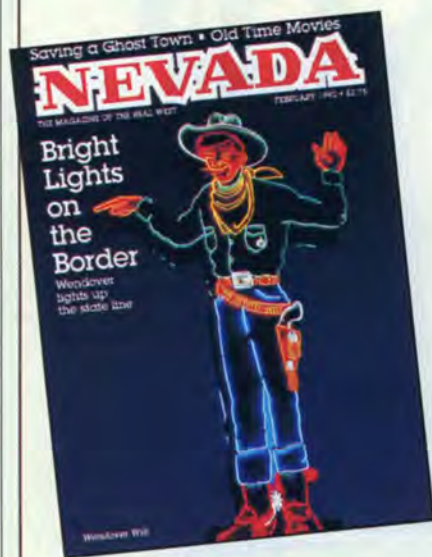
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Battle Mountain: Owl Club, 635-5155

Elko: Commercial Hotel, 738-3181. Red Lion, 738-2111 or 800-545-0044 (Western U.S. outside Nevada). Stockmen's Hotel, 738-5141

Jackpot: Barton's Club 93, 755-2341. Cactus Petes,

755-2321 or 800-821-1103. Horseshu Casino, 755-2331

Mill City (on I-80): Burns Bros. Casino, Mr. B's Lounge, 538-7306

Wendover: Nevada Crossing, 664-4000. Peppermill, 664-2255 or 800-648-9660 (U.S. outside Nevada): Sidro's Armada/Debbie McIntyre, May 3-9; Band on the Run/Lelands, May 10-23; Katrina Love/Sneak Preview, May 24-June 6; Party Co./Network, June 7-13; Splash/The Act, June 14-20; Splash/K.O.T. Time Machine, June 21-27; K.O.T. Time Machine/Gregg Peterson, June 28-July 4; Gregg Peterson/Phylliss Kelley, July 5-11. 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: Nightly entertainment. State Line, 664-2221 or 800-648-9668: Nightly entertainment

Winnemucca: Winners Hotel, 623-2511: Band on the Run, thru May 2; Capone, May 11-23; Smash Hit, May 25-30

Pony Express Territory

Fallon: Bonanza Inn, 423-3111 ext. 47. Fallon Nugget, 423-3111

Pioneer Territory

Hawthorne: El Capitan, 945-3321: Entertainment TBA

Pahrump: Saddle West Casino, 727-5953 or 800-522-5953

Tonopah: Station House, 482-9777

Yerington: Casino West, 463-2481: Blue Flame, indf. Dini's Lucky Club, 463-2868: Live entertainment Fri.-Sat. nights

ATTRACTIONS, TOURS & MUSEUMS

Cowboy Country

Bonneville Speedway Museum: Seasonal, 1000 E. Wendover Blvd., Wendover, 801-665-7721

Buckaroo Hall of Fame and Heritage Museum: 50 Winnemucca Blvd. W., Winnemucca, 623-2225

Giant Tufa Park: Seven miles west of Lovelock, 273-7213

Humboldt Museum: Jungo Rd. and Maple Ave., Winnemucca, 623-2912

Jarbridge Wilderness Area: 208-543-4129

Marzen House Museum: Marzen Ln., Lovelock, 273-7213

Northeastern Nevada Museum: 1515 Idaho St., Elko, 738-3418

Wild Horse State Recreation Area: 65 miles north of Elko, 758-6493

Pioneer Territory

Belmont Courthouse State Historic Site: 867-3001

Berlin-Ichthyosaur State Park: 867-3001

Cathedral Gorge State Park: Panaca, 728-4467

Central Nevada Museum: Logan Field Rd., Tonopah, 482-9676

Death Valley National Monument: Via Beatty, 619-786-2331

Lincoln County Museum: Main St., Pioche, 962-5207

Lyon County Museum: 215 S. Main St., Yerington, 463-3341 ext. 255 or 463-3721

Million Dollar Courthouse: Seasonal, Lacour St.,

Pioche, 962-5182

Mineral County Historical Museum: 400 10th St., Hawthorne, 945-5142

Pahrump Valley Winery: Tours, 3810 Homestead Rd., Pahrump, 727-6900 or 800-368-WINE

Rhyolite Bottle House and Historic Site: 553-2424

Spring Valley State Park: Pioche, 962-5102

Walker Lake Recreation Area: Hawthorne, 945-5896

Pony Express Territory

Cave Lake State Recreation Area: 15 miles south of Ely, 728-4467

Churchill County Museum and Hidden Cave: Tours, 1050 S. Maine St., Fallon, 423-3677

Dayton State Park: 687-5678

East Ely Railroad Depot Museum: Tours, 289-1663

Eureka Sentinel Museum: Eureka, 237-5010 or 237-5484

Fort Churchill State Historic Park: Silver Springs, 577-2345

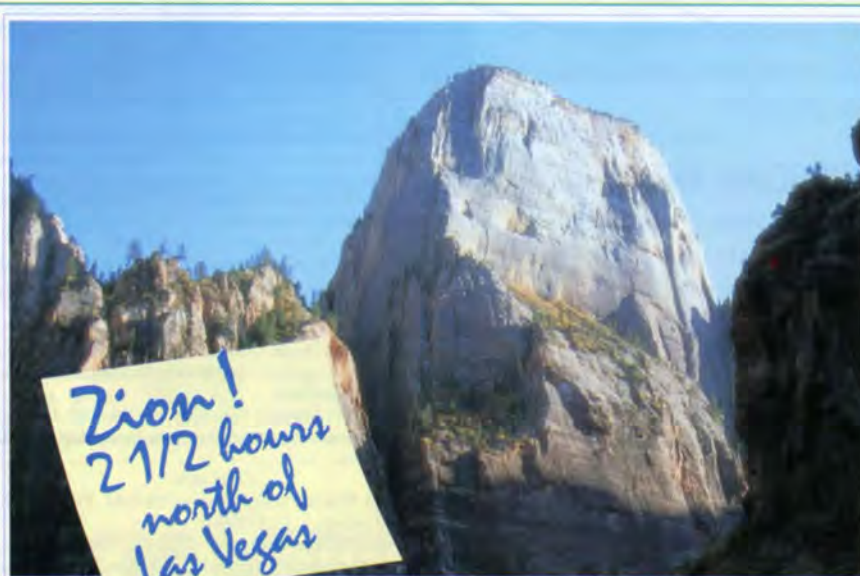
Great Basin National Park: Baker, 234-7331

Hickison Petroglyph Recreation Site: 24 miles east of Austin on U.S. 50

Nevada Northern Railway Museum: Seasonal, East Ely, 289-2085

Sand Mountain: 20 miles east of Fallon, U.S. 50, 885-6000

Ward Charcoal Ovens Historic State Monument: 16 miles (11 dirt) south of Ely



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Sam's Town/Uptown Buffet—5111 Boulder Hwy., 454-8048. B, L, D. \$, major.

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MEXICAN

Las Vegas Hilton/Paco's—732-5111. Fajitas, burritos, chimichangas, and tostadas. D. \$\$, major.

Sam's Town/Willy and Jose's Mexican Cantina—5111 Boulder Hwy., 454-8044. Authentic Mexican dishes in Old Mexico setting. D. \$, major.

ORIENTAL

Imperial Palace/Ming Terrace—794-3261. Mandarin and Cantonese cuisine, abalone, kung pao shrimp, roast duck. D. \$\$, major.

Las Vegas Hilton/Benihana Village—732-5111. Two traditional-style Japanese restaurants: habachi and robata. D. \$-\$\$\$, major.

Riviera Hotel/Rik'Shaw—794-9537. Pineapple duck, orange roughy with black pepper sauce. Beef, shrimp, chicken, and pork sautéed with Chinese vegetables in oyster sauce. D. \$-\$\$, major.

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Imperial Palace/Seahouse—794-3261. Alaskan King crab legs, hot and cold appetizers, seafood salads. D. \$\$, major.

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Riviera Hotel/Kristofer's—794-9233. Steak, seafood, and chicken. Complete dinners include glass of house wine, vegetable tray, breads, salad, entree, and dessert bonbons. D. \$\$, major.

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STEAK AND SEAFOOD

Carson Nugget/Oyster Bar—882-1626. L, D, \$, major.
Carson Nugget/Steak House—882-1626. Veal scallopini, scampi in dill sauce, chicken piccata, 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.

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.

Lake Tahoe Horizon/Four Seasons—Stateline, 588-6211 ext. 2437. Prime rib and New York steak. Complete dinners \$7.99. Open 24 hours. B, L, D, \$-\$\$, major.

ITALIAN

Caesars Tahoe/Primavera—Stateline, 588-3515. Linguini carbonara, tenderloin pizzaiola, pollo allo spumante. D, \$\$, major.

Harvey's/Llewellyn's—Stateline, 588-2411. International and contemporary cuisine. Sun. brunch, L, D, \$-\$\$, major.

Harvey's/Pizzeria—Stateline, 588-2411. Pizza baked in a brick oven, lasagna, salads. L, D, \$, major.

Harvey's/Sage Room—Stateline, 588-2411. Rack of lamb provincial, prime dry-aged cuts of beef, beef Wellington. D, \$-\$\$, major.

MEXICAN

Harvey's/El Vaquero—Stateline, 588-2411. Camerones Veracruz, carnita. 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.

Lake Tahoe Horizon/Josh's—588-6211 ext. 2413. Lobster dinner. Reservations recommended. D, \$\$, major.

Harvey's/Seafood Grotto—Stateline, 588-2411. Seafood selection plus Chinese dishes. L, D, \$-\$\$, major.

AROUND THE STATE

Elko: Stockmen's Motor Hotel—738-5141. Casino coffee shop, evening dinner house. B, L, D, \$-\$\$, major.

Ely: Copper Queen—289-4271. Coffee shop, family dining room. Steaks, prime rib, seafood. Family-style Basque dinners Fri.-Sat., 5-10 p.m. B, L, D, \$-\$\$, major.

Fernley: Sturgeon's—575-2222. Coffee shop, family dining room. Steaks, seafood. B, L, D, \$-\$\$, major.

Hawthorne: El Capitan—945-3321. Hamburgers, steaks, seafood; 5 p.m. buffet Wed.-Sun.; Sun. champagne brunch. B, L, D, \$-\$\$, major.

Lovelock: Sturgeon's—273-2971. Coffee shop open 24 hours, family dining room. Fiesta Room Supper Club Tues.-Sat., Steaks, seafood, Mexican dishes. B, L, D, \$-\$\$, major.

Tonopah: Station House/Mary's Kitchen—482-9777. Casino restaurant, breakfasts, hamburgers, steak, and seafood. B, L, D, \$, AE, MC, V.

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A Salute to Broadway

BY PENNYE NELSON

The neon lights are bright on Broadway in the Big Apple, and at Harrah's Lake Tahoe the lights also shine on Greg Thompson's "Broadway."

Right up front, I admit I love most everything about the way producer Greg Thompson and Mistinguett, his partner and choreographer, put together a show. They recruit

gorgeous but down-to-earth dancers who know how to keep pace with Mistinguett's athletic dance numbers. They use top-notch scores and inventive sets. The costumes by designer Jeni Jordan are glittery and sexy. Thompson definitely has the knack—he has two award-winning shows running in Reno as well as around the country, the Bahamas, and Japan.

"Broadway" is loosely termed "a musical salute to Broadway's biggest and brightest moments." It follows the lives of a young woman and her friends as they try to make it on the big stage. Along the way, the 10 singers, 18 dancers, and two tap dancers sing and dance to more than 70 hit Broadway songs, plus some that flash by in a bar or two. I stopped counting at 100.

Before the show started, most of the audience in the South Shore Room picked out their favorite hand-carved reliefs of Broadway hits on the custom-made proscenium. (Parents, this could be very educational for the kids, who are welcome at this show, by the way.) There's no toplessness, although some of the costumes offer a lesson in anatomy. It's a very pleasant lesson for both boys and girls, by gosh. Thompson and Mistinguett believe in sexy dressing for the males as well as the females. (I get tired of shows that have the women in G-strings and feathers while their dance partners are fully attired in tuxes and hats.)

Keep in mind that the "aspiring" de-



Costumes in "Broadway" and other shows can be the subject of spirited debate.

scription of the dancers is just make-believe. The stars include one of Bob Fosse's former lead dancers, Bob Anthony Davis. There's Julie Miller, who has co-starred with Anne Miller and Mickey Rooney in "Sugar Babies" and Joe Namath in "Sugar." Scott Farrell is a talented arranger and Broadway performer.

The clever use of stages keeps the action moving as we're all invited to the K-Tell Cabaret, featuring snippets of songs from "Cats," "Gypsy," "A Chorus Line," "Dreamgirls," "Phantom of the Opera," "Miss Saigon," and others. Bernice Wood's solo of "On My Own" from "Les Miserables" is exquisitely done.

But it's the tribute to Bob Fosse that will send shivers down your spine. The

huge turntable set comes alive with catwalks, sliding poles, and staircases. Dancers in trademark Bob Fosse black hose garters, white gloves, and bowler hats steam their way through the dance hall of "Sweet Charity," the jail cells of "Chicago" (love those women clanging their tin cups against the bars on the upper level, singing "He had it comin'"), and

the down-and-dirty decadence of "Cabaret." Have the kids explain the "Welcome to Air Erotica" number to you. Better yet, figure it out yourself.

All of us old movie fans—er, make that fans of old movies—recognize the wonderfully overdone Gershwin set, complete with Fred and Ginger, glittering piano-keyed staircase, and swirly chiffon. Songs like "Fascinatin' Rhythm," "Let's Call the Whole Thing Off," and "But Not For Me" you can explain to the kids.

My favorite segment is the trip to Harlem. I love Capathia Jenkins' name, her splendid big voice, and her matching body. She'll get your feet tapping and your face smiling.

The "Five Guys Named Moe" are dazzling. Adagio partners Shannon O'Keefe and David LeBlanc are dangerously exciting in "Slaughter on Tenth Avenue." (A trivia tip: The driver of the Rolls-Royce is Greg Thompson's son Alex and the little white dog belongs to O'Keefe.)

Julie Miller is a fine impersonator, and in a twinkling she becomes Barbra Streisand/Fanny Brice, Bette Midler, Sophie Tucker, and Marilyn Monroe.

When the lights went out at the end of "Broadway," I found myself ready to see it again. You can see it through June 3 (except May 7-11).

Pennye Nelson covers Nevada entertainment for the San Francisco Chronicle and is a frequent contributor to Nevada.

The Road to 'Broadway'

Greg Thompson's "Broadway" is playing through June 3 (except May 7-11) in the South Shore Room at Harrah's Lake Tahoe. Showtimes are 7:30 and 10:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday through Saturday, 4 and 7:30 p.m. Sun.; dark Tuesday. Prices are \$15 for the 4 and 10:30 p.m. shows, \$20 and \$25 for the 7:30 p.m. shows. Children six and older are allowed.

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