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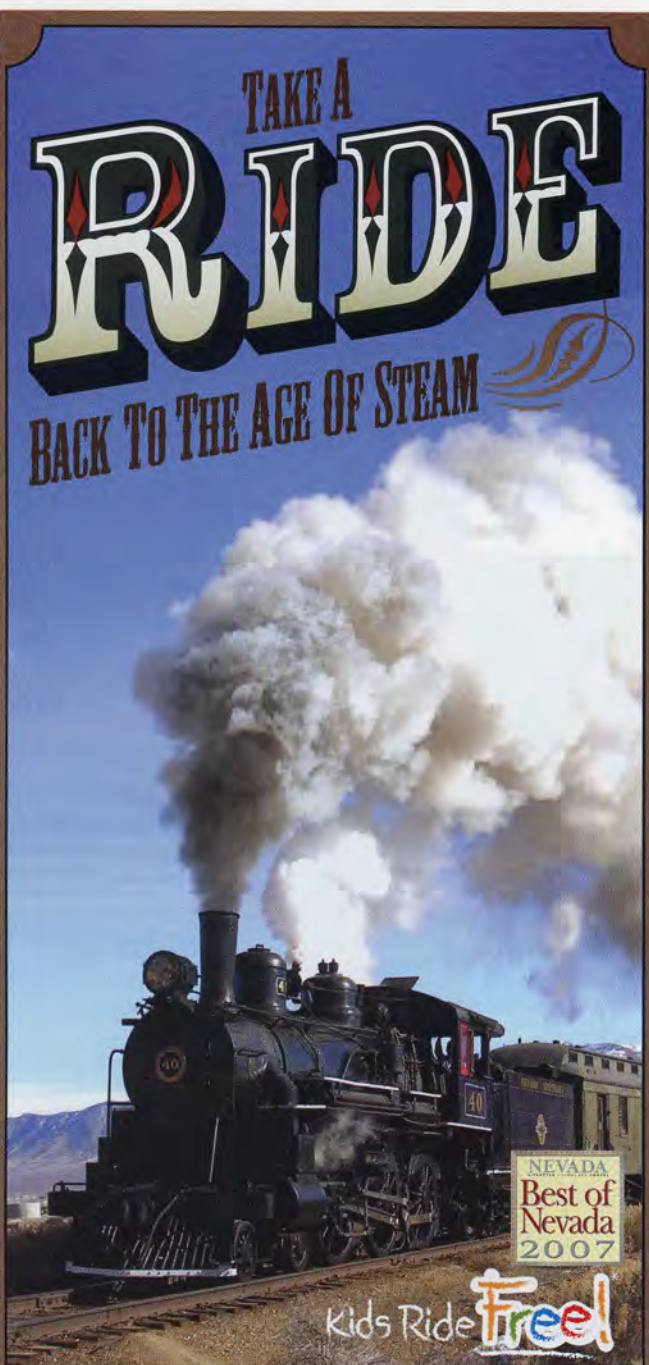


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COURTNEY SHEETS

A Nevada resident for more than 20 years, Las Vegas freelance writer Courtney Sheets has visited many of Sin City's reported haunted sites. Her story, "Ghost Walks," was inspired by her fascination with the paranormal and serves as a guide to some of Nevada's spookiest places. "I love sharing the stranger, darker, lesser-known history of Nevada with people," she says. When not researching the supernatural, Sheets acts and sings in community theater, including the Super Summer Theatre at Spring Mountain Ranch State Park. She is working on a screenplay about the last queen of Hawaii and a novel about Robin Hood.



MARK S. BACON

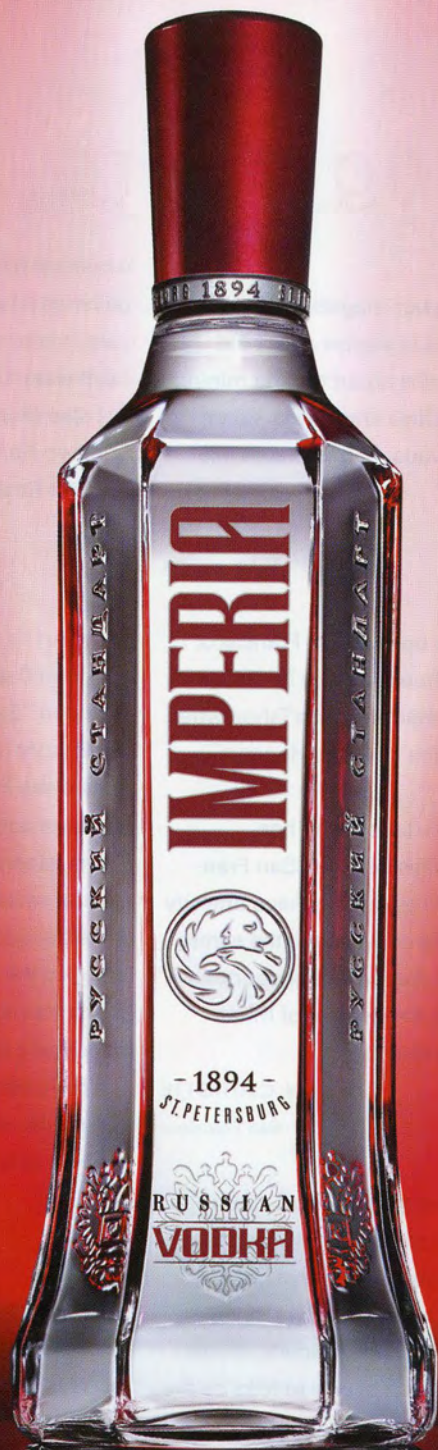
All it took was one flight during last year's Great Reno Balloon Race to make freelance travel writer-photographer Mark S. Bacon a hot-air balloon enthusiast. "After my second ride, I wanted to buy a balloon," he says. For "In Nevada Skies," Bacon writes about air shows around the state. When he was 17, Bacon sold his first magazine article. Since then his writing career has included several nonfiction books, TV commercials, print advertising, and newspaper and magazine articles. His works have been featured in the *Denver Post*, *Kansas City Star*, and *Washington Post*. Bacon lives in Reno and often writes for the *San Francisco Chronicle*.



BOB GOODMAN

Bob Goodman's lifelong interest in wetlands began during his childhood in Michigan, where he lived near a swamp. His passion for nature has followed him as a writer and photographer to Idaho, Montana, and now Nevada, culminating with his participation in helping to designate Swan Lake as a Nature Study Area. In "Swan Song," Goodman describes the bird-watching habitat, which is surrounded by urban development in Lemmon Valley, 12 miles north of downtown Reno. "The ever-changing scenes of Swan Lake have held my photographic interests for over 14 years and show no sign of abating," says the Reno resident.

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Where's Old Nevada?

As a longtime reader of your magazine, I would like to know what happened to stories about old Nevada. You used to do stories about the old mining camps and the great early cities and towns. When I'm in the great state of Nevada, I go to places like Austin and Eureka.

ROY M. MOORE
Alturas, CA

I'm 76 years old and was born in San Francisco. My first trip to the Reno-Tahoe area was in 1940. In the late 1950s I gambled at Harrah's Lake Tahoe when it was on the same side of the street as Harveys Wagon Wheel.

The character of the Reno-Tahoe area has changed. Just like the 45 miles between San Francisco and San Jose, you will eventually have one city from Reno to Carson City. Reno will have the same problems as San Francisco does with transportation, water, etc. Your magazine is a reflection of this.

I don't know if this is good or bad.

ALLEN CHRISTIE
San Francisco

Roy and Allen, we understand your concern about preserving "old Nevada." Small towns still exist, however, and *Nevada Magazine* plans to always include coverage of our rural areas. In this issue, we travel around the state seeking restaurants, saloons, scenic routes, and nature preserves that appeal to folks on the road—from RVers to motorcycle riders. Have a look.

EDITOR

An Update and an Addition

Thanks for the story about the emerging arts districts in Boulder City and Henderson in last issue's "Downtown Revivals" by Jack Bulavsky. Your readers may want to know that the Henderson Events Plaza has expanded its free Thursday night entertainment schedule to include Friday and Saturday evenings, and the downtown galleries and restaurants offer

extended hours on those nights. Some of the story's galleries have closed or been relocated due to redevelopment, and others are scheduled to open soon (visit waterstreetdistrict.com).

I also must point out that you neglected to mention two Henderson galleries: Quiet Places: A Water Street Art Space and Water Street Gallery.

GARY A. REESE
Owner, Quiet Places: A Water Street Art Space

Memories

A friend gave me the May/June 2007 issue that included "Exploring Nevada's Outback," Ann Henderson's story about Lincoln County's six state parks. I visited the Pioche area before the parks in Eagle Valley were completed, but I got to know Henderson's father, George Heidenreich. At the time I met him, he and several other local guys were working on developing the parks. I can't tell you how much I enjoyed the story. Cathedral Gorge always appealed to the rockhound in me. The people I met there were so friendly and helpful.

I have never heard of the song, "When It's Night-time in Nevada," that was mentioned in the story. How does it go?

G.W. ANDERSON
San Diego

G.W., we're glad you liked the story. George Heidenreich worked on the Echo Canyon and Spring Valley parks in the 1950s. As for the song, you can find it on our Web site, nevadamagazine.com.

EDITOR

Great Publication

I was speaking recently with one of the Harrah's Laughlin housekeeping managers who told me that when guests can't find *Nevada Magazine* in their room, they are really disappointed! You are putting out a great product.

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life in the desert

Dip your tennis shoes into Las Vegas' new Springs Preserve.

BY JOAN PATTERSON

Imagine stepping into a cave with desert pallid bats or standing on a platform while watching a flash flood barrel through a desert canyon that, in its final push, sprays your unsuspecting tennis-shoed feet better than any Disney ride.

It's all part of the experience at Las Vegas' newest cultural attraction called Springs Preserve—180 acres of desert gardens, hiking trails, amphitheaters, museums, and playgrounds aimed at educating the public about life in the desert and the history of a city that started long before “Bugsy” Siegel came to town.

Visitors can weave their way through eight acres of drought-tolerant botanical gardens with plants from around the world or visit the live-animal exhibits with critters such as a desert gray fox, cottontail rabbits, scorpions, sidewinder rattlesnakes, and bats hanging around

in their own cave. There's also a Nature Exchange, where children bring artifacts they have collected and trade them for one of hundreds of natural specimens, ranging from preserved butterflies to fossils.

“The preserve has something that appeals to everyone: boys, girls, and adults. And you can see the history there,” says Dana Wallace of Las Vegas, who took her two children, ages four and seven, to the preserve on opening day. “What I really like is the Nature Exchange because it's so unusual, and there are so many things to choose from.”

The preserve—the site where Las Vegas' original inhabitants, including Paiute Indians, Spanish traders, and Mormon missionaries, settled because of the natural springs that once flowed in the area—also sheds light on the city's human history. Guests can wander through a replica Native American village strewn with huts made from bent willow branches and tethered arrowweed.



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The Desert Living Center includes buildings constructed of “green” materials, such as straw bales, packed earth, and recycled steel and wood. Demonstration areas are devoted to reusable energy and conservation. The preserve, which uses 2.4 acres of solar panels and recycles its own water, is receiving national recognition for its building techniques and eventually will be able to produce most of its own energy, says Jesse Davis, marketing and public relations manager for the attraction.

Anything but stuffy, the preserve also boasts an IMAX-style theater, which shows *Miracle in the Mojave*, and the New Frontier gallery with dozens of

educational video games. Kids like the 14,000-square-foot playground with a giant falcon perched on the surrounding faux canyon walls and a 50-foot rattlesnake to climb on.

Children and adults alike will be thrilled by the Flash Flood Experience—a seemingly innocuous slice of desert is pounded by real rushing waters.

Plans include a spring and fall concert series for the outdoor theater (Jewel played at the grand opening in June) and, of course, what would a Vegas attraction be without a Wolfgang Puck restaurant?

“What’s really hard to convey is just how fun this is for visitors,” Davis says. “Everything is done so well in a fun and interactive manner. You just have to come see for yourself.”



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PHOTOS: RANDA BISHOP (1-3, TOP LEFT)



PHOTOS: BOB GOODMAN (TOP LEFT, TOP RIGHT)

3. PRICKLY PEAR IN BLOOM



Swan Song

Birders flock to Lemmon Valley's nature study area.

BY BOB GOODMAN

A floating boardwalk takes viewers 1,000 feet into the marsh at Lemmon Valley's Swan Lake Nature Study Area, where more than 150 species of birds have been recorded over any given year in and around the wetland and adjacent uplands near Reno.

Fall and winter viewing is especially rewarding, as tundra swans migrate here from November through early March. American avocets and black-necked stilts stop on their fall and spring migrations, key species that helped Swan Lake be recognized as an Important Bird Area by the Audubon Society.

The 900-acre area has a blind for viewing, signs with information on desert ecosystems, and hiking and biking trails. Managed by Washoe County Regional Parks and Open Space, Swan Lake is located at the end of Lear Boulevard in Lemmon Valley, 12 miles north of downtown Reno on U.S. 395. Take exit 74 and Military Road.

CONTACT

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A boardwalk takes birders into the marsh (top). Top left:
 A red-winged blackbird perches on a cattail stem.



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ghost walks

Visiting the hangouts of the state's spirited forbears

BY COURTNEY SHEETS



We enter into a land of shadow, of bizarre sight and sound, perhaps another dimension. No, this isn't *The Twilight Zone*. You've entered Nevada, the ghost-walk zone.

In glitzy Las Vegas, ghost hunters hope to catch a glimpse of the spirits of long-gone celebrities, such as Liberace at the piano or "Bugsy" Siegel roaming the Flamingo's gardens. In smaller towns you can take a tour or poke around on your own in search of Nevada's less famous spirits. Not surprisingly, as October rolls around interest in the paranormal peaks.

A two-and-a-half-hour haunted Vegas tour transports you by bus and walking tour to many spooky Sin City sites. One favorite stop is Carluccio's Tivoli Gardens Restaurant, located in the former home of Mr. Showmanship, Liberace. The Haunted Vegas Tours guide, Jac Hayden, is a licensed mortician. He points out the strange goings-on at the piano in the main dining room. Liberace might be back for one last encore, as the piano has been reported to play all by itself.



Stops on the tour include 1700 East Flamingo Avenue, where rapper Tupac Shakur was shot in 1996, and comedian Redd Foxx's house in North Las Vegas. Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel is said to visit the rose garden at the Flamingo, which he helped build in 1946. As they stroll the grounds, visitors hope to catch a glimpse of the gangster's spirit standing beside the plaque bearing his likeness.

On the Saturday before Halloween, Carson City residents and visitors follow the Kit Carson Trail Ghost Walk. Starting at the Nevada State Museum, the 90-minute walking tour takes you on a self-guided investigation through Carson's Victorian-era historic district. At each house docents in period costumes portray ghosts and entertain tour goers with anecdotes. Janet Jones, group

sales manager for the Carson City Convention and Visitors Bureau, says, "It's actually quite fun and humorous—not scary at all." The tour ends with a refreshing witch's brew at the Brewery Arts Center, which, according to Jones, has its own resident ghost in the theater.

Although no official ghost walks are available in Virginia City, that doesn't stop ghost hunters from materializing. Virginia City, 23 miles southeast of Reno on State Route 341, is home to the historic Piper's Opera House, the Washoe Club, the Silver Queen Hotel, and the city cemeteries, all sites that have been explored by paranormal aficionados. Piper's Opera House artistic director Bill Beeson has heard reports of a 19th-century-garbed woman sitting in the left-hand proscenium box.



Ghost hunters often wander the cemeteries in Virginia City in search of spirits. The Comstock graveyards are ornate, with marble headstones and intricate iron fences (above). Opposite page: Haunted Vegas Tours visit "Bugsy" Siegel's rose garden at the Flamingo (top). Docents in Victorian-era garb portray early residents during Carson City's Ghost Walk (bottom).

The opera house is open to viewers during the day and is a working performance space in the evening.

Becky J. Orr, tourism liaison for the Virginia City Visitors Center, says one night she was using the upstairs restroom in the 1860s-era Gold Hill Hotel, an area landmark that has 20 restored rooms, a dining room, bookstore, and bar.

"It was winter, and there were no guests on the floor," she relates. "I heard children running up and down the hall, giggling. I came out to tell them to settle down, and the hall was empty." Orr says such a spirited ruckus in the corridor is common.

The long-vacant Goldfield Hotel appeals to ghost hunters—and filmmakers. The hotel, 183 miles north of Las Vegas on U.S. 95, was featured in *Ghost Adventures*, a documentary by Zak Bagans and Nick Groff of Las Vegas. The film made its network premiere July 25 on the Sci Fi Channel. Bagans and Groff also investigated Virginia City's Old Washoe Club.

Built in 1908 by George Wingfield, the Goldfield Hotel has an aura of foreboding. Room 109 is commonly referred to as "The Vortex Room," and legend tells of a prostitute who died there. According to area tour guide Virginia Ridgway, who was interviewed in the film, the woman is said to be chained to a radiator. Ridgway also says she has seen a figure appear on the fourth floor.

The Stabber, a malevolent spirit who "attacks" people with a kitchen knife, is supposed to occupy the Gold Room, Ridgway says, but he has never truly harmed anyone.



Jac Hayden (above), a licensed mortician, leads the Haunted Vegas Tours. Bottom: The Goldfield Hotel opened in 1908.

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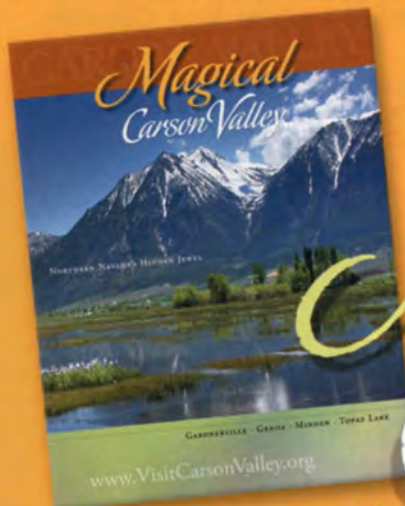
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Mileage: 61 miles from Reno to Fallon

Sites: Lahontan Reservoir (3), Sand Mountain (4), Fort Churchill State Historic Monument, Churchill County Museum, Grimes Point Archaeological Site

Details: What you choose to do depends upon your disposition. The Lahontan Reservoir is a large man-made lake suitable for everything from catching rays to catching bass to catching air on wakeboards. For sheer fun, visit Sand Mountain. Take a sandboard and surf down or ride a motorized toy—an ATV or motorcycle will do the trick—and feel the wind in your hair. For history buffs, Fort Churchill is a haunting reminder of a western cavalry outpost. The Churchill County Museum paints a vivid picture of life back when, as does the Grimes Point Archaeological Site.



Destinations: Austin, Eureka, and Ely

Mileage: 111 miles from Fallon to Austin; 70 from Austin to Eureka; 78 from Eureka to Ely

Sites: U.S. 50: the Loneliest Road in America (5), Austin, Toiyabe/Toiyabe/Hot Creek Mountain ranges, Eureka Sentinel Museum, Nevada Northern Railway Museum (2), East Ely Train Depot, Great Basin National Park (1), Lehman Caves

Details: For this adventure, bring mountain bikes, hiking shoes, and an appreciation of history. Spend Day 1 in Austin, a gathering place for cyclists and history buffs. The above mountain ranges will treat mountain bikers to zesty single-track shenanigans. On Day 2 visit Eureka, also known for history. The Eureka Sentinel Museum gives local press accounts of times gone by, plus press equipment used to produce the town paper of yore. On to Ely for Day 3 to the Nevada Northern Railway National Historic Landmark complex and to take a train ride behind one of the vintage steam locomotives. Transport yourself back in time and be the engineer of a 100-ton steam locomotive—rentals are available (for rates and times: nnry.com, 866-40STEAM). After that, head to Great Basin National Park and be mesmerized by Lehman Caves. You can hike to the ancient bristlecone grove, where trees that have existed since the time of the Egyptian pyramids defy the elements. Camp at 10,000 feet and, if you have an extra day, venture to the top of Wheeler Peak, which at 13,061 feet is the second-highest peak in Nevada.





Destinations: Caliente and Pioche

Mileage: 149 miles from Las Vegas to Caliente; 25 miles from Caliente to Pioche

Sites: Pahrangat Lakes Wildlife Refuge, Extraterrestrial Highway (State Route 375), Cathedral Gorge State Park **5**, Echo Canyon, Spring Valley State Park

Details: Visit Pahrangat Lakes Wildlife Refuge on U.S. 93 and then turn north for an extracurricular excursion on the Extraterrestrial Highway. Get gas and food in Rachel. Head back to Caliente to conclude Day 1. On Day 2 wander the geologic phenomena of Cathedral Gorge and Echo Canyon before arriving in Pioche. Skirt up to Spring Valley State Park to top off the day.

Destination: Boulder City

Mileage: 23 miles from Las Vegas to Boulder City

Sites: Raft down the Colorado River **3**, Boulder City Historic District, Hoover Dam and Museum

Details: Arrive Day 1 and make your way to the mighty Colorado for a one-day rafting trip. On Day 2 see what it took to build the modern-day Seventh Wonder of the World with a visit to the Boulder City Historic District, the Hoover Dam Museum, and the dam itself.

Scenic Byway: The Las Vegas Strip is a national scenic byway and has been designated an All-American Road by night and day.

Destination: Wells

Mileage: 51 miles from Elko to Wells

Sites: Wells, Angel Lake **2**, Jackpot, Lamoille **1**

Details: On Day 1, make tracks for Wells from Elko, via Interstate 80, and take the 12-mile jaunt to beautiful Angel Lake surrounded by the striking Humboldt Range. Take U.S. 93 67 miles north to Jackpot for big lights, bright games, and marquee names. On Day 2, head south from Elko on State Route 227 to Lamoille, the jumping-off spot for Lamoille Canyon and the Ruby Mountains. This small, picturesque ranching community is worth a visit all by itself.

Scenic Byway: Angel Lake Scenic Byway. State Route 231 winds upward through sagebrush and quaking aspen to an alpine lake at 8,400 feet. Road closed during the winter months.





Destination: Mount Charleston

Mileage: 34 miles from Las Vegas to Mount Charleston

Sites: Red Rock 4, Spring Mountain Ranch State Park, Mount Charleston 6

Details: Start early for a hike in Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area on State Route 159. Bring a camera, water, and sun protection. Enjoy a picnic lunch at Spring Mountain Ranch State Park, then make way for mighty Mount Charleston, all 11,915 feet of it. Enjoy the views, then head downhill for dinner.

Scenic Byway: Three state highways, Lee Canyon Road (State Route 156), Deer Creek Road (State Route 158, connects state routes 156 and 157) and a portion of Kyle Canyon Road (State Route 157) link U.S. 95 with the majestic Mount Charleston.





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off-road bliss

Nevada's public lands have trails galore for four-wheeling fanatics

BY MATTHEW B. BROWN

LAS VEGAS RESIDENTS GARY CLINARD AND HIS WIFE, SALLIE, have been avid all-terrain vehicle riders for 17 years. They have traversed much of the Western United States and seven foreign countries on four wheels, but they still consider Nevada the land of off-road bliss.

"While most of Nevada lacks the thick forests found in some places, it probably provides the most access to public land," Gary says.

The Clinards, who founded Vegas' Dunes and Trails ATV Club, would know. Along with four friends, they recently completed a six-day, 640-mile round trip from Pioche to Jackpot on their ATVs—with no support vehicle. The group camped overnight and stayed in motels in Ely, Lund, Preston, and Wells.

Sure, the six friends covered a lot of real estate, but their excursion represents the tip of the sand dune when it comes to ATVing in Nevada. And, depending on where you ride, you might think you're the only one who knows Nevada's dirty little "secret." "Outside of the towns, we saw only one person in the entire six days of riding," Gary boasts with a dusting of wide-open-Nevada pride.

Following is information on a few of Nevada's highly regarded ATV areas. The ATV is not your bag? No problem. There are hiking, biking, horseback, motorcycle, and 4x4 trails aplenty.

Elko's "Gems"

In June, the Elko Convention and Visitors Authority introduced the "Gem of Nevada Trails System," three trails that surround Elko, a northeastern Nevada town off Interstate 80. The off-highway vehicle trail system was made official after the convention authority, Bureau of



Land Management, USDA Forest Service, and local groups teamed for years to mark each trail with kiosks containing maps, global positioning system locations, and information regarding trail usage.

One of the areas is the Merritt Mountain/Sunflower Flat route about 80 miles north of Elko starting at Wild Horse Reservoir off State Route 225. From Gold Creek Road, riders weave through Sunflower Flat before an ascent into the aspens and pines that grow around Telephone Creek. You can stop at the mining ghost towns of Patsville and Rio Tinto, then climb Merritt Mountain, elevation 8,789 feet.

A Polaris Ranger ATV navigates one of several public trails north of Elko (opposite page). Above, a youngster is pulled on a sled at the Winnemucca sand dunes.



Riders are rewarded with a stunning view of the surrounding mountains before finishing the 68-mile trail.

The second route is centered around Spruce Mountain, located 37 miles south of Wells (50 miles east of Elko) off U.S. 93. Access is seasonal, as the trail starts at the desert floor and rises to more than 10,000 feet. Off-roaders pass the mining ghost town of Spruce Mountain and its abandoned structures and equipment.

If you're looking for a nonmotorized-use trail and

would rather not stray too far from the city limits, the Hamilton/Bullion route begins three miles outside of Elko—south of Bullion Road between Elko and South Fork State Recreation Area. Accessible to horses, hikers, and mountain bikers, the trail passes by the old Oil Shale Mine and offers panoramic views of Elko and South Fork Reservoir.

In May, Elko hosted its third annual ATV Jamboree, featuring trail-riding tours and a parade and rodeo.

TREAD LIGHTLY

Remember to stay on designated roads and trails, camp where it's allowed, and practice the Leave No Trace principles (visit Int.org for more information).



ATVs take a rest during a day of off-roading on the Merritt Mountain/Sunflower Flat trail system north of Elko (top). Nevada's public lands are just as tempting on two wheels. At left, motorcyclists ride around Peavine Peak northwest of Reno.

PHOTOS: CHARLIE EKBURG (TOP), SCOTT SADY (LEFT)

"Silver" Lining

The Silver State Trail, a nationally designated, protected, and funded OHV route, became official in late 2004 when the Lincoln County Public Lands Bill was passed. The trail system covers approximately 260 miles round trip from Caliente Summit on the south end to Mount Grafton on the north. Three trailheads are located near the Chief Mountain Area, two of which are located off U.S. 93 at mile markers 77 and 85. The towns of Caliente, Panaca, and Pioche are close to the trail.

The route was created for leisurely, family-oriented ATV riding, says Cory Lytle, a Lincoln County resident who worked with the BLM to write the management plan. "The difficulty on the trail is quite mild," Lytle says. "It's basically a scenic OHV trail." Lytle notes that riders will cross various high-desert landscapes and can camp at the trailheads.

The Clinards, who also worked with the BLM to select a route and provide GPS information, were instrumental in getting the public lands bill passed. In conjunction with the Dunes and Trails Club, the Clinards are coordinating with the BLM to establish more campgrounds and trailheads on the route. Outside of the hard work, the Clinards make time for play on their ATVs. A majority of that playtime is on Lincoln

County trails. "We visit decaying ghost towns, old stone and brick kilns, played-out mines, forgotten cemeteries, corrals built long ago of stone, and Native American art sites," Gary says.

Gary also points to the rock formations, fossils, hidden springs, surprising oases, and great vistas as reasons to ride in Lincoln County. It's also possible to spot wild horses, turkeys, elk, deer, and antelope along the way, and Gary adds that most Lincoln County towns welcome ATV riders.



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Silver State Trail Project
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The River Mountains viewpoint (left), north of Boulder City, is another place ATVers can play in the Nevada dirt.

WORTH A TREK

Sand Mountain

Location: East of Fallon off U.S. 50 (Sand Mountain Recreation Area)

What: 5,000 acres of trails near one of the highest dunes in the United States.

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Logandale Trails System

Location: North of Las Vegas off I-15, exit 93

What: You'll be sold once you view the Valley of Fire's red sandstone.

Contact: Las Vegas Field Office (BLM); 702-515-5000

Nellis Dunes

Location: North of Las Vegas off I-15, exit 58

What: All the sand you can ride on, 15 minutes from the Strip.

Contact: Las Vegas Field Office (BLM); 702-515-5000

Black Rock/High Rock

Location: Northeast of Gerlach
What: 800 miles of designated trails (dunes are off limits to motorized travel).

Contact: Friends of Black Rock/High Rock; blackrockfriends.org; 775-557-2900

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You can't beat Nevada for wide-open adventure

BY CHARLIE JOHNSTON

Motorcycle riders can find the freedom of the open road in Nevada. Three of the Silver State's top rides include the following popular routes in Southern Nevada. While most visitors think of Las Vegas as the place to hit the tables, it's also a place to hit the road—and experience Vegas's real wild side.

Red Rock Canyon, 44 miles

Don't let the short distance of this trip fool you. Red Rock Canyon's scenery and proximity to Las Vegas make this little ride a big favorite.

Follow Charleston Boulevard until it turns into State Route 159 near the outskirts of town, about 10 miles from the Strip.

Follow 159 around the Red Rock Scenic Loop and south to Blue Diamond, 23 miles. A left on S.R. 160 will take you back to Las Vegas, 11 miles.

Valley of Fire State Park, 128 miles

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Valley of Fire



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Lincoln County

If the rides in this area were rated, they would get five stars, one for each of these five Lincoln County state parks: Kershaw-Ryan, Beaver Dam, Cathedral Gorge, Spring Valley, and Echo Canyon.

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Elko Area

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Mount Charleston, 87 miles

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From Las Vegas on U.S. 95, head north to Lee Canyon Road (S.R. 156), 30 miles. Follow Lee Canyon west up the mountain and turn left on Deer Creek Road (S.R. 158), 15 miles. After nine miles turn left on Kyle Canyon Road (S.R. 157) and follow it back to U.S. 95, 17 miles. From U.S. 95 it's 16 miles south back to Las Vegas.

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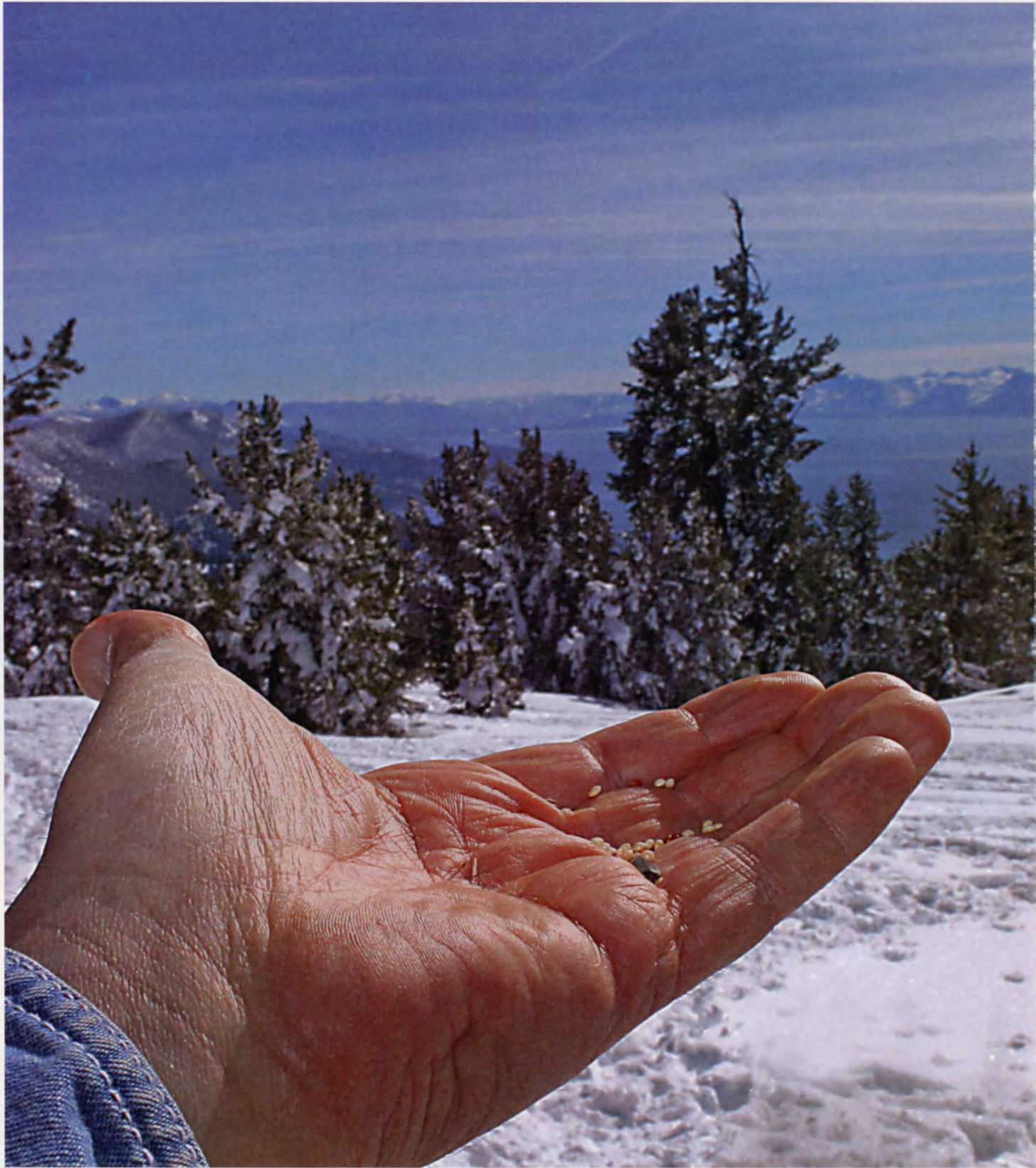
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GRAND PRIZE

Bill Kositzky

Location: Tahoe Meadows

RENO PHOTOGRAPHER BILL KOSITZKY and others call this nature getaway "chickadee point," for the friendly fliers that love landing on a palm dotted with birdseed. At a high point on the east side of State Route 431—about a half-hour hike on snowshoes—Kositzky worked his magic with his Canon Rebel XT's motor-drive feature. "My strategy was to get a bird in flight coming into my hand and show Lake Tahoe in the background," says Kositzky, who has made more than a dozen trips to the area.

TOURIST TIDBIT: The Sierra Club leads many Nevada outings, including a few to chickadee point. nevada.sierraclub.org



RUNNER-UP CITY LIMITS

Bill Kositzky

Location: Reno

The downtown Riverwalk's lights reflect on the Truckee River.

WINNER CITY LIMITS

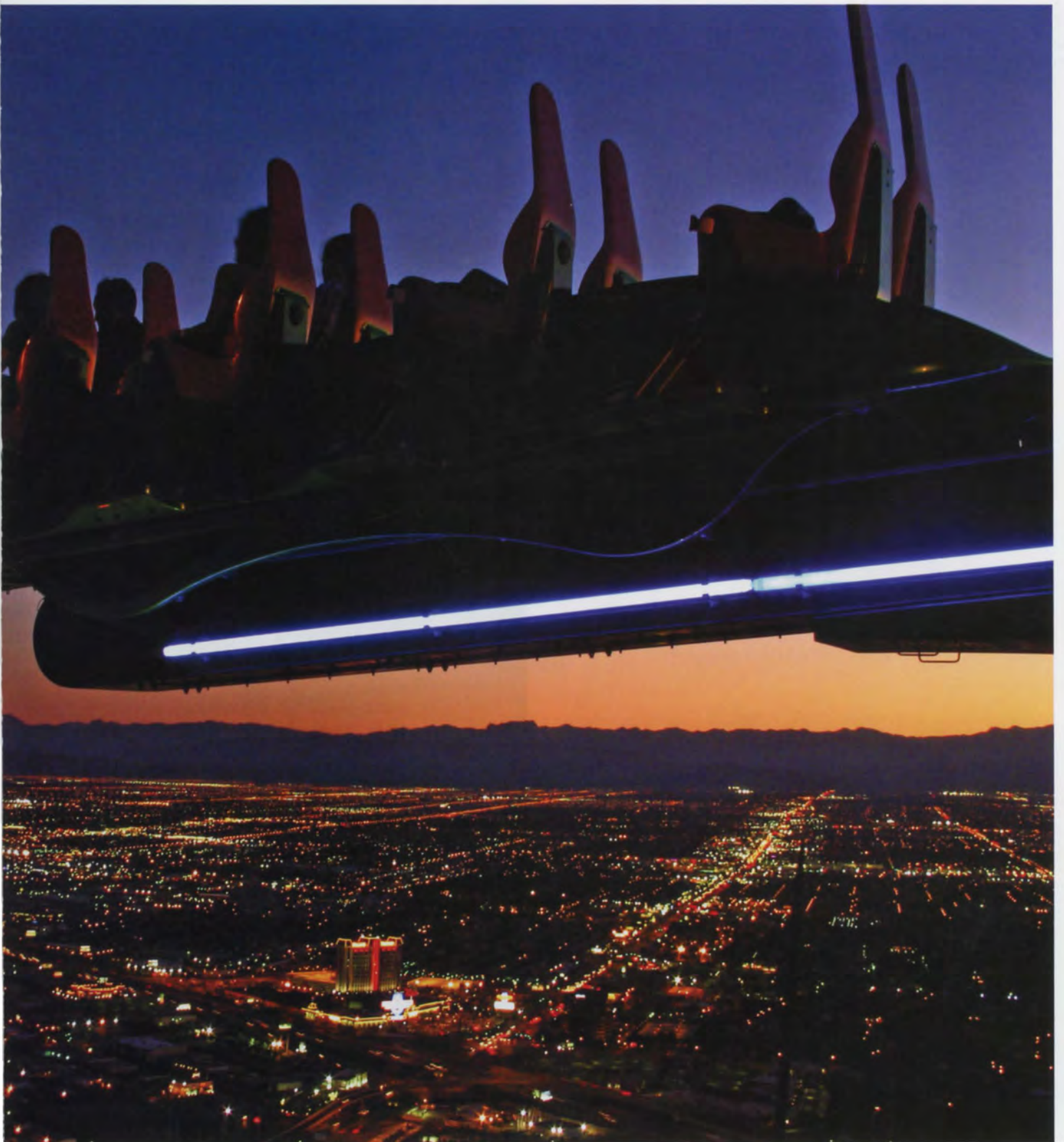
William Lane

Location: Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS PHOTOGRAPHER WILLIAM LANE ventured to the top of the Stratosphere Tower to capture screaming thrill-ride passengers. Lane decided against using the flash on his Canon G6 "so the beauty of the sunset and city lights would be emphasized while showing the people in their dark, precarious position far above the city," he says. Tripods are not allowed from this vantage point, so Lane's strategy was hands-on.

TOURIST TIDBIT: At more than 1,100 feet high, the Stratosphere offers three thrill rides—Big Shot, Insanity, and X-Scream. stratospherehotel.com







RUNNER-UP: WIDE OPEN

Larry Turner

Location: Near Vya

Rancher Bob Cockrell surveys the scene from Home Camp.

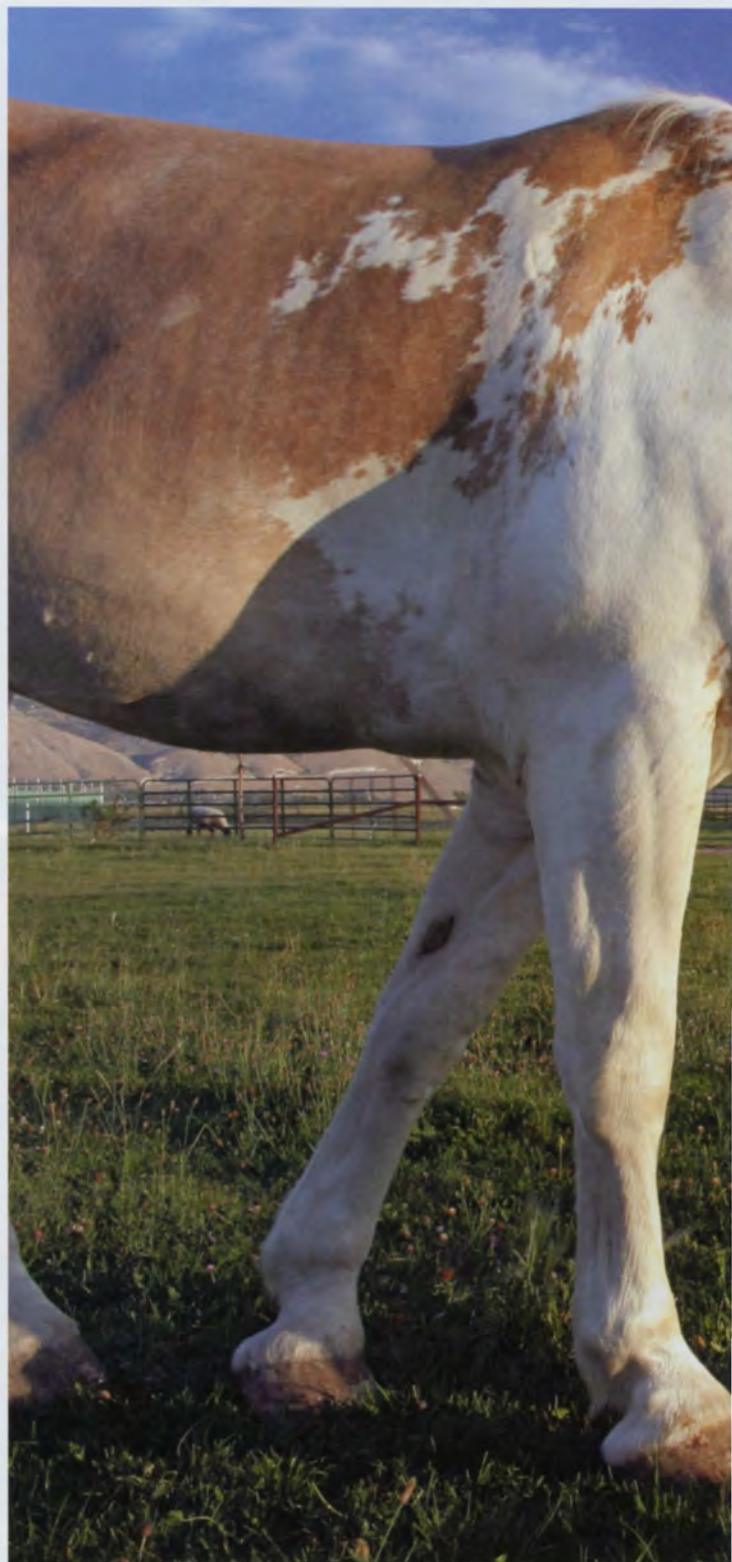
WINNER WIDE OPEN

Kippy S. Lanker

Location: Gardnerville

MINDEN PHOTOGRAPHER KIPPY LANKER woke up with the roosters to visit Andi VanBerkum's ranch off Highway 88. The blanket of clouds behind VanBerkum's horse, Royal, was the artist's prize for arriving at 5:30 a.m. and a tranquil contrast to the powerful Belgian-draft-mix gelding. "Despite being an emphatic animal lover, Roy's size intimidated me," says Lanker, who used a Canon Rebel XT. "I kept wanting to get closer, but his stomping on the ground reminded me to keep my distance."

TOURIST TIDBIT: Highway 88 travels south from Minden and is accessible from U.S. 395.







RUNNER-UP LIFESTYLE

Kenny Merlino

Location: Reese River Valley

Kenny Merlino's dog, Sam, barks at a mountain lion he treed in March.

WINNER LIFESTYLE

Martin Aguirre

Location: Pyramid Lake

RENO PHOTOGRAPHER MARTIN AGUIRRE set out to shoot the landmark pyramid-shaped rock formation on the east side of the lake at sunset. He left with an indelible image of his wife, Trish Doscher, that will live forever in family albums—and *Nevada Magazine*. To kill time, the couple took a swim. When Doscher surfaced, the watery arch created when she flung her hair back fascinated Aguirre. "Sometimes the best photos happen when you're looking for something else," says Aguirre, who totes a Canon EOS 20D.

TOURIST TIDBIT: State Route 446 and parts of SR 445 and 447 travel around the lake's southern end and make up a National Scenic Byway. plpt.nsn.us







RUNNER-UP: PEOPLE

Jim Galli

Location: Tonopah

Jesus Martinez during his 100th-birthday celebration.

WINNER PEOPLE

Randa Bishop

Location: Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS PHOTOGRAPHER RANDA BISHOP wanted to portray a piece of the area's earliest history and culture when she attended the 18th Snow Mountain Powwow at Las Vegas Paiute Indian Reservation. She spotted her friend, Fawn Douglas, who had given Bishop permission to photograph her previously. Bishop took this image of Douglas with her Canon EOS 5D just before the Grand Entry. "She has this wonderful, pensive look on her face," Bishop says about Douglas, a dancer and member of the Las Vegas Paiute Tribe.

TOURIST TIDBIT: The Snow Mountain Powwow is held annually on Memorial Day weekend off Highway 95. lvpaiute.com









RUNNER-UP EVENTS

Deanna Esplin
Location: Reno

A biplane rests at the Reno National Championship Air Races.

WINNER EVENTS

Kelly Haugh
Location: Boulder City

BOULDER CITY PHOTOGRAPHER KELLY HAUGH loves taking pictures, loves rodeo, and loves kids. Here, Haugh combined all three passions and used her Nikon D200 to illustrate 10-year-old Hayley Dalton-Estes' triumph in the Wrangler Junior Rodeo Association's goat-tying competition. Haugh says a recent shoulder surgery has slowed her hobby and made it more challenging to photograph her favorite action subject. "When you're shooting the bulls and broncs, you have to be able to get out of the way," Haugh says. "The closer you are, the better."

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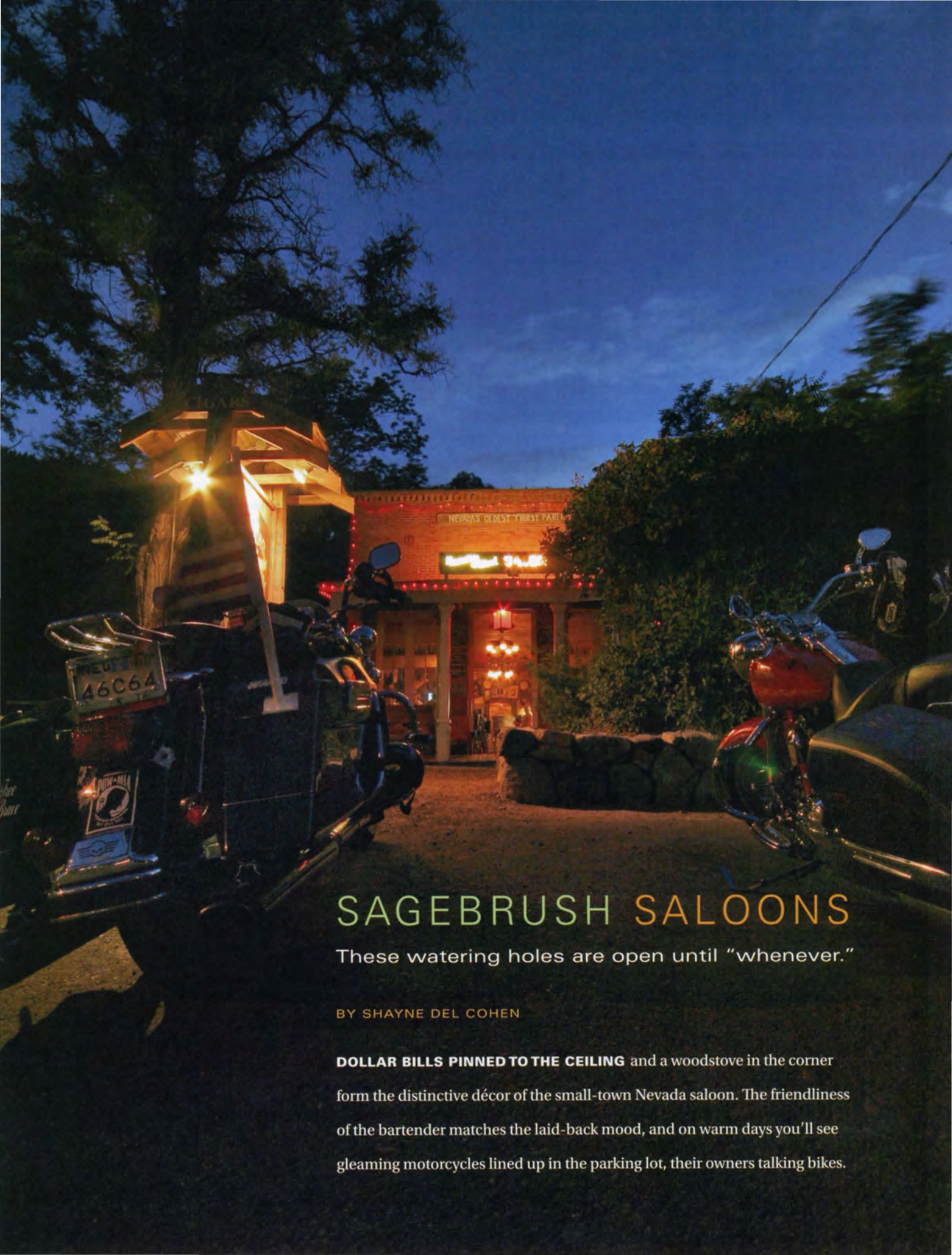
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SAGEBRUSH SALOONS

These watering holes are open until “whenever.”

BY SHAYNE DEL COHEN

DOLLAR BILLS PINNED TO THE CEILING and a woodstove in the corner form the distinctive décor of the small-town Nevada saloon. The friendliness of the bartender matches the laid-back mood, and on warm days you’ll see gleaming motorcycles lined up in the parking lot, their owners talking bikes.

“THERE IS NOT A LOT OF TRAFFIC, AND YOU CAN JUST SIT BACK AND LOOK AT THE SCENERY...” — XIAN ELSBREE

Nevada's back roads are dotted with such retro watering holes, or “sagebrush saloons.” Most are open from 10 a.m. until “whenever” and often serve as local gathering places. Bikers find them good spots to take breaks on their riding adventures.

A two-wheelers' favorite day trip from Lake Tahoe or the Reno-Sparks area is the ride to Genoa Bar, which owners Cindy and Willy Webb claim is Nevada's oldest.

“The ride down Jacks Valley Road has some nice curves and banks pretty well,” says Xian Elsbree, a blonde biker from Sparks. “There is not a lot of traffic, and you can just sit back and look at the scenery and feel the road. When you get to Genoa, everyone is very friendly. They are accustomed to seeing bikers and don't get up-tight about a big group or individual riders coming in. Being a woman rider, I don't feel like I ever have to worry about being there by myself.”

The Genoa Bar and Saloon—13 miles south of Carson City—is an informal repository of quirky artifacts, including Raquel Welch's bra and signed photo, donated during a movie shoot nearby. With a little coaxing, the bartender will tell the story of how Welch donated the leopard-print underwear.

Riding 137 miles east of Carson City on U.S. 50 through Fallon, past Sand Mountain and the Naval Air Station's fly zone, you'll find the intersection with State Route 361 and the Old Middlegate Station.

Like many sagebrush saloons, Middlegate Station is a treasure trove of objects. The restrooms are decorated with quips and western wisdom, and the ceiling is covered with signed dollar bills. Framed vintage newspapers and trash art made from old keys and horseshoes hang on the walls.

Middlegate is a magnet for locals and is easily accessible from U.S. 50, which follows portions of the same route as the 1860s-era Overland Stage and the Pony Express. In fact, Middlegate served as a Pony Express changing station and is still a beacon for travelers. Food and conversation are provided by owner Freda Stevenson.

A 63-mile drive south on S.R. 361 takes you to the intersection with U.S. 95. Turn south for 10 miles and you'll find Mina, a tiny former railroad town. The Mina Bar is owned by Willie Wolfe, a human encyclopedia of local history. He coaches and hosts the “Dart Ladies,” Mina women who have honed their dart-throwing skills at his bar. Visitors are welcome to play but should not expect to win.

Residents of many sagebrush saloon communities stop by at least once a week to exchange information. One such regular of Dayton's Wild Horse Saloon and Gold Canyon Steakhouse was JohnD Winters, a fourth-generation Nevadan who died in March at the age of 97. JohnD's wife, Kay, recalls the political campaigns waged there: A candidate would arrive, buy the house a round, deliver some oratory, and drive off to cheers by bar patrons.

Owner Bonnie Stryker says the establishment is the former End of the Trail, operated by the Giometti family for more than 60 years. Beyond the restored barroom is an elegant dining area with lace curtains and polished chandeliers. In the evening, the clinking of glass and silverware competes with a cacophony from the saloon patrons. But a quiet afternoon provides Sutra, the bar dog, the opportunity for a nap.

Or a pat from a newfound friend on two wheels.



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Lights shine brightly inside and outside the Genoa Bar on a sultry summer evening (opposite page). The saloon is a favorite stop for bikers. Above, riders pull into Old Middlegate Station for a cold one.



dining on the road

Is it time to get out of your RV's hot kitchen?



After a long stretch on the highway, even the most dedicated RVers get tired of their own cooking. When you're out and about in Nevada, that's not a problem—at many rural restaurants you can dine on steak accompanied by home-baked bread, then top off your meal with a chocolate velvet torte. Following are RV-friendly eateries you might want to try.



PHOTOS: GARY A. REESE (TOP), SUSANNE REESE (BOTTOM LEFT)

WINDMILL RESTAURANT, ALAMO

Ninety miles north of Las Vegas in the heart of the Pahrangat Valley sits a cluster of log cabins and a windmill, which lends its name to Windmill Ridge. Kris Higbee and Kim Turley bake bread daily for their Windmill Restaurant, where breakfast features omelets, pancakes, and sausage and gravy, and dinner ranges from grilled chicken breast to Italian sausage pasta.

"Guests enjoy the flat-iron steaks," Higbee says, "and the homemade pasta sauce. What makes us unique is that nothing comes out of a box. At lunch, people just love our cheeseburgers and the sandwich we created with our own special sauce on homemade bread."

You can buy slices of cake—or take a whole one back to the RV—along with cookies, sweet rolls, and pie. Higbee and Turley recently completed a deck where diners can eat their meals outdoors.

Windmill Restaurant is closed Sunday. Rooms and cabins are available for travelers looking for lodging as well as food. Two miles north of Alamo off U.S. 93, Windmill Ridge is located at 93 Windmill Circle. (866-383-6759, wind-mill-ridge.com) —JOYCE HOLLISTER

WRANGLER STEAKHOUSE, DEATH VALLEY

For those finishing a game of golf, simply passing through, or wanting to escape the sweltering heat, the Wrangler Steakhouse at Furnace Creek offers shelter from the fierce Death Valley sunshine. The restaurant

features all-you-can-eat breakfast and lunch buffets, while the evening is reserved for a fine-dining steakhouse. Lighting is soft on ranch-style tables and booths that are within sight of the chef's cooking station. The menu includes lamb chops, seafood, pork chops, and steaks. One of the most popular items is an eight-ounce filet mignon, served with green beans and a baked potato. Divine Fudge Lava Cake, Key Lime Pie, and assorted sherbets top the dessert list.

Campers are welcome at both Furnace Creek and Stovepipe Wells campgrounds, where full hook-ups are available. Wrangler Steakhouse, 26 miles from Stovepipe Wells via California State Route 190 at Furnace Creek Ranch, is open daily for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. (furnacecreekresort.com, 760-786-2345)

—AUDREY GREENE

RITA'S CAFÉ, BEATTY

The Stagecoach in Beatty is a Western-themed hotel-casino that is home to Rita's Café, a Romanesque-style restaurant. Blue-domed ceilings and airy cloud murals are a surprise for travelers on U.S. 95. Among the breakfast specials is the Hungry Man Skillet, a plate full of home fries, peppers, onions, two eggs, biscuits and gravy, and a choice of ham, sausage, or bacon. The lunch and dinner menu features burgers, sandwiches, and steaks. For dessert, there is chocolate layer cake or decadent fruit pie.

For those who want more sweets, Death Valley Nut and Candy Co. offers homemade ice cream at a reasonable \$1.50 per scoop. It's located across the casino's parking lot, past a rose garden that would make grandma envious.

Rita's Café, 900 East U.S. 95 North, is open 24 hours daily. The Space Station RV Park is less than one-half mile south of the hotel-casino. (775-553-2419)

—AUDREY GREENE



Larry Turner smiles over a trio of picon punches at the **Winnemucca Hotel** (left). Opposite page: **The Windmill Restaurant's** dining room and bakery (top) and loaves of bread (bottom left). **Wrangler Steakhouse** (bottom right).



The Star Hotel in Elko

JACKS' RESTAURANT, AMARGOSA VALLEY

Travelers stopping at the Longstreet Inn in Amargosa are surprised at the view from Jacks' Restaurant. Greenery, a waterfall, and duck ponds are unexpected sights in this arid valley.

The menu includes hot and cold sandwiches, salads, pizza, steaks, and specialty hamburgers, such as those served with mushrooms or green chilies. The Western Burger comes with bacon, cheddar cheese, and barbecue sauce and can be paired with an ice cream sundae.

To work off the calories, the Longstreet offers karaoke on Friday and a band on Saturday. Longstreet's 51-space RV resort is a convenient stop to and from Death Valley. Jacks' Restaurant will open September 15 for the winter season. The Longstreet is located along S.R. 373, 10 miles east of Death Valley Junction. (longstreetcasino.com, 775-372-1777)

—AUDREY GREENE

LAKEVIEW RESTAURANT, TOPAZ LAKE

The Lakeview Restaurant, located in the Topaz Lodge south of Gardnerville, offers views of the lake and the

Sierra Nevada range. The lodge draws visitors with its annual fishing derby, boating, and other water sports.

The refurbished Lakeview Restaurant's décor includes lake and lodge accents and a collection of Western mini-wagons by Dale Ford. The menu is a seafarer's dream with entrées such as fire-roasted salmon and seared rainbow trout. Other dishes include sandwiches, burgers, barbecued ribs, and lasagna. On Friday there's an all-you-can-eat seafood buffet. For desserts you have a choice of pies and cakes, including the lodge's popular banana split cake.

Bands play Friday and Saturday evenings. For travelers, the RV resort offers 55 full-service spaces, most with a lake view. Topaz Lodge, located 38 miles south of Carson City on U.S. 395, is open 24 hours and has a full-service casino. (topazlodge.com, 775-266-3338)

—AUDREY GREENE

HEYDAY INN, WELLINGTON

If walls could talk, as they say, the two-story wooden structure known as the Heyday Inn would give you a western Nevada history lesson. Built about 1875, the inn was known as Pierce Station, a grocery store, hotel, stage stop, and a feed store. In 1903 it changed hands and became W.E. Reading General Merchandise. The building was turned into a bar and restaurant and renamed Heyday Inn in 1945.

Though the interior has changed, its popularity in Wellington has not. Locals and travelers often share a drink at the bar, which is decorated by a carved and mirrored back bar that came from a Montana saloon, says owner Ellie Bohlin. She and her husband, Bill, operate the Heyday from Wednesday to Saturday.

Historic photos line the walls of the dining room, where patrons can lunch on sandwiches, burgers, and salads. Dinner is a gourmet affair, with lobster, calamari, chicken or lamb in garlic sauce, paella, and, naturally, Beef Wellington.

The Heyday Inn is located on the Wellington Cutoff on S.R. 208, 46 miles south and east of Gardnerville (heydayinn.com, 775-465-2424). You can park the RV at the Wellington Station Resort. (wellingtonstationresort.com, 775-465-2314)

—JOYCE HOLLISTER



Giuseppe "Joe"
Dini at Dini's
Lucky Club.

DINI'S LUCKY CLUB, YERINGTON

Another historic Nevada establishment is Dini's, which will celebrate its 75th anniversary under the ownership of the Dini family in Yerington in October 2008. In 1933 Giuseppe "Joe" Dini opened the Wooden Shoe Club, soon after changed to Dini's Lucky Club. He moved the saloon into the former Bank Bar in 1938. His son, Joe Dini Jr., purchased the business from his parents in 1960. Joe Jr. served in the Nevada Assembly for 36 years, retiring in 2002. Dini's is now managed by his sons, Jay and George.

Although Dini's motto is "We Love Our Locals," travelers will find the coffee shop welcoming for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, opening at 6 a.m. daily. Dinner buffets start Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday at 5 p.m. Giuseppe's Steak House has fine dining Friday and Saturday, serving steaks, prime rib, king crab legs, and, in the true Italian tradition, fettuccini and ravioli, with spumoni for dessert.

Dini's Lucky Club is at 45 Main Street, Yerington. (dinisluckyclub.net, 775-463-2868). For RV parks in Yerington, visit travelnevada.com. —JOYCE HOLLISTER

STAR HOTEL, ELKO

If you're 21 or older, try a famous picon punch before dinner, but don't drink too much because you need to save as much stomach room as possible if you want the true Basque family-style dinner experience. At Elko's Star Hotel, you can order a chicken, steak, or seafood entrée—just know that the main course includes homemade soup, salad, French bread, Basque beans, spaghetti, cooked vegetables, French fries, and wine, coffee, or tea.

This is Basque culture up close and personal, and one of the few places in the country you can stroll up to the bar and hear old-timers speaking their traditional language, especially during events like Elko's annual Basque Festival, held in July. Almost 100 years old, the hotel was originally built as a winter refuge for Basque sheepherders. You can find the Star at 246 Silver Street. (775-738-9925)

Travelers have many overnight options around Elko, off I-80. Visit elkocva.com or call 775-738-4091.

—MATTHEW B. BROWN

WINNEMUCCA AND MARTIN HOTELS, WINNEMUCCA

Due to its association with the Basque sheepherders who played a prominent role in the settlement of northeastern Nevada, the Winnemucca Hotel was named to the National Register of Historic Places in 2005. More than 150 years old, the hotel was once a hub for Basque immigrants at the turn of the 20th century.

Even if the hotel lacks modern curb appeal, it makes up for it in a big way—with its rich history and generous servings (see Star Hotel for family-style specifics). Winnemucca Hotel is located at 95 South Bridge Street (winnemucca.nv.us, 775-623-2908).

Also worth a try is the Martin Hotel at Railroad and Melarkey streets—not quite as historic as the older hotel, but you'll get the same family-style Basque welcome. (775-623-3197)

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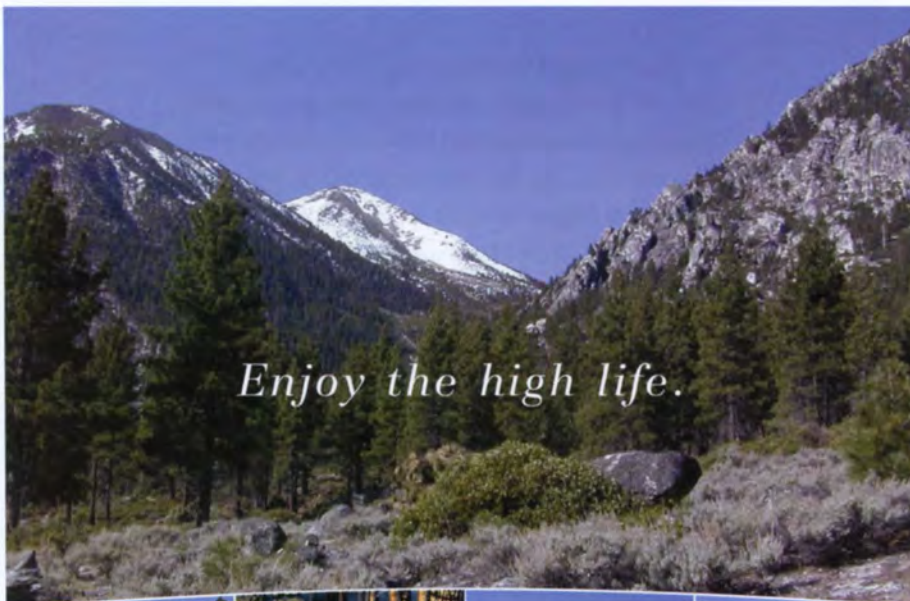
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BY ROGER NAYLOR

WHEN WRITING ABOUT PEOPLE'S PASSIONS I respond to their exuberance and get swept along by their fizzy glee. Knowing this, when I set out to learn more about Nevada's luxury motor home lifestyle, my wife issued the following warning: "Do not buy an RV!"

No problem. After all, I'm a veteran backpacker. Why spend money on a big-wheeled bedroom when sleeping on the ground suits me fine?

Then I saw Basecamp made by Airstream. It was love at first sight.

Basecamp, Airstream's smallest travel trailer, merges lean function and swaggering style. It's a versatile space with gear-toting capacity housed inside a swooping aluminum shell. Featuring



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a single burner cook-top, stainless steel sink with cover, fold-up beds, and an optional Kelty tent to expand the living area, Basecamp isn't plush enough to make me feel like I've gone soft. It's fashionably comfortable and sufficiently lightweight to be towed by most passenger cars, and it requires almost no pre-road prep. I could imagine the shimmering beast poised in my driveway, aquiver for adventure in the desert or the High Sierra.

While evocative of a bygone era with their classic retro vibe, Airstreams keep rolling forward. New product lines, such as the International CCD created by famed designer Christopher Deam, have lured a younger generation into the mobile lifestyle.

"There was a time when nobody under 60 walked through the doors," says Steve Van Hoose of Pat Clark Custom Haulers & Trailers in Las Vegas. "Now it's mostly people in their 30s, young parents who want to take some time off before their kids start school to get out and travel. They appreciate the quality of Airstreams."

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Basecamp packs a lot into a small space (this page and opposite page).



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I toured the Classic, admiring its uncluttered

airiness. Hickory cabinets are offset by a Corian galley top with backsplash. A quilted bedspread and shams engulf the queen-sized bed. I don't have shams in my own bedroom. It suddenly occurred to me that people in campgrounds are living a more luxurious existence than I do at my house.

While RVs undergo stylistic and hipness makeovers, nothing has revolutionized the industry like the surging popularity of toy haulers. These are motor homes or travel trailers with extra cargo space to tote all manner of ATVs, motorcycles, sand rails—perfect for active families or people who simply can't stand to be parted from their garages.

The Jayco Recon ZX, for example, with a 96-inch-wide loading ramp, is a quad-swallowing monster without sacrificing





comfort. Tie-downs are rated at 2,500 pounds, same as the ramp. Bunk beds power up to the ceiling at the touch of a button. Three slide-outs expand the living quarters to sleep a horde. After a long day of churning through the dunes, you can relax with a complete AM/FM/CD/DVD system that's iPod ready.

"Toy haulers have their own generators and fuel-dispensing stations, so you're not limited to sites with hookups," says Pat Maloney, manager of Johnnie Walker RVs in Las Vegas. "They also carry up to 150 gallons of fresh water. They're designed for families to head to the boondocks where they can keep the toys gassed up and the kids showered without problems."

For Las Vegas resident Bette Leal, as for most RV owners, it's all about freedom. She and her husband take their Airstream International CCD out once a month to favorite spots like Mesquite, Pahrump, Great Basin National Park, and Echo Canyon State Park.

"When you want to turn a corner, you can turn a corner," Leal says. "You don't have to worry because you're pulling everything you need behind you. You have such immediate access to the open road."

I'll need it. When my wife discovers I put a down payment on a Basecamp, I'd better be out of town.

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Q&A

with Guy Louis Rocha

Nevada archivist believes the truth matters

Nevada State Archivist Guy Louis Rocha is passionate about uncovering the truth. In addition to his two books and many articles and book reviews, Rocha has written the “Historical Myth a Month” column for the *Sierra Sage* for 11 years—the column appears on the Nevada State Library and Archives Web site, nevadaculture.org—and his biweekly myth-busting column has appeared in the *Reno Gazette-Journal* since 2000. Rocha is in his sixth year as a rotating host for the “High Desert Forum” on KUNR 88.7 FM, Reno’s National Public Radio station.

California born, Rocha grew up in Las Vegas and graduated from Clark County schools. He earned a bachelor’s degree from Syracuse University in New York and a master’s degree from San Diego State University and did post-graduate study at the University of Nevada, Reno. In July, he received the 2007 Award of Merit for Leadership in History by the American Association for State and Local History. Rocha spoke with *Nevada Magazine* editor Joyce Hollister at his Carson City office in June.

Q What drew you to Northern Nevada?

A I first encountered Reno in 1968 as a high school athlete competing in the state championship in cross country and in ‘69 in wrestling. I thought, “This is beautiful. This is very nice, and maybe someday I’ll live here.”

I started work with the Nevada Historical Society in Reno in December 1976. The state archives position opened up, and I was appointed to that position on February 2, 1981. In 1992 I came to Carson City and found it very, very delightful.

Q What does an archivist do?

A As the State Archivist, I’m responsible for managing the state’s archival—historically valuable records—dating back to as early as 1851 but as recently as the last governor’s administration. Today’s records will be tomorrow’s archival records. My job is to see that agencies, officials, and others are transferring their records to the State Archives to ensure that people who do research later will know what earlier people did and why they did it, which can run the gamut of scholars wanting to do research to citizens doing

background on their land or water rights or family history. We have records of all three branches of government: legislative, judicial, executive.

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Q Why are the archives important?

A The point is, if you don't have the records, how do you prove your case? Where are the facts? Where is the evidence? We maintain that institutional memory, that evidentiary history of Nevada. If it's not there, you have what I call institutional Alzheimer's. People who look for answers to their questions can't find them. Perhaps ultimately decisions will be made by people without the documentary evidence. Another aspect is accountability. You keep records to ensure what people claim happened in the past did happen.

Q You're known as the "myth buster." Why?

A I try to show the value of the record as evidence and demonstrate that what many people believe to be true is generally not true.

Generations of students believe that Nevada's Capitol dome originally was made of silver [it's now fiberglass]. The truth is, we had a tin-covered steel dome.

I was on a tour bus with a group, and the tour bus driver was on his microphone. We slowed down in front of the Capitol, and he said, "See that dome? That dome is made of silver." The tourists oohed and ahed. When we stopped, I said, "You know that's not true."

He looked at me, and he said, "Really." I said, "Really." He said, "It doesn't matter. They're just tourists from Modesto."

What I do as an archivist is show that you can be an informed consumer and not be easily manipulated by people, particularly powerful ones. How might we hold them accountable? Because we've got the records. Ultimately, I believe the truth matters.

Q What are some of the challenges for today's historians?

A The World Wide Web is one. It is an unregulated, unvetted venue. Anybody can post a Web site. I could put up quotes from Mark Twain that are not quotes from Mark Twain, and I could get a thousand hits. Then people would say, "Mark Twain said so-and-so. I found a thousand hits." I say, "It was wrong a thousand times."

Q Have you always loved history?

A When I was in second or third grade a family across the street threw out books, and a lot of them were history books. I took them home. I always had a questioning mind, an inquisitive mind, and so from an early age not only did I read the books but as soon as I could go places and had a car, I would go to mining ghost towns.

Q What did you find?

A What I found was Nevada wasn't like TV westerns. This wasn't *Bonanza*. I watched *Bonanza* as a kid. I enjoyed *Bonanza*, but much of what *Bonanza's* about is an invented past. Entertaining, yes, and I still look back nostalgically on Michael Landon, Lorne Greene, Dan Blocker, and Pernell Roberts. But I want-

ed to know the real Nevada. What was it like to be an underground miner? Oh, boy, it was a tough, tough life. Generally you didn't get through your full life.

Q What are your interests outside of your profession?

A I play a competitive brand of slow-pitch softball. I've played all over the United States in national championships. I have my own production company and produce historical documentaries, including a Nevada state labor history series for the AFL-CIO. I work with A&E, PBS, The History Channel, MSNBC, and National Geographic Channel.

Q What are some of your favorite Nevada places?

A One place in Nevada I really like is Yerington. I would consider retiring in Yerington. Mason Valley has not been overrun yet. I call it Nevada's version of *Mayberry R.F.D.*

I visit Goldfield nostalgically. A lot of my writing has been about Goldfield. Sadly most of it's gone, burned in the 1923 fire. People are doing some good things in Austin. Eureka's done a good job with the opera house. Belmont has become a Nevadans' getaway.

Another place I like to visit is Boulder City. That dam city has essentially maintained its integrity. You go downtown, and there's a 1930s feel in the businesses and restaurants and the Boulder Dam Hotel and the museum. When I go to Boulder City, I feel like I've gotten in a time machine, and I look around, and this is the 1930s, and it's great.

For more of the interview with Guy Louis Rocha, visit nevadamagazine.com.



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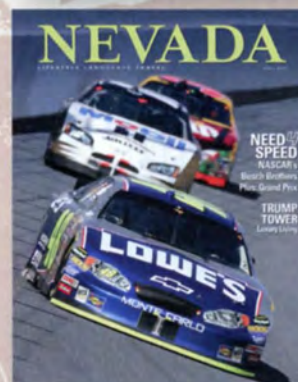
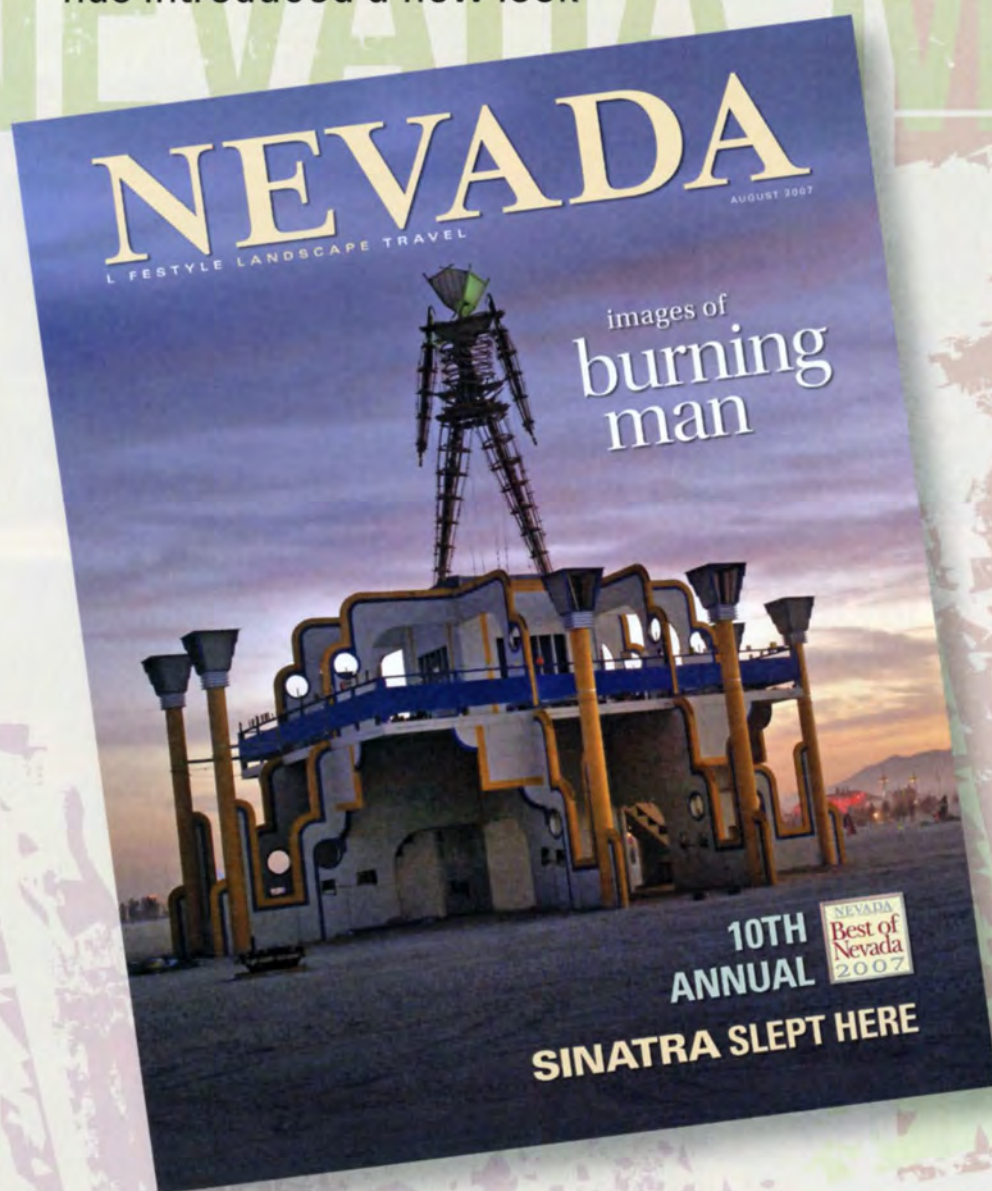
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■ Spanish Nights on the Lake, Sept. 14-15, Henderson

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
	3 ◀ Hearts O' Gold Fallon celebrates its cantaloupe festival & country fair Aug. 31-Sept. 2. 775-423-2544 fallontourism.com	4 The Bard Henderson's Shakespeare in the Park stages "Twelfth Night" Sept. 5-7. 702-267-2171 visithenderson.com
	10 ◀ Vegas Globe of Death Motorcycle daredevils race around a 14-foot sphere at 40 mph on Fri.-Sat. nights. 702-678-5600 vegaseperience.com	
	17 ◀ Thoroughly Fun George Thorogood & The Destroyers perform Sept. 21-22 at Reno's Silver Legacy. 800-MUST-SEE silverlegacy.com	18 Local Boys Perform The Killers, a Vegas band, headlines at Lake Tahoe's MontBleu Sept. 21. 775-588-3515 montbleuresort.com
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◀ Pro Volleyball ▶

Gods & Goddesses of the Beach battle Sept. 6-8 at Caesars Palace in Vegas.

avp.com

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From the Heart ▶

Rock band Heart performs Sept. 7 at Grand Sierra Resort in Reno.

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◀ Culture & Pooches ▶

Art Bark Animal & Wine Festival is Sept. 15-16 at Squaw Valley USA.

877-464-3364
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Performance History

Boulder City Chautauqua remembers Will Rogers & Scott Joplin Sept. 15.

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◀ Hispanic Festival ▶

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Def Leppard, Styx, & Foreigner rock Mandalay Bay Sept. 22 in Vegas.

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◀ Clarinet Concert ▶

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■ Comedian Wayne Brady, Venetian, Las Vegas

■ Lewis Black, MGM Grand, Las Vegas

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◀ Art in the Park

Boulder City's annual art event, Sept. 6-7, attracts 400 artists.

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◀ Highland Fling

Plaid is the dress code for the Reno Celtic Celebration Oct. 6-7.

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◀ Penn & Teller

The comedy duo recently marked their fifth anniversary at the Rio in Vegas.

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◀ Make Believe

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The PBR Bull Riders World Finals hit Vegas Nov. 1-4.

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◀ Nevada Ballet Theatre

The story of "Don Quixote" is told Oct. 5-7 in Vegas.

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◀ "O," My!

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HALLOWEEN



all you need is LOVE

The Beatles and Cirque du Soleil form a colorful Vegas combo

BY ANN HENDERSON

PAUL MCCARTNEY, RINGO STARR, and Yoko Ono-Lennon and Olivia Harrison, widows of John Lennon and George Harrison, gathered this summer to celebrate the first anniversary of "Love." The big-budget production at the Mirage in Las Vegas is the result of a marriage between the British phenomenon's music and the Canadian Cirque du Soleil.

The idea for "Love" grew from casual discussions in 2000 between George Harrison and Cirque founder Guy Laliberté, friends who shared a love of Formula One racing. Harrison died in 2001, but his dream debuted in June 2006 when Cirque

du Soleil took the best of the Beatles and created a showpiece.

"Love" is a spectacle of color and action that opens with "Because," then jumps to the loud, thumping "Get Back" and a pseudo-World War II bombing scene with crumbling bricks, debris, and destruction.

"Octopus's Garden" best captures the whimsy of a Beatles' arrangement and Cirque's imaginative costumes, lighting, and staging. Aerialists dressed to resemble jellyfish, octopuses, and other sea creatures hover over the performers on the ocean floor. It's hard to absorb it all.

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SHOW NOTES

"Love" appears twice nightly Thursday-Monday at the Mirage in Las Vegas. Show times are 7 and 10 p.m. Tickets cost \$165, \$137.50, \$108.90, and \$75.90, which includes tax; beverages extra. Producers remind showgoers that strobe lights are used during the performance. (cirquedusoleil.com, 702-792-7777)



of "Something," where a male performer vies for the attentions of four female aerialists flying in and out of his reach. "Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds" is a duet between aerialist Evelyn Lamontagne and the beefy Valerly Kharun. His character is a fireman who spins her around on a huge ladder as she performs backbreaking contortions.

"Help!" and "Revolution" receive classic Cirque extreme-sports treatment. Four in-line skaters fly across 11-foot vaulted ramps, passing within inches of each other. Close contact comes into play, too, for the trampoline sequence in "Revolution" that is launched off a centrally located phone booth.

Devotees of the Beatles, their music, and background can better appreciate the nuances of the production. "Love" moves from the post-war realities of "Glass Onion" to the psychedelic era of the 1960s and the bubble-blowing take on "Strawberry Fields."

"Love" is not just a series of scenes set to music. There is a story there, but sometimes it can be lost. The comedic treatment of "Blackbird" slows the pace and had some showgoers asking, "What was that all about?"

All is forgiven, however, during the finale, "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band." The theater-in-the-round is filled with gigantic fans, umbrellas, aerialists, and a cast of 75 colorfully costumed acrobats, dancers, actors, and athletes.

To finish the feel-good evening, the audience is asked to participate in the closing song. It's "Love," of course.

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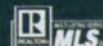
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The Doobie
Brothers,
Red Rock Station
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HEADLINERS

John Anderson, Sept. 8
Robert Cray, Sept. 21
Foghat, Oct. 12
Diane Schuur, Oct. 26
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stationcasinos.com

CAESARS PALACE

HEADLINERS

Luis Miguel, Sept. 14-16
Bette Midler opens in Feb.
866-227-5938
harrahs.com

ONGOING

Celine Dion in
"A New Day...,"
Aug. 29-Sept. 2, 5-9, 20
Appears thru Dec. 15
877-423-5463
celinedion.com
Elton John in
"The Red Piano,"
Oct. 16-20, 22, 25-27, 29-30,
Nov. 2-3, 5
888-4ELTONJ
ticketmaster.com

EXCALIBUR HOTEL

ONGOING

Tournament of Kings
Thunder From Down
Under, male revue
Louie Anderson
Dick's Last Resort, tacky décor
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excalibur.com

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ONGOING

Larry G. Jones, impersonator
Country Superstars Tribute
702-388-2400
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ONGOING

George Wallace, comedian
Toni Braxton: Revealed
Second City, improv comedy
Society of Seven
"X," burlesque, adult revue
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GOLDEN NUGGET

ONGOING

"Defending the Caveman,"
one-man Broadway show
702-386-8100
goldennugget.com

HARD ROCK HOTEL

HEADLINERS

B.B. King, Al Green, Sept. 3
Lily Allen, Sept. 7
Kings of Leon, Sept. 11

ONGOING
Beacher's Madhouse,
Sept. 29, Oct. 27,
Nov. 24, Dec. 29
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ticketmaster.com

HARRAH'S LAS VEGAS

ONGOING

Rita Rudner, thru Jan. 2010
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ONGOING

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HOOTERS CASINO HOTEL

ONGOING

Bobby Slayton, stand-up comic
Mentalist Gerry McCambridge
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Legends in Concert,
tribute revue
Hawaiian Luau, poolside,
Tues., Thurs., Sat. thru Sept. 29
Dealertainers deal blackjack
to gamblers
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imperialpalace.com

LAS VEGAS HILTON

HEADLINERS

Heart, Sept. 1-2
Las Vegas Tenors, Sept. 7-8
Marco Antonio Solis,
Sept. 15-16
Brooks & Dunn, Sept. 19-22
Tony Bennett, Oct. 12-13

ONGOING

Barry Manilow, Sept. 25-29,
Oct. 3-6, 16-20, 24-27,
Nov. 6-10, 14-17, 27-Dec. 1,
Dec. 27-30

"Menopause: The Musical"
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HEADLINERS

Asia, Sept. 1
Justin Timberlake, Sept. 1-2
Joss Stone, Sept. 8
Toby Keith, Sept. 8
Maná, Sept. 13-14
Alejandro Fernandez, Sept. 15
Los Lonely Boys, Sept. 15
Def Leppard, Styx,
& Foreigner, Sept. 22

ONGOING

"Mamma Mia!,"
Broadway musical

HOUSE OF BLUES

ONGOING

"Dirty: Rock Hard,"
adult comedy-hypnosis
"Keep it Funny"
w/Tim Gabrielson,
comedy magic

HEADLINERS

John Pinette, Sept. 1
Roger Clyne &
The Peacemakers, Sept. 2
Steve Vai, Sept. 7
Built to Spill
w/Camper Van Beethoven
& The Delusions, Sept. 10
Rise Against w/Silverstein
& Come Back Kid, Sept. 11

The Rentals w/Copeland
& Goldenbox, Sept. 19
Pauly Shore w/Sammy Shore,
Sept. 29
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MGM GRAND

HEADLINERS

Sarah Silverman, Sept. 1-2
David Copperfield, thru Sept.
19, Oct. 4-17, Nov. 15-28
Tom Jones, Sept. 20-26
Lewis Black, Sept. 27-Oct. 3
Jimmy Buffett, Oct. 20, 27
SPECIAL EVENTS
Juan Manuel Marquez
vs. Jorge Barrios, Sept. 15
L.A. Kings vs. Colorado
Avalanche, Sept. 22
U.S. Open: The World's Richest
Motorcycle Race, Oct. 12-13

ONGOING

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

THE MIRAGE

HEADLINERS

Jay Leno, Sept. 7-8, 28-29,
Oct. 5-6, 19-20, Nov. 2-3, 9-10
Brad Garrett, Sept. 14-15,
Oct. 12-13, Nov. 16-17
Ray Romano, Sept. 22-23

ONGOING

"Love," Cirque du Soleil
production, dark Tues.-Wed.
& Oct. 11
cirquedusoleil.com
Danny Gans, impersonator
702-792-7777
mirage.com

MONTE CARLO

HEADLINERS

Gabriel Iglesias
& Joey Medina, Sept. 14-15

ONGOING

Magician Lance Burton,
dark Sun.-Mon. & Sept. 4-15
702-730-7160
montecarlo.com

NEW YORK-NEW YORK

ONGOING

"Zumanity," adult
production, dark Mon.-Tues.
& Oct. 17, Dec. 4-19
702-740-6969
cirquedusoleil.com

THE ORLEANS

HEADLINERS/

SPECIAL EVENTS

Air Supply, Aug. 30-Sept. 2
Pimp & Ho Costume Ball,
Sept. 1
Lee Ann Womack, Sept. 7-9
The Temptations, Sept. 13-16
Double Down Throwdown,
country music festival, Sept. 15
George Carlin, Sept. 20-23,
Nov. 22-25
Steele Cage, Sept. 21
Freestyle Explosion,
musical variety concert,
Sept. 22
Neil Sedaka, Sept. 26-30,
Nov. 7-11
Ms. & Mr. Olympia Judging,
Sept. 28-29
"Disney Live!," Oct. 5-7
Dennis Miller, Oct. 5-7
Etta James, Oct. 12-14
Last Comic Standing, Oct. 13
K-9 Metro Trials, Oct. 14
The Smothers Brothers,
Oct. 18-21
Hoodie Awards, honors
local residents, Oct. 20
Craig Ferguson, Oct. 26-28
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Jimmy Buffett,

MGM Grand

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Luis Miguel,
Caesars Palace

Paul Revere and
The Raiders,
Suncoast

THE PALMS

HEADLINERS

Smashing Pumpkins, Sept. 13
Heaven & Hell, Oct. 5
Carlos Mencia, Oct. 20

SPECIAL EVENTS

MTV Video Music Awards,
Sept. 9
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palms.com

PARIS LAS VEGAS

ONGOING

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Broadway musical
Hypnotist Anthony Cools,
adult material
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Fab Four Mania
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Magician Nathan Burton
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Mesmerized, adult revue
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HARMON THEATER

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Sopranos Last Supper,
dinner & spoof
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harmontheater.com

RED ROCK STATION

HEADLINERS

Peter Frampton &
The Doobie Brothers, Sept. 14
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RIO ALL-SUITE HOTEL

ONGOING

Penn and Teller,
comedy-magic show
Chippendales: The Show,
male revue
Tony n' Tina's Wedding,
dinner theater
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RIVIERA

ONGOING

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

SAHARA

ONGOING

Matsuri, the Acrobatic Musical
Amazing Johnathan,
bizarre magic
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Trent Carlini: The Dream King
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SANTA FE STATION

HEADLINERS

Nashville Star Tour w/
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Joshua Stevens,
David St. Romaine,

Zac Hacker,
Sept. 6

Kyle Eastwood, Sept. 7
Michael Lington, Sept. 15
Christian Scott, Sept. 29
Ray Price, Oct. 6
Oleta Adams, Oct. 13
Eric Church, Oct. 19
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SILVERTON

HEADLINER

The Original Idols, Sept. 1-2
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SOUTH POINT

HEADLINERS

John Cafferty & The Beaver
Brown Band, Sept. 1-2
Phantom Blues Band, Sept. 7-8
Jon Reep, Sept. 14-16
Sons of Champlin, Sept. 18-19
Sons of Erin, Sept. 21
The Kingston Trio, Sept. 28-30
James Darren, Oct. 5-7
Vicki Lawrence, Oct. 12-14
David Sanborn, Oct. 19-21
Mark Chesnutt, Oct. 26-28
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STRATOSPHERE

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American Superstars,
tribute revue
Bite, revue
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SUNCOAST

HEADLINERS

Chris Bliss, Aug. 31-Sept. 2
Tito Puente Jr., Sept. 15-16
Paul Revere & The Raiders,
Sept. 21-23
The Bellamy Brothers,
Sept. 28-30
Tower of Power, Oct. 5-7

Bowzer's Rock 'n' Roll Dance
Party, w/Bryan Hyland,
Johnny Tillotson, Oct. 13-14
Susan Anton, Oct. 19-21
Fred Travalena, Oct. 26-28
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TREASURE ISLAND

ONGOING

"Mystère," dark Mon.-Tues.
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TROPICANA

ONGOING

Les Folies Bergere,
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Extreme Magic w/Dirk Arthur
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SPECIAL EVENT

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ONGOING

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Henderson

HEADLINERS

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Everclear, Sept. 14-15

Bill Engvall, Oct. 20
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HEADLINERS

A Salute to the Rat Pack,
Sept. 1-12
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& Peter Frampton, Sept. 16
Jeff Foxworthy, Sept. 30
B.B. King, Oct. 21
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harrahslaughlin.com

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Laughlin

HEADLINERS

Desperado: A Tribute
to the Eagles, Aug. 29-Sept. 2
Southbound: Celebrating
the Music of the Allman
Brothers, Sept. 5-8
Doug Kershaw, Sept. 12-16
Franz Harary, Sept. 18-23
Righteous Brothers Tribute,
Sept. 25-30
The Kingston Trio, Oct. 2-7
Hawaiian Holiday: Celebrating
the Music of Don Ho, Oct. 9-14
Joe Diffie, Oct. 16-21
The Chinese Acrobats,
Oct. 23-28

Mark Chesnutt, Oct. 31-Nov. 4
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Concert, Sept. 1
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Lieutenant Dan Band, Sept. 2
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Starship w/Micky Thomas
& Survivor, Sept. 8
Petula Clark &
Sammy Shore, Sept. 15
The Pointer Sisters, Sept. 22
David Brighton's Tribute
to David Bowie & Journey
Unauthorized, Sept. 29
The Guess Who, Oct. 6
Pure Aloha Concert, Oct. 12-14
Peace Frog:
Tribute to the Doors, Oct. 19-20
Black Diamond: Ultimate
Tribute to Kiss, Oct. 26-27
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HEADLINERS

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Sept. 8
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ATLANTIS

HEADLINERS

America, Sept. 1-2
Outlaws, Sept. 20
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HEADLINERS

Heart, Sept. 7
Trisha Yearwood, Sept. 15
Kenny Rogers, Sept. 19
Scorpions, Sept. 22
Benise, Oct. 12
B.B. King, Oct. 26
The Kingston Trio, Oct. 29

SPECIAL EVENTS

Wings & Strings, Sept. 13
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HARRAH'S RENO

ONGOING

Greg London's ICONS,
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Impersonator
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JOHN ASCUAGA'S NUGGET

Sparks

HEADLINERS

ALO, Sept. 3
Greg Brown, Sept. 14-15
When We Were FAB,
Sept. 28-29
Wynonna Judd, Oct. 6
Vox Lumiere's "Hunchback
of Notre Dame," Oct. 12-13
Joe Piscopo's Tribute to
Ol' Blue Eyes, Oct. 20
"Little Shop of Horrors,"
Oct. 24-28

SPECIAL EVENTS

Best in the West
Nugget Rib Cook-Off,
Aug. 29-Sept. 3

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HORIZON

Stateline

ONGOING

TV's Magic Stars at the Horizon
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MONTBLEU RESORT

Stateline

HEADLINERS

Kathleen Madigan
& John Penette, Sept. 8
The Killers, Sept. 21
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CACTUS PETES

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HEADLINERS

2007 Nashville Star Tour,
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Loverboy, Sept. 28-29
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Aaron Lewis, Sept. 29
Wynonna Judd, Oct. 12
Eddie Money, Oct. 13
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Balloons and airplanes vie for your attention

BY MARK S. BACON

ASCENDING IN A HOT-AIR BALLOON is like no other form of flying. There's no sensation of motion. No wind. No sound. Pilot Brent Rolland checks the instruments while I peer over the side of the basket. Below us thousands of people watch more than 100 hot-air balloons decorate the morning horizon during the Great Reno Balloon Race.

The event, September 7-9, is the first of six upcoming Nevada aerial festivals. It's followed by the Reno National Championship Air Races, the Ruby Mountain Balloon Festival in Elko, BalloonaPalooza in North Las Vegas, Boulder City Air Show, and Aviation Nation in Las Vegas.

As we float above Reno, Rolland explains that balloons are usually flown in the early morning or evening when winds are calm. "Unlike glider pilots, we want to be on the ground when thermals start," he says, referring to updrafts that can cause a bumpy ride.

Rolland hauls his 90,000-cubic-inch balloon, Shooting Star, from his home in Los Altos, California, because he says the Reno event is among the oldest and most established in the country.

The Reno festival will offer three different types of hot-air displays, competitive events, food, and music. Spectators can watch the pilots and ground crews as they inflate the colorful giants, and occasionally pilots will ask bystanders to help launch a balloon.

On September 12-16, the National Championship Air Races roar into Reno with aircraft competing in six categories, plus military and civilian aircraft exhibits, aerobatic displays, and performances by the Canadian Forces Snowbirds demonstration team.

The racing planes range from custom biplanes to small jets. The planes that have the greatest following, however, are in the unlimited class—mostly modified World War II fighters. The P-51 Mustang and Hawker Sea Fury are the fastest competitors, reaching speeds of more than 500 mph. The former warplanes streak around an eight-mile course marked off by 55-foot pylons.

"There's nothing like the sound of eight of those [planes] going by," says Southwest Airlines pilot Birch Entriken. "The hair on the back of your neck stands straight up."

PHOTO: TYSON RININGER



Entriiken, from Truckee, California, was an air-race spectator before competing in 1999 in a single-seat, lightweight Formula One, which can fly more than 250 mph. Entriiken says the attraction is the speed, sound, danger, and excitement.

Moving east across the state to Elko, during the Ruby Mountain Balloon Festival, September 21-23, fans will find a balloon launch, barbecue, vendors, kids' games, and a balloon glow at dusk at Great Basin College. Mass launches and tethered rides are offered Saturday and Sunday at Spring Creek Sports Complex.

Also on September 21-23, North Las Vegas holds its BalloonaPalooza, which has balloon glows, entertainment, food, vendors, and a carnival. Hot-air balloons, including uniquely shaped ones like Wells Fargo's honey bees, fly over Craig Ranch Regional Park's trees and ponds.

Other Southern Nevada aerial events include the Boulder City Air Show on November 3 with fly-bys, aerobatic demos, free airplane rides for kids eight to 17 helicopter rides, and other aviation displays.

On November 10-11, the action moves

to Aviation Nation in Las Vegas. This year aircraft representing the history of the air force and of flight itself will be overhead and on display at Nellis Air Force Base.

Planes from a Wright Brothers' model to a mockup of the newest military fighter, the F-35, will be on the flightline. Captain Justin McVay, Nellis public affairs officer, says up to 200 planes will be showcased, including the unmanned Predator, B-2 Stealth Bomber, and foreign military planes, plus many vintage military and civilian aircraft. The fly-bys will include 1940s fighters paired with modern air force jets and civilian aircraft. Stunt fliers will be at the controls of everything from helicopters to a MiG jet.

The highlight of the Nellis show is the Vegas-based Thunderbirds, the U.S. Air Force demonstration squadron, flying brightly painted F-16s. "They're 18 inches apart most of the time," says McVay, "sometimes upside down. And they're pushing close to Mach 1, nearly reaching the sound barrier."

Meanwhile, things are much slower over Reno, where our hot-air balloon touches down as softly as landing on a cloud.

MORE INFORMATION

Great Reno Balloon Race

Sept. 7-9, Rancho San Rafael Park, Reno, free. Park-and-ride options are available. renoballoon.com, 775-826-1181

Reno National Championship Air Races

Sept. 12-16, Reno-Stead Field, eight miles north of Reno. Parking, including overnight RV parking, available at the field. Admission prices vary. Reserved grandstand seats from \$11 to \$38 for the final day. Pit passes available. airrace.org, 775-972-6663

Ruby Mountain Balloon Festival

Sept. 21-23, Elko, fees for rides, no charge to watch launches. elkonevada.com, 775-738-7135

BalloonaPalooza

Sept. 21-23, North Las Vegas, free. cityofnorthlasvegas.com, 702-633-2650

Boulder City Air Show

Nov. 3, Boulder City Airport, free. boulder-city-chamber.com, 775-738-7135

Aviation Nation

Nov. 10-11, Nellis Air Force Base in Las Vegas, free. Shuttle service available from the Las Vegas Motor Speedway. Attendees are subject to search. aviationnation.org

Aviation Nation at Nellis Air Force Base (opposite page). Top: Great Reno Balloon Race.

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MOTOR SPORTS

Las Vegas Primm 300 Primm
Sept. 7-9
Off-road race
score-international.com

Las Vegas 350
Sept. 22
NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series
702-644-4444
lvms.com

SNORE 250
Sept. 29
Off-road race, 60-mile laps
snoreracing.net

Summit Racing Equipment Pacific Division E.T. Finals
Oct. 12-14
NHRA
702-644-4444
lvms.com

ACDelco Las Vegas NHRA Nationals
Oct. 25-28
702-644-4444
lvms.com

SPORTS

2007 FIBA Americas Championship
Aug. 22-Sept. 2
Basketball
702-739-FANS
unlvtickets.com

AVP Gods & Goddesses of the Beach
Sept. 6-8
Pro volleyball
avp.com

UNLV Rebels Football
Sept. 8 vs. Wisconsin,
Sept. 15 vs. Hawaii,
Sept. 22 vs. Utah,
Oct. 13 vs. BYU,
Oct. 20 vs. Colorado State
702-739-FANS
unlvtickets.com

Las Vegas Golf Super Show
Sept. 21-23
Golf expo
858-586-1202
lvgolfshow.com

FRYS.com Open
Oct. 11-14
\$4-million purse
pgatour.com

Las Vegas Wranglers Pro Hockey
Oct. 21, 23 vs. Stockton
702-471-7825
lasvegaswranglers.com

Re/Max World Long Drive Championship Mesquite
Oct. 23-27
888-233-4654
longdrivers.com

L.A. Lakers vs. Sacramento Kings
Oct. 26
702-739-FANS
unlvtickets.com

FESTIVALS/FAIRS/CULTURE

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

San Gennaro Feast
Sept. 11-16
Italian festival
702-286-4944
sangennaro feast.net

Boulder City Chautauqua Boulder City
Sept. 15
Will Rogers, Scott Joplin
702-293-7688
nevadahumanities.org

Ho'olaule'a Pacific Island Festival Henderson
Sept. 15-16
702-382-6939
lvhcc.org

BalloonaPalooza North Las Vegas
Sept. 21-23
Hot-air balloon festival
702-633-2650
cityofnorthlasvegas.com

Super Run Car Show Henderson
Sept. 21-23
702-267-2171
visithenderson.com

Living History at Spring Mountain Ranch State Park
Sept. 22
Chautauqua of previous owners
702-875-4141
parks.nv.gov

Las Vegas Civil War Roundtable
Sept. 26, Oct. 24
Free living-history program
702-486-3511
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Pirate Orlando Bloom at the Venetian's Madame Tussauds Las Vegas
Mezzo soprano Denyce Graves, Oct. 26



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Las Vegas BikeFest

Sept. 27-30

Motorcycle rally

702-450-7662

lasvegasbikefest.com

Corn Maze

Glendale

Oct. 5-27

702-864-2277

glendalecornmaze.com

Women in Aviation:**A Roundtable Discussion**

Henderson

Oct. 6

702-455-7955

co.clark.nv.us/museum

Logandale Bluegrass Festival

Logandale

Oct. 12-14

702-561-9372

snvbluegrass.com

Monster Mayhem:**The Haunted Village**

Oct. 12-14, 18-21, 25-31

Four haunted houses

monstermayhem.net

**Thank Goodness It's Fall,
Festival & Car Show**

Overton

Oct. 20

702-397-6000

moapavalley.com

**Hawaiian Isle Festival &
Outrigger Canoe Regatta**

Henderson

Oct. 20-21

lvhcc.org/hawaiianislefestival

Nevada Day Celebration

Oct. 26

Glendale

BBQ, Western music

702-864-2277

glendalecornfield.com

Nevada Day Celebration

Oct. 27

Living history, contests

702-486-3511

parks.nv.gov

Civil War Reenactment

Oct. 27-28

702-875-4141

parks.nv.gov

ART EXHIBITS**Orlando Bloom at Madame
Tussauds Las Vegas**

702-862-7800

mtvegas.com

In the Dark Exhibition

Thru Sept. 9

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mysteries in nature

702-384-DINO

lvnhm.org

Nevada Camera Club

Thru Sept. 23

Annual photo exhibit

702-507-4010

lvccld.org

Familiar Places

Thru Sept. 30

Photos by Chris Pflum

702-507-3760

lvccld.org

**Still Crazy: 125 Years of
Southern Nevada Quilts**

Henderson

Thru Nov. 4

702-455-7955

co.clark.nv.us/museum

**Modern Masters from the
Guggenheim Collection**

Thru April 27

Cézanne, Picasso, & Monet

702-414-2493

guggenheimlasvegas.org

**Visions of the Great
Basin Basketmakers**

Sept. 6-Nov. 18

702-486-5205

nevadaculture.org

**Las Vegas Diaspora: The
Emergence of Contemporary
Art from the Neon Homeland**

Sept. 30-Dec. 30

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lasvegasartmuseum.org

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cityofhenderson.com

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Henderson

Fri.-Sat. thru Oct. 20

702-564-8595

thedistrictatgvr.com

**Slaughter, Quiet
Riot, Vince Neil**

Henderson

Sept. 1

702-267-4849

visithenderson.com

Shakespeare in the Park

Henderson

Sept. 5-7

"Twelfth Night"

702-267-2171

visithenderson.com

Chinese guitarist
Xuefei Yang, Oct. 11Liberace Piano
Competition,
Sept. 9, 16**NEVADA EVENTS**

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Nevada Ballet at the Lake performance
Sept. 8 in Henderson

Chubby Checker performs Sept. 21-23 at Super Run Car Show in Henderson



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MUSIC/THEATER (Cont.)

Joel Osteen
Sept. 7
702-739-3267
unlvtickets.com

Rockin' Blues Festival
Henderson
Sept. 8
702-267-2171
visithenderson.com

Comedy Tonight: Funny Tunes from Broadway
Boulder City
Sept. 8
702-293-2034
boulder-city-chamber.com

Nevada Ballet at the Lake
Henderson
Sept. 8
702-474-4000
ticketmaster.com

Liberace Piano Competition
Sept. 9, 16
702-798-5595, ext. 16
liberace.org

Spanish Nights on the Lake
Henderson
Sept. 14-15
Flamenco music & dance
877-558-5253
lakelasvegas.com

"Let's Dance: A Musical Comedy"
Sept. 16
702-229-6383
artslasvegas.org

Las Vegas Brass Band
Boulder City
Sept. 21
702-293-2034
boulder-city-chamber.com

"Amadeus"
Sept. 21-23, 27-30
702-895-ARTS
pac.unlv.edu

Kenny G. in Concert
Henderson
Sept. 29
702-474-4000
ticketmaster.com

Las Vegas Philharmonic
Sept. 29
702-258-5438
lvphil.com

"Don Quixote"
Oct. 5-7
Nevada Ballet Theatre
702-895-ARTS
pac.unlv.edu

Xuefei Yang
Oct. 11
Chinese guitarist
702-895-ARTS
pac.unlv.edu

"The Guignol Brothers: Theatre du Vampire"
Oct. 12-31
Insurgo Theater Movement
702-732-7225
myspace.com/insurgotheater

"Music of the Night: A Spooky Broadway Revue"
Boulder City
Oct. 13
702-293-2034
boulder-city-chamber.com

Benise
Henderson
Oct. 20
Flamenco guitarist
702-267-4849
visithenderson.com

The Broadway Divas
Oct. 20
702-895-ARTS
pac.unlv.edu

"A Day in His Life: The John Lennon Anthology"
Henderson
Oct. 26
702-267-4849
visithenderson.com

Denyce Graves
Oct. 26
Mezzo soprano
702-895-ARTS
pac.unlv.edu

FAMILY

Halloween Spooktacular
Oct. 20
Pumpkin-carving contest
702-875-4141
parks.nv.gov

Halloween Jubilee
Valley of Fire State Park
Oct. 27
702-397-2088
parks.nv.gov

GENERAL INTEREST

Las Vegas Farmers' Market
Tues.-Thurs.
702-562-2676
lasvegasfarmersmarket.com

Remote Control Race Super Nationals
Boulder City
Oct. 10-13
702-293-2043
boulder-city-chamber.com

Region 12 Airstream Rally
Oct. 17-22
800-566-4707
oasislasvegasrvresort.com

Las Vegas Parade of Homes
Oct. 19-Nov. 4
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PBR Western Gift Expo
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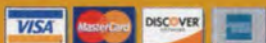
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MOTOR SPORTS

Virginia City Hill Climb
Virginia City
 Sept. 15-16
 Ferrari races
 775-847-0311
 virginiacity-nv.org

SPORTS

Carson Valley Inn Mixed Scramble Golf Tournament
Minden
 Sept. 7-8
 775-783-6679
 cvinn.com

Professional Bull Riders Competition
 Sept. 7-9
 800-732-1727, opt. 1
 pbrnow.com

Virginia City International Camel Races
Virginia City
 Sept. 7-9
 Parade on Sept. 8
 775-847-0311
 virginiacity-nv.org

MS Bike Race at Northstar Truckee
 Sept. 8-9
 530-581-6900
 gotahoenorth.com

Tour de Tahoe Bike Big Blue Lake Tahoe
 Sept. 9
 72-mile ride
 800-565-2704
 bikethewest.com

National Championship Air Races
 Sept. 12-16
 775-972-6663
 airrace.org

UNR Wolf Pack Football
 Sept. 15 vs. Nicholls State
 Sept. 29 vs. UNLV
 Oct. 6 vs. Fresno State
 Oct. 27 vs. Idaho
 775-784-6900
 nevadawolfpack.com

Tahoe Sierra Century Bike Ride
Squaw Valley
 Sept. 22
 866-818-6963
 tahoesierracentury.com

Tahoe Big Blue Adventure Race & Sprint
North Lake Tahoe
 Sept. 22
 530-546-1019
 bigblueadventure.com

OATBRAN
Lake Tahoe to Great Basin National Park
 Sept. 23-29
 420-mile bicycle ride
 800-565-2704
 bikethewest.com

Lake Tahoe Marathon
Tahoe City to South Lake Tahoe
 Sept. 25-30
 530-544-7095
 laketahoemarathon.com

Golf Tournament
Carson City
 Sept. 29
 Benefit for breast cancer
 775-882-3051

Nissan XTERRA USA Championship
Lake Tahoe
 Sept. 29-30
 877-751-8880
 xterraplanet.com

Indian Summer Golf Classic
Lake Tahoe
 Oct. 5
 530-581-6900
 gotahoenorth.com

Minden Douglas Elks Golf Tournament
Minden
 Oct. 20
 775-782-3416
 mindendouglaselks.org

FESTIVALS/FAIRS/CULTURE

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

Numaga Days Powwow
Sparks
 Aug. 31-Sept. 2
 775-329-2936
 rsic.org

Civil War Reenactment
Virginia City
 Aug. 31-Sept. 2
 775-847-0311
 virginiacity-nv.org

Fireworks Extravaganza
Lake Tahoe
 Sept. 1
 530-544-5050
 bluelaketahoe.com



Beers, brats,
 & music at
 Oktoberfests
 Genoa Candy
 Dance,
 Sept. 29-30



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Tibetan Festival**Lake Tahoe**

Sept. 1-8

530-541-4975

valhallatahoe.com

Alpen Wine Festival**Squaw Valley USA**

Sept. 2

866-818-6963

thevillageatsquaw.com

Labor Day Parade**Virginia City**

Sept. 3

775-847-0311

virginiacity-nv.org

**Reno Cowboy Poetry
& Music Gathering**

Sept. 7-8

775-830-7087

renocowboypoetry.com

Great Reno Balloon Race

Sept. 7-9

775-826-1181

renoballoon.com

Salsa y Salsa**Carson City**

Sept. 14-15

775-887-1294

visitcarsoncity.com

**Lake Tahoe Autumn
Food & Wine Festival****North Lake Tahoe**

Sept. 14-16

800-824-6348

gotahoenorth.com

Renaissance Fair**Truckee**

Sept. 15-16

530-581-6900

gotahoenorth.com

Dayton Valley Days**Dayton**

Sept. 15-16

775-246-8382

Art Bark Fest:**Animal Art & Wine Festival****Squaw Valley USA**

Sept. 15-16

877-464-3364

thebarkfestival.com

Carson City Basque Festival**Carson City**

Sept. 16

775-887-2101

visitcarsoncity.com

Street Vibrations

Sept. 19-23

Motorcycle festival

800-200-4557

road-shows.com

Thunder on the Comstock**Virginia City**

Sept. 21-23

Motorcycle rally

775-847-0311

virginiacity-nv.org

Oktoberfest**Sparks**

Sept. 28-29

800-905-7774

silverclub.com

North Lake Tahoe**Classic Car Show****Lake Tahoe**

Sept. 28-30

530-541-7300

goodsamsaferide.com

Village Oktoberfest**Squaw Valley USA**

Sept. 29

866-818-6963

thevillageatsquaw.com

Genoa Candy Dance**Arts & Crafts Faire****Genoa**

Sept. 29-30

775-782-8696

candydanceartsandcraftsfaire.
org**Old Town Days****Gardnerville**

Oct. 5-7

Civil War reenactment
& concert

775-782-7134

visitcarsonvalley.org

Scarecrow Festival**Minden**

Oct. 6

775-782-7629

visitcarsonvalley.org

Great Italian Festival

Oct. 6-7

800-879-8879

eldoradoreno.com

World Championship**Outhouse Races****Virginia City**

Oct. 6-7

775-847-0311

virginiacity-nv.org

Kokanee Salmon Festival**Lake Tahoe**

Oct. 6-7

775-543-2674

Reno Celtic Celebration

Oct. 6-7

775-788-9595

renoceltic.org

Harvest Festival**Gardnerville**

Oct. 6-28

775-265-3045

corleyranch.com

**'50s Rockathon Car
Show & Swap Meet****Gardnerville**

Oct. 13

775-265-0548

visitcarsonvalley.org

Kit Carson Trail Ghost Walk**Carson City**

Oct. 20

800-NEVADA-1

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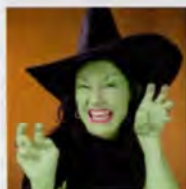


Virginia City
International Camel
Races, Sept. 7-9

World Championship
Outhouse Races,
Virginia City, Oct. 6-7

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History lives during
Civil War
reenactments

Beware of ghouls
& goblins, Oct. 31



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FESTIVALS/FAIRS/ CULTURE (Cont.)

**Tahoe/Reno International
Film Festival**
Oct. 24-28
775-298-0018
t-riff.org

Nevada Day Celebration
Carson City
Oct. 25-28
Parade, Oct. 27
800-NEVADA-1
visitcarsoncity.com

1864 Governor's Ball
Virginia City
Oct. 27
775-847-0311
virginiacity-nv.org

ART EXHIBITS

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

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

**A Fragile Presence: The
Local Landmark Paintings
of Roy Powers**
Thru Oct. 21
775-329-3333
nevadaart.org

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

**Salt Dreams: Reflections
from the Downstream West**
Thru Dec. 9
775-329-3333
nevadaart.org

**The Central Pacific Railroad
& the Comstock**
Thru Dec. 14
775-687-8323
nevadaculture.org

**Native American
Basketweavers' Market**
Sept. 8
Tahoe City
530-583-1762
northtahoemuseums.org

Arts & Crafts Fair
Minden
Sept. 8-9
775-782-2444
visitcarsonvalley.org

Quilts Over Nevada Show
Sept. 8-9
775-337-1912

**Carson Valley Art Association
Second Saturday**
Carson Valley
Sept. 15, Oct. 13, Nov. 10
775-782-5606
visitcarsonvalley.org

**Voces Latinas: Works on
Paper from 1920 to Present**
Carson City
Oct. 3-Nov. 18
775-687-4810
nevadaculture.org

**Yosemite: Art of an
American Icon**
Oct. 13-Jan. 13
775-329-3333
nevadaart.org

**1908 New York to Paris Auto
Race: 100th Anniversary**
Nov. 8-Jan. 5, 2009
1907 Thomas Flyer on display
775-333-9300
automuseum.org

MUSIC/THEATER

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

"Temperance Tantrums"
Virginia City
Aug. 25-Oct. 3
775-847-0433
virginiacity-nv.org

**Minden Village
Summer Concert Series**
Minden
Sept. 1
775-220-0995
uncommonconcerts.com

Mumbo Gumbo Concert
Squaw Valley USA
Sept. 1
530-581-6900
gotahoenorth.com

**Free Concerts at
Commons Beach**
Tahoe City
Sept. 2, 9
530-581-6900
gotahoenorth.com

Movies in the Park
Gardnerville
Sept. 7
775-782-7134
gardnerville-nv.gov

Collin Raye
Carson City
Sept. 8
Concert, BBQ
775-882-8820
visitcarsoncity.com

Sierra Highlanders Pipe Band
Virginia City
Sept. 8
775-847-0433
pipersoperahouse.com

Reno Chamber Orchestra
Sept. 8-9
775-348-9413
renochamberorchestra.org

September Jazz & Poetry
Carson City
Sept. 11
775-883-4154
milehighjazz.com

Wings & Strings
Sept. 13
Fundraiser
775-348-9413
renochamberorchestra.org

Chad Twedt Concert
Lake Tahoe
Sept. 13
530-541-4975
valhallatahoe.com

"Curse of the Hanging Tree"
Genoa
Sept. 14-15
Historical play
775-782-2555
historicnevada.org

Quartet Northwest
Lake Tahoe
Sept. 16
Spokane Symphony
530-541-4975
valhallatahoe.com

Concert on the Green
Genoa Park
Sept. 16
775-782-8696
visitcarsonvalley.org

Fashion & Follies
Minden
Sept. 22
Dinner, fashion show
775-782-3416
mindendouglaselks.org

"Les Miserables" Concert
Carson City
Oct. 5-21
Nevada Civic Light Opera
775-887-5601
nvclo.com

"The Music Man"
Virginia City
Oct. 5-7, 13-14, 20-21
775-887-5601
nvclo.com

Minden Douglas Luau
Minden
Oct. 6
775-782-3416
mindendouglaselks.org

Autumn Jazz
Carson City
Oct. 9
775-883-4154
milehighjazz.com

Carson City Symphony
Carson City
Oct. 21, Dec. 9
775-883-4154
ccsymphony.com

"Scrooge"
Virginia City
Oct. 30-Dec. 1
775-847-0433
virginiacity-nv.org

FAMILY

Haunted Ghost Walk
Gardnerville
Oct. 19
775-782-2555
visitcarsonvalley.org

Historic Cemetery Tour
Gardnerville
Oct. 20
775-782-2555
historicnevada.org

Halloween Spooktacular
Dayton
Oct. 20
775-687-5678
parks.nv.gov

Haunted Genoa Ghost Walk
Genoa
Oct. 21
775-782-2555
visitcarsonvalley.org

Great Pumpkin Carnival
Sparks
Oct. 25
775-353-2385
sparksrec.com

The Great Pumpkin Festival
Squaw Valley USA
Oct. 26-31
866-818-6963
thevillageatsquaw.com

Halloween Party in Genoa
Genoa
Oct. 31
775-782-8696
visitcarsonvalley.org

Haunted Halls Halloween
Virginia City
Oct. 31
775-847-0975
fourthwardschool.org

Trick or Treat in the Streets
Oct. 31
775-333-9300
automuseum.org

GENERAL INTEREST

Piper's Opera House Tours
Virginia City
Daily thru Sept. 4
775-847-0433
virginiacity-nv.org

Wine Walk on the River Walk
Third Saturday
775-348-8862
renoriver.org/winewalk



Best in the West
Nugget Rib
Cook-Off, Sparks,
Aug. 29-Sept. 3
Louis' Basque
Corner painting
at Roy Powers'
exhibit, thru Oct. 21



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Fall bicycle racing in the Reno-Tahoe area
Sierra Highlanders
Pipe Band, Virginia City, Sept. 8



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GENERAL INTEREST (Cont.)

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

Mystery of the Nile & The Ultimate Universe
Thru Sept. 3
775-784-4811
planetarium.unr.edu

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

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

Friday Night Farmers' Market
Thru Sept. 28
775-334-2077
cityofreno.com

Northstar Labor Day Street Fair Truckee
Sept. 1-3
800-GO-NORTH
northstarattahoe.com

Historic Train Rides Carson City
Sept. 1-3, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23, Oct. 21, 28
Steam & diesel
775-684-8282
nevadaculture.org

Nando Parrado Incline Village
Sept. 2
Survival in the Andes
775-298-0202
nando-in-tahoe.com

A Taste of Nevada
Sept. 7
Hal Ketchum performs
775-784-4390
Email: carbon@unr.edu

Tin Cup Tea Carson City
Sept. 8
Museum fundraiser
775-687-4810
nevadaculture.org

Nature Buddies! Dayton State Park
Sept. 17, Oct. 22
775-687-5678
parks.nv.gov

History as Performance Carson City
Sept. 18-19, 25-26
Chautauqua
775-687-4810
nevadaculture.org

Animal Tracks: Who Visits Here? Dayton State Park
Sept. 22
775-687-5678
parks.nv.gov

High Noon at the Historical Society
Sept. 24, Bert Bedeau
Oct. 22, Peter Bandurraga
Nov. 26, Chinese on the RR
775-688-1190
nevadaculture.org

UNR Foundation Banquet
Sept. 25
Author George Will, speaker
775-784-4831
Email: jcorbit@unr.edu

History of Stagecoach Robbery in Nevada Carson City
Sept. 25
Lecture
775-687-4810
nevadaculture.org

Nevada Historical Society Evening Lecture Series
Sept. 25, Wendell Huffman
Oct. 23, Mella Harmon
Nov. 27, Peter Barton
775-688-1190
nevadaculture.org

Build a Bird Feeder Dayton State Park
Oct. 6
775-687-5678
parks.nv.gov

Bunco for Breast Cancer Minden
Oct. 13
775-783-6624
cvin.com

Beer & Bratwurst on the V&T Virginia City
Oct. 13
775-847-0311
virginiacity-nv.org

Build a Solar Oven Dayton State Park
Oct. 13
775-687-5678
parks.nv.gov

Inter-Tribal Council Convention Sparks
Oct. 15-18
775-355-0600
itcn.org

Characters from the Comstock Carson City
Oct. 27
Reading by Ellen Hopkins
775-687-4810
nevadaculture.org

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MOTOR SPORTS

International Motorcycle Speed Trials Wendover
Sept. 2-6

775-664-3138
westwendovercity.com

Bonneville World of Speed
Wendover
Sept. 12-15
775-664-3138
westwendovercity.com

Silver State Classic Challenge
Ely to Hiko
Sept. 13-16
Open-road race
702-338-1897
silverstateclassicchallenge.com

World Finals at Bonneville
Wendover
Oct. 10-13
775-664-3138
westwendovercity.com

SPORTS

Race to the Angel
Wells
Sept. 8
Runners, road bikes
775-752-3540
wellsnevada.com

Fernley Senior Pro Rodeo
Fernley
Sept. 15-16
775-575-4459
fernleychamber.org

Barrel Racing
Battle Mountain
Sept. 15-16
775-635-1112
battlemountaintourism.com

Bull Riding Competition
Pahrump
Sept. 15-16
775-727-5800
pahrumphchamber.com

Man-Mule Race
Elko & Lamoille
Sept. 22
775-753-6164
Email: cbs@stenninger.org

Fallon Senior Pro Rodeo
Fallon
Sept. 22-23
775-867-2115
fallontourism.com

OATBRAN
Lake Tahoe to Great Basin National Park
Sept. 23-29
420-mile bicycle ride
800-565-2704
bikethewest.com

World Human Powered Speed Challenge
Battle Mountain
Oct. 1-6 (tentative date)
Recumbent bicycle race
775-635-1112
battlemountaintourism.com

No Hill Hundred Century Ride
Fallon
Oct. 6
100-mile bike tour
775-423-7733
fallontourism.com

National Finals Senior Pro Rodeo
Winnemucca
Oct. 31-Nov. 3
775-623-5071
winnemucca.nv.us

FESTIVALS/FAIRS/CULTURE

Lattin Farms Corn Maze
Fallon
Thru Oct. 31
866-638-6293
lattinfarms.com

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

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

Tri-County Fair & Stampede
Winnemucca
Aug. 31-Sept. 2
775-623-5071
winnemucca.nv.us

Hearts O' Gold Cantaloupe Festival & Country Fair
Fallon
Aug. 31-Sept. 3
775-423-2544
fallontourism.com

Jarbridge Labor Day Celebration
Jarbridge
Aug. 31-Sept. 2
775-488-2311
Email: outdoorinnjarbridge@yahoo.com

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

McGill Centennial Town Picnic
McGill
Sept. 1-2
Fireworks, car show, chili cook-off
775-235-7474
whitepinechamber.com

Labor Day Parade
Fallon
Sept. 3
775-423-1124
fallontourism.com

Morrodders Gamblers Run Car Show
Elko
Sept. 7-9
775-777-7896
morrodders.com



Ruby Mountain
Balloon Festival,
Elko, Sept. 21-23

Harvest Wine
Tasting,
Winnemucca,
Oct. 20



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April Verch Band,
Fallon, Sept. 29

Richard Elloyan,
Eureka, Oct. 5



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FESTIVALS/FAIRS/ CULTURE (Cont.)

Lander County Fair
Battle Mountain
Sept. 7-9
775-635-1112
battlemountaintourism.com

Community Reading
of the U.S. Constitution
Hawthorne
Sept. 17
775-945-3030

Ruby Mountain Balloon Festival
Elko
Sept. 21-23
775-738-7135
elkocva.com

Oktoberfest
Pahrump
Oct. 13
775-727-5800
pahumpchamber.com

Nevada Day Parade
Elko
Oct. 26
775-738-7991
elkocva.com

Beatty Days Celebration
Beatty
Oct. 26-28
775-553-2424
beattynevada.org

Halloween Pig Roast & BBQ
Jarbridge
Oct. 27
775-488-2311
Email: [outdoorinnjarbridge@
yahoo.com](mailto:outdoorinnjarbridge@yahoo.com)

Harvest Festival
Battle Mountain
Oct. 31
775-635-1112
battlemountaintourism.com

MUSIC/THEATER

Bettye Lavette
Fallon
Sept. 8
Soul, R&B, blues
775-423-1440
fallontourism.com

Rick Hays & American
Steel in Concert
Fernley
Sept. 15
775-784-9881
cityoffernley.org

Ruby Mountain Symphony
Elko
Sept. 22
775-738-4187
elkocva.com

April Verch Band
Fallon
Sept. 29
Fiddle champion
775-423-1440
fallontourism.com

Richard Elloyan
Eureka
Oct. 5
775-237-6006
co.eureka.nv.us

Nevada Ballet Theatre
Eureka
Oct. 25
775-237-6006
co.eureka.nv.us

FAMILY

Halloween Houses & Treats
Spring Creek
Oct. 19-20, 25-27, 31
775-753-6295
Carlin
Oct. 30
775-754-6354
explorecarlinnv.com

Elko
Oct. 30-31
775-738-9895
elkocva.com
Fernley
Oct. 31
775-575-0304
fernleychamber.org

GENERAL INTEREST

Historic Train Rides
Ely
Daily excursion rides
775-289-2085
nnry.com

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

Farmers' Market
Pahrump
Sept. 1
775-727-5800
pahumpchamber.com

Harvest Dance
Jarbridge
Sept. 29
775-488-2358
Email: jarbidgearts@rtci.net

Grape Stomp at the Winery
Pahrump
Sept. 29
775-727-5800
pahumpchamber.com

Barn Tour
Elko
Oct. 6
775-738-3418
elkocva.com

Harvest Wine Tasting
Winnemucca
Oct. 20
775-623-5071
winnemucca.nv.us



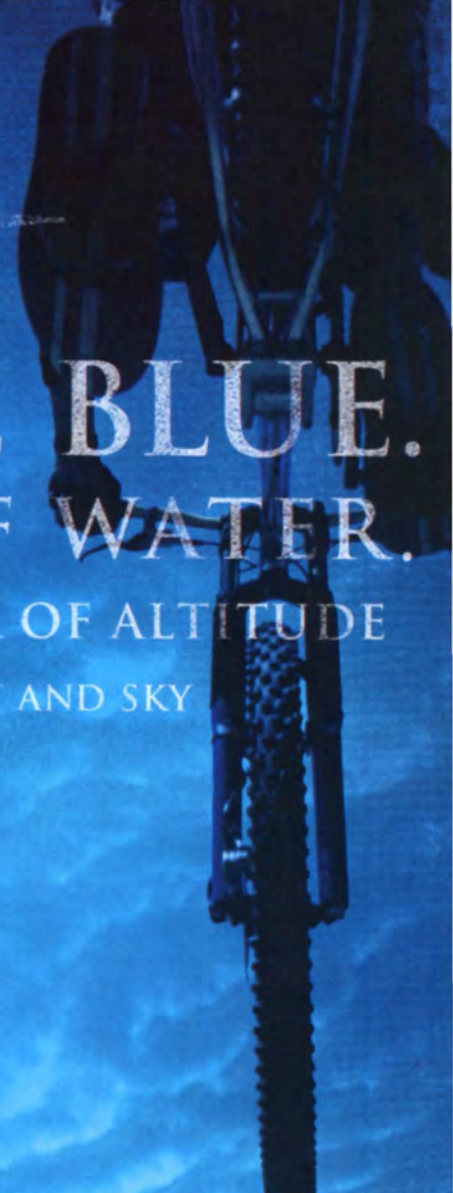
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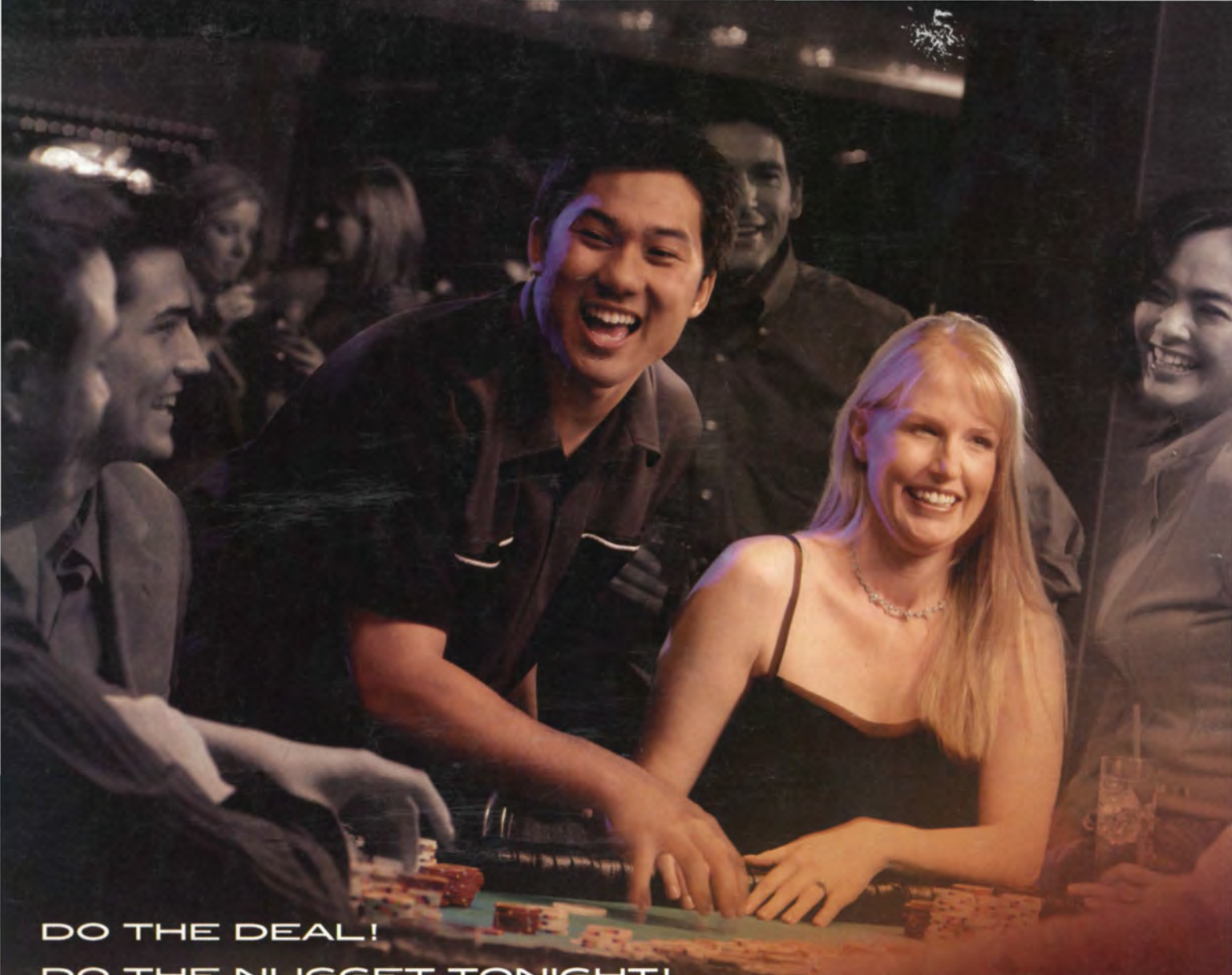


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