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TWO
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let's talk about the
CLASSIX

Reno continues to grow, both in population and in culture. Along with the wonderful art, food and theater scene is a world of music that resonates across the region. Standing at the forefront is Northern Nevada's largest performing arts organization, the Reno Philharmonic – a non-profit that features an orchestra with more than 60 professional musicians. This is a great time to visit as the Reno Philharmonic is set to start its 48th season with classical programs in October and November, as well as the ever-popular *Spirit of the Season* holiday show during the first weekend of December.

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The Reno Philharmonic performed its first concert at the Pioneer Center for the Performing Arts (still its current home) in August 1969, bringing together musicians from many of the casino floor shows at the time. The organization has grown in size and scope over the years. The premier showcase is *Classix*, a six-concert classical series that runs from October to April. Each of the six concert sets has a Sunday performance at 4 p.m. and a Tuesday show at 7:30 p.m.

The orchestra is led by Maestro Laura Jackson and welcomes internationally renowned guest artists from across the globe. The caliber of the Reno Philharmonic is superb and elicits rave reviews from out-of-town guests, who compare it to orchestras found in metropolitan areas. The Philharmonic performs classics, modern masterpieces and works by burgeoning new composers. The orchestra even hosted the West Coast premiere of the new critical editions of George Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" and "An American in Paris" in the spring of 2016.

In what's sure to be a dramatic opening of the new season, the dormant *Classix* rises again with *Classix One: Revival* on Oct. 2 and 4, 2016 featuring a lineup that follows a common trajectory of resurgence. Respighi's "Ancient Airs" and "Dances: Suite No. 1" pay homage to and reinterpret lute pieces of the Renaissance; Rachmaninoff's "Piano Concerto No. 2" marks

his personal recovery from depression; and Mussorgsky's good friend Victor Hartmann is resurrected through a musical remembrance of his art ("Pictures at an Exhibition"). Guest artist Anne-Marie McDermott will join the Philharmonic on piano for the Rachmaninoff piece.

On Oct. 30 and Nov. 1, 2016, the Philharmonic presents *Classix Two: Tribute*. Reflections of cultural pride are on full display as the concert features the Reno Philharmonic's very own String Quartet and a program where each composer pays homage to his or her heritage. *Tribute* opens with a colorful piece by American composer Gabriela Lena Frank ("Concertino Cusqueno"), as she draws on her Lithuanian-Peruvian-Chinese heritage for inspiration, as well as music she loves written by English composer Benjamin Britten.

The orchestra then transitions to the music of Zoltán Kodály ("Dances of Galánta") who incorporated the folk tunes of his beloved bohemian homeland into his compositions and, finally, the quintessentially Russian sounds of Tchaikovsky ("Symphony No. 6").

In addition to stirring classical performances, the Reno Philharmonic entertains with several pops concerts throughout the year, including the holiday concert extravaganza *Spirit of the Season* Dec. 3-4, 2016. Conductor Jason Altieri and the

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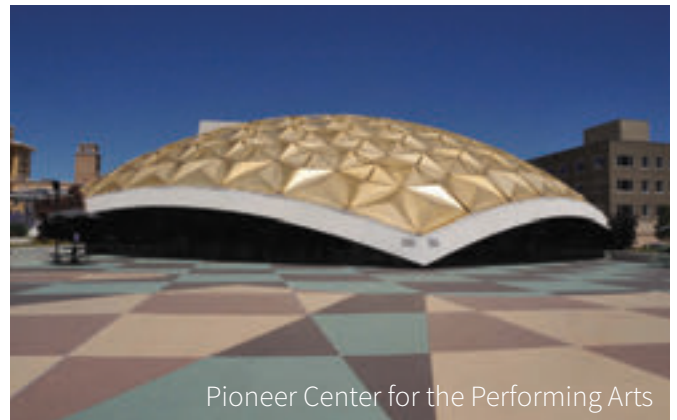
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orchestra will ring in the holidays with a multifaceted production that includes music, singing, dance, hand bells, Santa Claus and more. Audiences of all ages will hear classic carols and a wide sampling of holiday tunes. There will be three performances with 2 p.m. matinees on both days and an 8 p.m. show on Dec. 3.

Spirit of the Season is a great opportunity to introduce children to live music, which is one of the organization's most important missions. The Reno Philharmonic operates a variety of programs that bring music and education to thousands of the area's youth – including a free family concert offered on Saturday, Oct. 29 at 10 a.m. with a Dia de Los Muertos (Day of the Dead) theme.

Additionally, there are three outstanding youth orchestras with nearly 250 children from Northern Nevada and northeastern California. One of the orchestras, the Youth Symphony Orchestra, proudly represented Northern Nevada in May 2016 as they performed at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

Reno Philharmonic concerts will be held at the Pioneer Center for the Performing Arts at 100 S. Virginia Street in Reno. Prices for the *Classix* concerts begin at \$33, while seats for *Spirit of the Season* start at \$16. To purchase tickets or learn more about these and future concerts, visit renophil.com. ■



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3 reasons to return this winter



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Summertime in Reno is a beautiful thing. The days are hot, the nights are cool, and there is an endless supply of festivals and special events to choose from, each sure to delight and entertain. Floating the Truckee River tops your to-do list, and patio barbecues fill the air with delicious aromas. Even the sky is something to behold, with cotton candy sunsets leading to weekend firework shows after Aces baseball games at Greater Nevada Field, as if the Fourth of July lasts an entire season.

For as magical as the Biggest Little City is during the summer, many prefer visiting once the leaves start falling and the forecast calls for snow. If your travels have only brought you to the region for fun in the sun, we invite you to discover three reasons why the Reno-Tahoe area is the ideal winter destination.

1 Break a (Snow) Sweat

Lake Tahoe is known for its beaches and boating, but that same land is home to more than 22,000 acres of skiing and snowboarding trails. According to SkiHeavenly.com, annual snowfall averages 125 inches in South Lake Tahoe, and the number climbs to 300-500 inches annually at alpine skiing elevations. Nine world-class resorts are home to all that fresh powder, each with its own unique appeal.

Mt. Rose Ski Tahoe is the ski resort closest to the Reno-Tahoe International Airport, and it offers views of both Lake Tahoe and Reno from its slopes. Kirkwood Mountain Resort is home to some of the country's most diverse and challenging snow terrain, while Heavenly Mountain Resort's acreage is so large, visitors can ski in two states in the same day. Squaw Valley Ski Resort hosted the 1960 Winter Olympics, and Northstar California Resort prides itself on being a four-season family destination. Whether you are a beginner skier or expert snowboarder, you are bound to find something no matter which resort you call home.

If you prefer enjoying the snow in a more casual way, options abound in Lake Tahoe. Many of the major resorts offer hills for tubing and sledding, and some include ice rinks and guided snowshoe tours. Tahoe City Winter Sports Park is yet another possibility for these activities and is accessible for families and individuals alike. Located in the heart of Tahoe City, the park has groomed cross-country skiing paths, a sledding hill, a walking loop and even dog-friendly trails.

No matter your snow speed, Lake Tahoe is a vast winter wonderland just waiting to be explored.

2 Holiday in the 19th Century

The holiday season is a special time of year for many, full of shopping, family events and feasts of food. Ask Santa for the gift of time travel this year and you will be transported straight to Nevada, where visitors and residents alike can step back in time and celebrate a simpler Christmas.

Located less than an hour from Reno, Virginia City is a historic mining town that dates to 1859. It was even the home of famed author Samuel Clemens for a number of years, and it was here that the writer adopted his more well-known pen name of Mark Twain. Every December, Virginia City hosts Christmas on the Comstock, allowing visitors to experience a Victorian-style holiday celebration. The Old West town – complete with railroad tie sidewalks, old-fashioned saloons and costumed characters – feels as if you have stepped into another world, with events available for the whole family to enjoy. A *Christmas in the Sierra* concert takes place in the town's opera house, and the Parade of Lights fills the entire community with yuletide cheer. Guests also can ride the V & T Candy Cane Express, a vintage train that travels to neighboring Gold Hill while passengers savor hot chocolate, cider, cookies and – of course – candy canes.

Speaking of trains, it isn't Christmas in Northern Nevada until THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride returns to town. Based on the famous children's book *The Polar Express*, the train transports children and families directly into the pages of the story. Travel from Carson City to the North Pole in your coziest pajamas, and settle in for a live reenactment and reading of the original story. Kids (and kids at heart) can sip hot cocoa and nibble on cookies as carols are sung and characters from the story personally greet passengers. Once you have arrived at the North Pole, Santa will magically appear and present each child with his or her own silver sleigh bell, just like in the story.

These special experiences are truly unique to Nevada, and will be remembered by children for the rest of their lives. They may even become traditions children pass on to their own families in the future.

3 Something for Everyone

Reno is known as the Biggest Little City, and for good reason – it provides the same culture, entertainment and lifestyle options as big cities while maintaining the laid-back, “know your neighbor” attitude of small towns. As such, you



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will need multiple visits to truly experience everything Reno has to offer.

Spend an afternoon at the Nevada Museum of Art, the only American Alliance of Museums accredited art museum in the entire state, and get lost in works from various eras. Take in a Broadway show at the Pioneer Center for the Performing Arts, or discover your new favorite up-and-coming band at one of the many venues and lounges with free performances. Come for the popular festivals and stay for the five-star cuisine masterfully prepared by award-winning chefs from all over the city. Drink one of the many craft beers brewed right here in the state while you're at it.

The next time you visit the area, stick around for an extra day and explore the community that so many locals love to call home. We guarantee you will find a reason to return. ■

When the weather cools down, the real fun is just getting started in Northern Nevada. Perfect days lead into crisp nights – and every week is full of events sure to delight – no matter your age or preference. Hit the town and discover everything the area has to offer this fall, or find the reason you'll be back sooner rather than later.

RENO CELTIC CELEBRATION

Spend the weekend of October 1-2 celebrating Celtic culture with events including live pipe bands, Scottish and Irish dancers and Highland games at Bartley Ranch Regional Park. The family-friendly festival invites kids to meet Celtic critters at the Animal Village and to take part in their own athletic competitions. Visit renoceltic.org for more information.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP OUTHOUSE RACES

Twenty-seven years ago, angry Virginia City residents took their outhouses to the streets after outdoor plumbing was outlawed by the local government. Since then, the historic mining town has kept the tradition alive by hosting annual outhouse races down Main Street, featuring awards for categories like Ugliest Outhouse, Prettiest Outhouse and Most Unusual Outhouse. Relive a piece of Nevada's history and honor the golden age of outdoor plumbing from October 1-2. Learn more at visitvirginiacity.com.

ELDORADO GREAT ITALIAN FESTIVAL

Enjoy the sights, sounds and tastes of Italy from the Biggest Little City during the Eldorado Great Italian Festival. During the weekend of October 8-9, guests of all ages can partake in grape stomping, sauce sampling and the Eldorado's Famous Italian Dinner Buffet. Make sure to save room for the street food – traditional Italian fare including deep-fried ravioli, sausage sandwiches, chicken Parmesan and more. Visit eldoradoreno.com for more information.

RENO BITES RESTAURANT WEEK

Explore the area's emerging culinary scene during the fifth annual Reno Bites Week, held October 10-16 with restaurants participating all over town. Featuring prix fixe menus, specialty dishes and signature events, the week culminates with a Chef Showdown where Reno's best chefs will compete for prizes and bragging rights. Learn more at renobitesweek.com.

SPARKTOBERFEST HARVEST JAMBOREE

Combine the City of Sparks with Oktoberfest and you get Sparktoberfest, a day-long fair held October 15 in Victorian Square that celebrates German culture across Europe. Sample local craft beers, enjoy traditional food or participate in the Bier Spiele, a comical tournament of skills and stamina with prizes and awards for participants. Visit oktoberfestnv.com for details.

ACTRA NATIONAL FINALS

Once a year, Reno is home to the American Cowboys Team Roping Association's National Finals, where competitors from all over the country compete for the national title. From October 16-22, fans are invited to the Reno-Sparks Livestock Events Center to watch team roping events for free, as well as shop the many vendors offering everything from furniture and home goods to clothing, jewelry and more. Visit actra.org for more information.

RENO ZOMBIE CRAWL

Named one of the 10 best costumed Halloween parties in the United States by *USA Today*, the Reno Zombie Crawl returns from the dead for its ninth year in a row on October 22. More than 20,000 participants, often in elaborate costumes, are expected to descend on 50 different bars to take advantage of hundreds of drink specials and compete for prizes. One thousand zombies will perform Michael Jackson's "Thriller" under the iconic Reno Arch during the crawl, creating a sight you will have to see to believe. Learn more at crawlreno.com.

PUMPKINPALOOZA

Celebrating all things pumpkin, PumpkinPalooza takes over Sparks' Victorian Square with old-fashioned fun for the whole family on October 23. Named a top 10 fall event by *Food Network Magazine* in 2014, it features a pumpkin derby, a pumpkin beauty pageant and contests like marshmallow shooting, pie eating and mummy wrapping. Proceeds benefit the Northern Nevada Center for Independent Living. Visit pumpkinpalooza.org for more information.

NEVADA DAY PARADE

October 31 means more to Nevada than just Halloween. On this date in 1864, Nevada officially became the 36th state to enter the Union. Join us in celebrating the Battle Born State on October 29, where more than 200 parade entries including floats, marching bands, horses, celebrity guests and more will gather in Carson City, the state capital. Special events also include the Lieutenant Governor's Chili Feed, the Nevada Day Beard Contest and tours of the Governor's Mansion. Learn more at nevadaday.com.

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OFF BEAT ARTS & MUSIC FESTIVAL	A “festival crawl” unlike any other music event, Off Beat performances take place in a wide range of venues near downtown Reno, including large theaters, small bars, art galleries, restaurants and individual shops. Discover all the amazing things happening with Reno’s music, food and art scenes at this four-day festival November 3-6. Visit offbeatreno.com for more information.
28TH ANNUAL TAHOE CHOCOLATE & WINE FESTIVAL	Enjoy delectable chocolates created by Tahoe’s finest culinary artists and sample boutique wine from acclaimed California wine regions during this beloved event near Lake Tahoe on November 5. Proceeds from the live auction and exclusive raffle will support Tahoe SAFE Alliance, a non-profit helping to create violence-free communities in the region. Buy tickets and learn more at tahoechocolatefestival.org .
VETERANS DAY PARADE	On November 11, Reno will honor our veterans with a parade through the heart of downtown Reno. A gesture of sincere gratitude for their service, this family-friendly event will include ROTC groups from regional high schools, marching bands, honor guards, groups representing all the branches of military service and various veterans’ organizations. State and local dignitaries often attend. Learn more at reno.gov .
NEVADA WOLF PACK FOOTBALL	Root for the home team when the Wolf Pack, the University of Nevada’s football team, returns to Mackay Stadium for its final two home games of the regular season. The team takes on San Diego State on November 12 and Utah State on November 19. Visit nevadawolfpack.com for more information.
THE POLAR EXPRESS™ TRAIN RIDE	Classic characters from the famous children’s book come to life in this holiday train ride out of Carson City. From November 17 through December 23, guests are invited to wear pajamas as the children do in the story on this hour-long trip that includes a reading and reenactment of the tale. Everyone will go home with a souvenir sleigh bell to remember the journey, and you may even get the chance to meet Santa. Reserve your tickets now at vtrailway.com .
CITY OF SPARKS HOMETOWNE CHRISTMAS PARADE	Kick off the holiday season by joining the City of Sparks for a hometown celebration. The official tree lighting ceremony takes place December 2 in Victorian Square, with one lucky raffle winner thanking Santa for a \$10,000 grand prize. Before the parade on December 3, a 2-mile Ugly Sweater Fun Run will be a sight to see around Sparks Marina, with 100 percent of the proceeds benefitting Toys for Tots. Visit cityofsparks.us for additional details.

CHRISTMAS ON THE COMSTOCK

Step back in time this holiday season to Virginia City, where the annual Christmas on the Comstock celebration will transport you to the 19th century. Experience a Victorian-style Christmas on December 3 that will feel like a real-life fairy tale, with all-ages festivities including the Parade of Lights, Candy Cane Express train ride and photos with Father Christmas. Learn more at visitvirginiacitynv.com.

RENO SANTA CRAWL

Thousands of Santas will take over downtown Reno on December 10 for the largest Santa pub crawl in the nation. More than 15,000 revelers will eat, drink and be merry across 50 bars and lounges, with all proceeds going to local schools in need. Learn the festive songs for crawl caroling and purchase cups at renosantacrawl.com.

ELF THE MUSICAL

The modern-day Christmas movie classic with Will Ferrell has been transformed into a live musical that's fun for the whole family. Join Buddy the Elf as he discovers the true meaning of Christmas through a series of hilarious mishaps that take him from the North Pole to New York City. Shows run at the Pioneer Center for the Performing Arts December 16-18, with tickets available at pioneercenter.com.

GREAT SANTA DASH

Hundreds of Santas, as well as other holiday helpers, will take to the streets of Reno on December 17 for the most festive 5K race you have ever seen. Prance, dance, walk or run along the Truckee River and enjoy cocoa and cookie aid stations along the way. The after-party is sure to be ho-ho-hopping, with prizes, refreshments and a Christmas-themed photo booth. Visit crawlreno.com for more information.

NEVADA CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

Showcasing world-class musicians and the best in classical music, this annual event held at Nightingale Concert Hall features 11 unique concerts December 26-31 that culminate with a New Year's Eve celebration. Presented by the Reno Chamber Orchestra, the festival will include many of the world's most renowned classical musicians. Learn more at renochamberorchestra.org.

SNOWGLOBE MUSIC FESTIVAL

Ring in 2017 with the SnowGlobe Music Festival, held at South Lake Tahoe from December 29-31. Bands and DJs accompany a wide range of food and drink vendors, and live winter sports action adds to the excitement. It'll be cold and snowy, so pack your warmest gear. Visit snowglobemusicfestival.com for details. ■



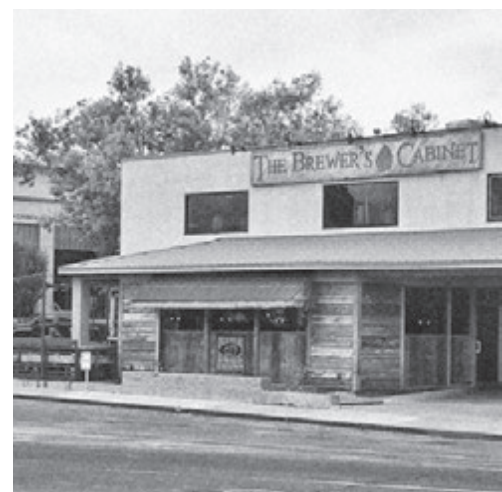
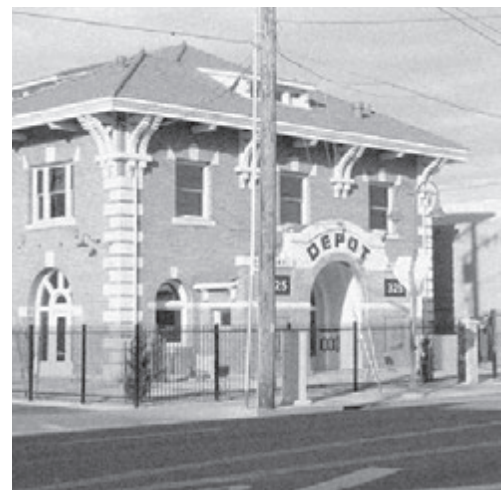
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BREW scene

It may come as a surprise to those unfamiliar with Northern Nevada, but Reno has quickly become a destination for beer lovers. Currently home to 20 breweries and distilleries – with more on the way – the local brewmasters have put the city on the map thanks to flourishing tap rooms, countless beer pairing dinners and numerous awards from national competitions. Reno is now home to many annual beer events as well, including Canfest, Strange Brew Festival and Reno Craft Beer Week.

While the local brews often follow the classic beer variations represented in the national market, what makes these homegrown beers special are the batches that reflect our region's resources, produce and seasonal flavors. Another factor that sets apart the city's brew scene is the embrace of competition, as the various breweries and distilleries often work together to create a stronger, more creative atmosphere that benefits all beer drinkers.

There are numerous options for grabbing a drink in the area, and Under the Rose Brewing Company, The Depot Craft Brewery Distillery and The Brewer's Cabinet are all excellent places to start sampling some local brews. They may even require a second visit so you can take home a growler full of your favorite ale.



Under the Rose Brewing Company

Opened in 2013, Under the Rose Brewing Company is one of the newer breweries in Reno. Named after the county's highest mountain, Mount Rose, the brewery always has numerous varieties of American, Belgian, French and European-style brews on rotation. No matter what your palate is in the mood for, chances are the taproom has something to suit your fancy. If you can't decide on just one beer, the sample flight is a perfect way to taste much of what Under the Rose has to offer.

Pair the classic, hybrid and sometimes experimental brews with the laid-back vibe of its tasting room and it is easy to see why this is a great place to unwind or hang out with friends. If a trip to the brewery does not fit into your schedule, you are likely to come across some of the company's beers in one of the 40 different restaurants and bars in the Reno-Tahoe area that offer Under the Rose on tap.

There is no kitchen in the taproom, but guests can drink great beer while playing games of bocce, foosball, ping pong or giant Jenga. If you're looking to create your own Under the Rose beer dinner, the brewmaster offers pairing recommendations on the company's website (undertherosebrewing.com).

Under the Rose Brewing Company is located at 559 East 4th Street in Reno, and the tasting room is open Thursday and Friday from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday from noon to 10 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m.

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The Depot Craft Brewery Distillery

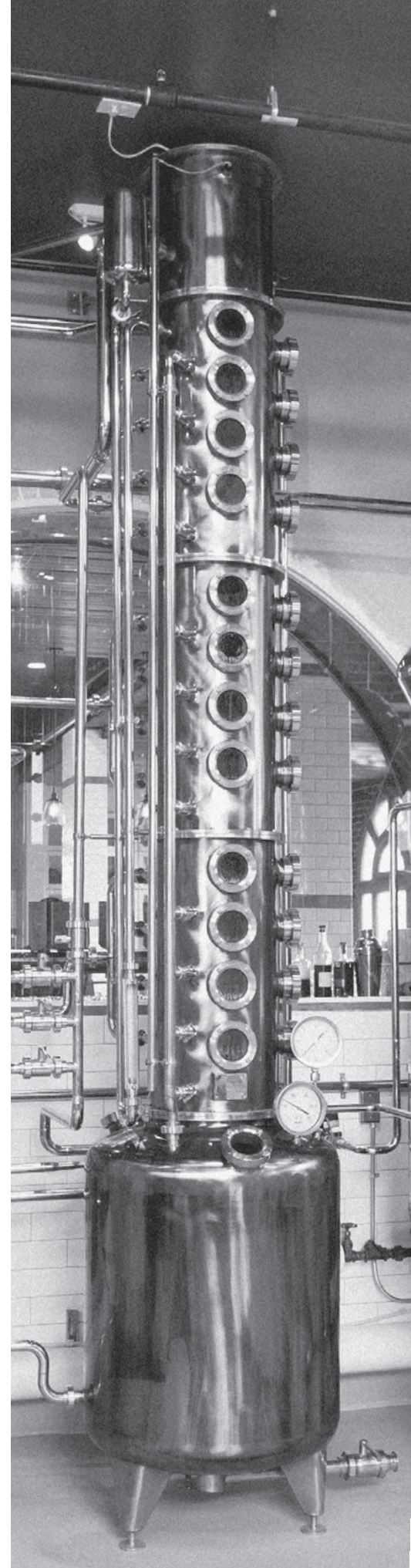
Before entering The Depot Craft Brewery Distillery for a meal and drinks, it is hard to overlook the grand exterior of the sturdy 1910 building that in a past life was the headquarters of the Nevada-California-Oregon Railway. Once inside, the interior is inviting with warm yellow wood, white subway tiles and the natural sunlight that flows in through the countless windows.

The traditional style of the building is mirrored in the brewing and distilling techniques used by The Depot brewmasters who create 15 craft brews and in-house distilled spirits, including whiskey, bourbon and gin. Classic methods like cereal cooking of local grains, decoction brewing, open fermentations and the horizontal lagering tanks for beer might not be the route many newer breweries would take, but the centuries-old methods are sacred to The Depot.

Respect for tradition is inherent in crafting the spirits as well, which are proudly created from start to finish in the region. The Depot works with local farmers to select the best grains, which are then milled, cooked and sent into traditional open-style fermenters housed in the building before being placed in copper and steel stills for a double distillation. Finally, the batches are left to age in small wooden barrels on the third floor above diners and drinkers.

It might seem like The Depot's sole focus would be the beers and spirits it produces, but the same thoughtfulness is carried over to the kitchen's menu. Traditional offerings like burgers, fish and chips, and macaroni and cheese grace the menu, but there are also fresh and vibrant salads, filling sandwiches and entrées that hold their own next to a glass of housemade beer or spirits.

The Depot Craft Brewery Distillery is located at 325 East 4th Street in Reno, and is open Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.



The Brewer's Cabinet

No strangers to the Northern Nevada brewing scene, the three longtime friends and founders of The Brewer's Cabinet (Zachary Cage, Michael Connolly and Chris Kahl) already had successfully opened three favorite local spots (Legends Grill Sports and Spirits, Ole Bridge Pub and Sierra Tap House) before opening The Brewer's Cabinet in 2012.

Inspired by the craft beer market and the community that has supported them throughout the years, the trio felt it was time to make their own beers and help create a stronger community among the local businesses. Creative beermasters were hired to craft small batches of beers that would entice customers with unique flavors and bring something to the table that other companies weren't offering. Along the way, countless collaborations with other local breweries and businesses have led to great creation with the proceeds benefiting charities in the area.

Today, guests will find that the warm and welcoming reclaimed wood booths and the beer garden are perfect spots to enjoy a pint of Dirty Wookie, 1982 Cantaloupe Sour or any of the other offerings on tap. Just as tempting as the beers are the breakfast, lunch and dinner menus with dishes that highlight local produce and work harmoniously with the flavors of the beer.

Even with the success of all their businesses, The Brewer's Cabinet founders' inventiveness continues to generate new ideas. Allowing their creative sides to run free while taking their mission to help facilitate a stronger brewing scene seriously, the Strange Brew Festival – which takes place annually in May – was born. With a motto of "Expect the unexpected!" this year's festival saw craft brews of Piña Colada Hefe, Three Radish Berliner Weisse, and Coconut and Lime Stout, just to name a few, from more than 20 local breweries.

The Brewer's Cabinet is located at 475 S. Arlington Avenue in Reno, and is open weekdays from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. and weekends from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. ■





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Virginia CITY

One of the nation's largest national historic districts and a "step back in time" is only about a 30-minute drive from Reno. With its wooden boardwalk sidewalk and historic buildings, Virginia City, Nevada, offers a real glimpse to what mining life on the Comstock was like back in the late 1800s.

A visit here truly allows one to step back in time. At its peak, Virginia City was a thriving metropolis of 25,000 people. The bountiful discovery of the Comstock Lode in the late 1850s drew men and women from around the world to live and work in this high-desert town. Virginia City became one of the most important industrial cities this side of Denver with the silver from the mines helping to build San Francisco and, most importantly, help finance the Civil War and thus propelling Nevada into statehood.

Today, not a whole lot has changed. Virginia City isn't an amusement park – it's the real deal. It's an authentic visit to a historic mining town that is proud of its roots and thrives on its history. Visitors can get a taste of the past and see what it was like living and working here in the late 19th century.

C Street, the town's main drag, is lined with saloons, eateries, fascinating museums and quaint shops. At one point in its history, the town boasted more than 100 saloons. Today, a good number of saloons remain and make excellent stops to quench visitors thirsty from trekking the steep hills around town. Several of these watering holes lay claim to stories of ghosts. Some say Janis Joplin, who was a regular star at the Red Dog Saloon, still haunts the stage there today. Virginia City is a mecca for ghost hunters with noted ghost sightings at many establishments, including the Washoe Club, Mackay Mansion and the Gold Hill Hotel, Nevada's oldest operating hotel.

Virginia City is home to a few historic characters, too. Samuel Clemens first used the pen name Mark Twain while working at the local paper, *The Territorial Enterprise*. The Mark Twain Museum at the Territorial Enterprise Building offers a glimpse at the room where he worked and the desk where he authored many stories.

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There was no real underground mining until the discovery of silver in Virginia City. Mining tours of the Ponderosa Mine, located in the back of the old Bank of California building, or the Chollar Mine on F Street, allow guests to see the workings of a real underground mine. For an adventure above ground, take a ride on the V&T Railroad, the train that transported gold and silver ore from Virginia City to Carson City and beyond. Then hop on the Virginia City Trolley to get a ride around town and learn fascinating history as you travel the streets.

Other activities include taking an old-time family portrait or panning for gems at the Virginia City Mining Company. Venture off the main road to find even more unique history like the only operating gold stamp mill in the United States.

Teaching kids to love history is easy when it's something they can experience for themselves. Make your first stop the Visitors Center, located at 86 South C Street, to purchase discounted attraction and museum passes.

Virginia City offers two kid-friendly mine tours, the Chollar Mine and the Ponderosa Mine Tour. For an authentic mine tour, explore the Chollar Mine. With its riches first located in 1859, the Chollar Mine (later the Chollar Potosi) was one of the leading producers on the Comstock. Over the first 80 years, miners blasted and carted out some \$17 million in gold and silver. The Nevada Mill was erected in 1887 to process the vast amounts of ore taken out of the mine. Today, the mine is open for visitors to enjoy a guided tour that lasts a half hour and is a 400-foot, level walk. Visitors can see square set timbering, silver ore and rock drills, as well as displays of old mining equipment.

The Ponderosa Mine Tour features the Best and Belcher mine shafts, and is conveniently located just a few doors down from the Visitors Center in the back of the Ponderosa Saloon. The tour guide takes groups into the depths of the mine to experience what it was really like, giving guests a glimpse into the dark and harsh conditions that many had to work with.

Once you emerge into the daylight, let the kids discover another kind of mining – panning. Just across the street from the Ponderosa, the Virginia City Mining Company offers kids and adults the chance to strike it rich panning for either gems or gold.

Virginia City also is famous for treating kids to sugary goodness. Head north on C Street to Red's Old Fashioned Candies for candied apples in a variety of flavors. Take a short walk to Grandma's Fudge Factory for chocolate samples and amazing fudge flavors, then finish off the sugar rush at Barrels of Candy, where kids' eyes pop at the sight of so much sweet goodness, including a variety of taffy.

For more information, visit online at VisitVirginiaCityNV.com or call 775.847.7500. ■



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The Sweet Stuff

Taken from the French word *desservir*, meaning “to clear the table,” there is no better description of the sweet course that arrives at the conclusion of a meal. First noted as being fed to the gods of ancient Mesopotamia and India, desserts originally were created with sweeteners like dried fruit and honey, before the use of sugarcane became an industry staple.

The age-old, mythic past is part of the future, as the Peppermill culinary team continues the tradition of dessert innovation, creating a vast selection of sweet treats unique to each dining outlet. Headed by Executive Chef Mark Lund and Executive Pastry Chef Cindy McCormack, the team works as a unit to create and offer the best desserts possible.

The resort’s bakery is busy from morning until night, and it is where the highly skilled staff work in shifts to produce its delectable concoctions. The mornings begin with mixing and production, followed by afternoons of decorating sweet treats and the cutting, folding and filling of pastries into the late evening. In addition to traditional baked goods and breads, the bakery is also where custom wedding cakes, whimsical cupcakes and 120 gallons of fresh gelato are made daily.

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With cooler months come fall harvests, bringing a plethora of sumptuous fruits and vegetables to the marketplace. Apples, pumpkins and butternut squash are autumn staples that are often incorporated into the Peppermill's desserts and pastries. The resort uses regional and sustainable products as often as possible, working in tandem with local farms to provide the freshest ingredients available in the fall dishes.

"We take seasonality into account, as well as how far we can stretch the season's offerings, when planning our fall dessert menus," said Chef Lund. "We want guests to experience something that is in season, ripe, local and delicious, and we need to know that the produce we choose to incorporate has the longevity our menus need."

Coinciding with the Peppermill's commitment to sustainability, the team is looking into the possibility of pairing with local hydroponic farms to have fresh produce grown year-round. This would allow seasonal elements, like winter berries, to be available at all times and help ensure product consistency.

"An advantage to sourcing sustainable produce is that the money is staying in the community and helping local farms," said Chef Lund. "By developing these relationships and helping them grow their farms, the guests benefit from the quality of produce the farmers can provide."

Savory flavors and a variety of textures are incorporated into autumn desserts as well. More traditionally, the flavors follow the seasons. Indulgent dark chocolates bring warmth and intensity during fall and winter, while lighter milk chocolates delight during the warmer months. This fall, the new, handmade truffles

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reflect the long, dark nights with rich dark chocolate shells and are readily available at Biscotti's Café and Café Espresso. To further enhance a guest's experience, chefs have balanced multiple textures within the dish – such as crispiness, creaminess and chewiness – to maximize palatability, flavor and enjoyment.

Industry trends also come into play when planning a fall dessert menu at the resort. While most chefs always want to be ahead of the curve when it comes to the latest styles, a balance must be struck between innovative, experimental ideas and the dishes guests are requesting.

One of the more popular and approachable current trends is dehydration, which allows new flavors to be introduced to a dish in a more modest way. Charred jalapeños can add an unexpected spicy twist to a sweet dish once dehydrated and used as a garnish, with the atypical flavor combination of



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an intermezzo featuring cranberry sorbet, goat cheese and jalapeño being a treat for the senses. Or consider the surprise of cilantro finishing a plate instead of mint, as this playful touch is sure to liven up any fall dish. The art of experimentation is in finding the happy medium between what's popular, what's traditional and what's best for the business of delighting guests.

What the Peppermill team truly enjoys is reintroducing holiday classics with a twist, done by recreating dishes with different plating or introducing new flavor pairings. Pumpkin can be added to tiramisu, mixing a traditional dessert with fall elements that play on your taste buds.

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A cheesecake inversion, with an overall graham cracker coating, is a fun, new way to experience a time-tested dessert. These concoctions may be a challenge to invent and successfully pull off, but these reimagined seasonal favorites allow the chefs' creativity to truly shine through on a plate.

The classics are not forgotten, though, and there is no shortage of apple pies and peach cobblers in the Peppermill's dining establishments. Rich chocolate cakes and creamy cheesecakes are always readily available for those who do not dare venture far into newer temptations.



Though the sweet treats return year after year, the chefs continue to make small tweaks to fall favorites, ensuring the best-quality ingredients on the market are being used.

Whether you fancy apple pies bursting with cinnamon, pastries full of delicate creams or a creative, seasonal play on traditional favorites, the Peppermill is sure to deliver what your sweet tooth desires. Your imagination is the limit this autumn – just make sure you leave room for dessert. ■



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4 DAYS OF ART, MUSIC AND FUN NOVEMBER 3 - 6, 2016

The second annual Off Beat Arts & Music Festival is preparing for another legendary year of showcasing Northern Nevada's growing music, art and culinary scenes. The city-wide festival, held November 3-6, 2016, promises to be "bigger and better" with an outstandingly curated selection of emerging regional bands and nationally recognized artists, further building upon the wonderful tradition of special events in the Reno-Tahoe area. Proceeds from the event will benefit the non-profit Future Kind and its Upbeat Reno program, which provides equal access to arts and music education to the community.

"We are already blown away by the level of local talents we have returning," co-founder Flip Wright said. "We also have an unbelievable lineup of some of the best rising talent from places like the Bay Area, L.A., Portland, Seattle and more. Our second year is going to make for an incredible festival. We promise you'll leave the festival with more than a few new favorite bands."

Events will take place in a variety of indoor venues, galleries, retail outlets, restaurants, bars and nightclubs throughout Reno's Downtown, MidTown and the newly renamed Old Brewery District. Music venues include Cargo Reno, Morris Burner Hotel, The Saint, Rockbar Theater, Chapel Tavern and Peppermill's EDGE Nightclub.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE VENUES AND ACTS FOR THE FESTIVAL,
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NOVEMBER 3 • THURSDAY

LOLO 7:30pm – 8:30pm • Cargo Reno (255 N Virginia St)

THE SOFT WHITE SIXTIES 9:00pm – 10:00pm • Cargo Reno (255 N Virginia St)

THE LAST INTERNATIONALE 10:30pm – 11:45pm • Cargo Reno (255 N Virginia St)

NOVEMBER 4 • FRIDAY

FRESH BAKIN' & NOTOWN BEATS PINK PARTY TBA • 1-Up (214 W Commercial Row)

MYTH & ICONS: STORIES THAT INSPIRE 6:00pm – 8:00pm • Brūka Theater (99 N Virginia St)

CRUSH 7:00pm – 8:00pm • Rockbar Theater (211 N Virginia St)

AARON MARK BROWN 7:00pm – 8:00pm • The Saint (761 S Virginia St)

KILLER WHALE 7:10pm – 8:10pm • Studio on 4th (432 E 4th St)

SCHIZOPOLITANS 7:15pm – 8:15pm • Morris Burner Hostel (400 E 4th St)

CRANIAL GALACTIC ORCHESTRA 7:30pm – 8:30pm • Jub Jub's Thirst Parlor (71 S Wells Ave)

KENDRA MCKINLEY 7:30pm – 8:30pm • The Loving Cup (188 California Ave)

EVERYDAY OUTLAW 7:45pm – 8:45pm • Chapel Tavern (1099 S Virginia St)

CON BRIO 8:00pm – 9:30pm • Cargo Reno (255 N Virginia St)

BE CALM HONCHO 8:20pm – 9:20pm • The Saint (761 S Virginia St)

4 PIECE PUZZLE W/ MOLLY TAYLOR 8:30pm – 9:30pm • 3rd St Bar (125 W 3rd St)

ASPHALT SOCIALITES 8:30pm – 9:30pm • Rockbar Theater (211 N Virginia St)

FLAURAL 8:35pm – 9:35pm • Studio on 4th (432 E 4th St)

CAMPION 8:50pm – 9:35pm • Morris Burner Hostel (400 E 4th St)

SISTERS DOOM 9:00pm – 10:00pm • The Jub Jub's Thirst Parlor (71 S Wells Ave)

RIGOROUS PROOF 9:00pm – 10:00pm • The Loving Cup (188 California Ave)

U ON U POETRY SLAM 9:00pm – 11:00pm • Bruka Theater (99 N Virginia St)

JAKE HOUSTON AND THE ROYAL FLUSH 9:15pm – 10:15pm • Chapel Tavern (1099 S Virginia St)

THE SHAMES 9:30pm – 10:30pm • Shea's Tavern (715 S Virginia St)

EVERYONE IS DIRTY 9:40pm – 10:40pm • The Saint (761 S Virginia St)

SNEAKY PETE AND THE SECRET WEAPONS 9:45pm – 10:45pm • NoVi - Eldorado (345 N Virginia St)

SWAMP ZEN 9:50pm – 10:50pm • 3rd St Bar (125 W 3rd St)

CITIZEN ZERO 10:00pm – 11:00pm • Rockbar Theater (211 N Virginia St)

FRANKIE & THE WITCH FINGERS 10:00pm – 11:00pm • Studio on 4th (432 E 4th St)

SISTERS 10:15pm – 11:15pm • Morris Burner Hostel (400 E 4th St)

THE MAIN SQUEEZE 10:15pm – 11:45pm • Cargo Reno (255 N Virginia St)

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LAVISH GREEN 10:30pm – 11:30pm • Jub Jub's Thirst Parlor (71 S Wells Ave)

FAUNA SHADE 10:30pm – 11:30pm • The Loving Cup (188 California Ave)

THE AMERICANS 10:45pm – 11:45pm • Chapel Tavern (1099 S Virginia St)

THICK BUSINESS 11:00pm – 12:00am • The Saint (761 S Virginia St)

DAD WORKS HARD 11:00pm – 12:30am • Shea's Tavern (715 S Virginia St)

ACHILLES WHEEL 11:10pm – 12:10am • 3rd St Bar (125 W 3rd St)

JESUS SONS 11:25pm – 12:25am • Studio on 4th (432 E 4th St)

GENE EVARD JR. 11:30pm – 12:30am • NoVi - Eldorado (345 N Virginia St)

STRANGE WEATHER 11:30pm – 12:30am • Rockbar Theater (211 N Virginia St)

NVO 11:45pm – 12:45am • Morris Burner Hostel (400 E 4th St)

ELEPHANT RIFLE 12:00am – 1:00am • Jub Jub's Thirst Parlor (71 S Wells Ave)

BATTLEHOOD 12:00am – 1:00am • The Loving Cup (188 California Ave)

MATTHEW & THE HOPE 12:15am – 1:15am • Chapel Tavern (1099 S Virginia St)

LOUNGE ON FIRE 12:20am – 1:20am • The Saint (761 S Virginia St)

LONESOME LOCOMOTIVE 12:30am – 1:30am • 3rd St Bar (125 W 3rd St)

JELLY BREAD 12:30am – 2:00am • Cargo Reno (255 N Virginia St)

SKRATCH BASTID 12:30am – 2:00am • Edge Nightclub - Peppermill (2707 S Virginia St)

WEEED 12:45am – 1:45am • Studio on 4th (432 E 4th St)

NOVEMBER 5 • SATURDAY

SCOTT NICE TBA • Cargo Reno (255 N Virginia St)

THE POLISH AMBASSADOR TBA • Cargo Reno (255 N Virginia St)

OFF BEAT ALLEY ART & MUSIC WALK PRESENTED BY FUTURE KIND - CRAFT RENO (FEATURING KENDRA MCKINLEY, SISTERS & KILLER WHALE) 1:00pm – 5:00pm • Craft Wine & Beer - Reno (22 Martin St)

OFF BEAT ALLEY ART & MUSIC WALK PRESENTED BY FUTURE KIND - THE SAINT (FEATURING TWIN ENGINE, NVO & LOUNGE ON FIRE) 1:00pm – 5:00pm • The Saint (761 S Virginia St)

OFF BEAT ALLEY ART & MUSIC WALK PRESENTED BY FUTURE KIND - THE CHAPEL (FEATURING EL CAMINO, MATTHEW & THE HOPE & JESUS SONS) 1:00pm – 5:30pm • Chapel Tavern (1099 S Virginia St)

VANWAVE 7:00pm – 8:00pm • Chapel Tavern (1099 S Virginia St)

THE CONVULSIONAIRES 7:00pm – 8:00pm • Rockbar Theater (211 N Virginia St)

BIG SEARCH 7:00pm – 8:00pm • Studio on 4th (432 E 4th St)

WEEED 7:10pm – 8:10pm • Jub Jub's Thirst Parlor (71 S Wells Ave)

ACTORS KILLED LINCOLN 7:15pm – 8:15pm • Morris Burner Hostel (400 E 4th St)

GENTLE SPIRIT 7:20pm – 8:20pm • The Saint (761 S Virginia St)

FUTURE TWIN 7:30pm – 8:30pm • The Loving Cup (188 California Ave)

SUN VALLEY GUN CLUB 8:00pm – 9:00pm • 3rd St Bar (125 W 3rd St)

BIG STICKY MESS 8:00pm – 9:00pm • NoVi - Eldorado (345 N Virginia St)

THE UTILITY PLAYERS 8:00pm – 9:30pm • Jester Theater - Sand's Regency (345 N. Arlington Ave)

SUGAR CANDY MOUNTAIN 8:20pm – 9:20pm • Studio on 4th (432 E 4th St)

THE FANTODS 8:30pm – 9:30pm • Chapel Tavern (1099 S Virginia St)

POSTWAR 8:30pm – 9:30pm • Rockbar Theater (211 N Virginia St)

GLITTER WIZARD 8:40pm – 9:40pm • Jub Jub's Thirst Parlor (71 S Wells Ave)

BOURGEOIS GYPSIES 8:45pm – 9:45pm • Morris Burner Hostel (400 E 4th St)

FAILURE MACHINE 8:50pm – 9:50pm • The Saint (761 S Virginia St)

LEE BOB AND THE TRUTH 9:00pm – 10:00pm • The Loving Cup (188 California Ave)

BLACK ROCK CITY ALLSTARS 9:30pm – 10:30pm • 3rd St Bar (125 W 3rd St)

MOJO GREEN 9:30pm – 10:30pm • NoVi - Eldorado (345 N Virginia St)

VOODOO CATS 9:40pm – 10:40pm • Rockbar Theater (211 N Virginia St)

LEVITATION ROOM 9:40pm – 10:40pm • Studio on 4th (432 E 4th St)

WESTERN CENTURIES 10:00pm – 11:00pm • Chapel Tavern (1099 S Virginia St)

L.A. WITCH 10:10pm – 11:10pm • Jub Jub's Thirst Parlor (71 S Wells Ave)

SNEAKY PETE AND THE SECRET WEAPONS 10:15pm – 11:15pm • Morris Burner Hostel (400 E 4th St)

NRVS LVRS 10:15pm – 11:15pm • The Saint (761 S Virginia St)

THE GRIZZLED MIGHTY 10:30pm – 11:30pm • The Loving Cup (188 California Ave)

DRINKING WITH CLOWNS 11:00pm – 12:00am • 3rd St Bar (125 W 3rd St)

JELLY BREAD 11:00pm – 12:00am • NoVi - Eldorado (345 N Virginia St)

THE BLANK TAPES 11:00pm – 12:00am • Studio on 4th (432 E 4th St)

GREG GOLDEN BAND 11:00pm – 12:30am • Rockbar Theater (211 N Virginia St)

THE EASY LEAVES 11:30pm – 12:30am • Chapel Tavern (1099 S Virginia St)

LSD AND THE SEARCH FOR GOD 11:40pm – 12:40am • Jub Jub's Thirst Parlor (71 S Wells Ave)

BUSKING BY MOONLIGHT 11:45pm – 12:45am • Morris Burner Hostel (400 E 4th St)

THE SESHEN 11:45pm – 12:45am • The Saint (761 S Virginia St)

DAD WORKS HARD 12:00am – 1:00am • The Loving Cup (188 California Ave)

ANNIE GIRL AND THE FLIGHT 12:20am – 1:20am • Studio on 4th (432 E 4th St)

40 WATT HYPE 12:30am – 1:30am • 3rd St Bar (125 W 3rd St)

NOVEMBER 6 • SUNDAY

MOONDOG MATINEE 8:00pm – 9:30pm • Cargo Reno (255 N Virginia St)

THE VEILS 10:00pm – 11:30pm • Cargo Reno (255 N Virginia St)

FUTURE TWIN 7:30pm – 8:30pm • The Loving Cup (188 California Ave)

Eating like a *local*



Welcome to MidTown, a flourishing up-and-coming district in the heart of Reno. A neighborhood well-loved for decades, local business and property owners began rallying with the goal of improving the area for everyone who lives, visits and works in the community. While the district hasn't always been the home turf of the Reno hipster, the revitalizations have truly transformed MidTown and filled the neighborhood with previously missing niches.

Located between Liberty Street and Plumb Lane to the north and south, and Plumas Street and Holcomb Avenue to the west and east, MidTown begins where Downtown Reno ends. The district is home to a variety of locally owned shops like Happy Happy Joy Joy (a store chock-full of little and big kid toys, gifts and art books), and The Neon Dragonfly (an eclectic boutique featuring home décor, specialty lamps, clothing, accessories and a craft workshop in the back). Lifestyle and fitness options abound as well, including MidTown Community Yoga, Black Hole Body Piercing and Double Edge Fitness. You'll need to put aside multiple days to explore all the unique neighborhood businesses.

MidTown is best known for its dining options – where restaurant owners want to be and foodies want to eat. Offering a wide variety of cuisines for every day of the week, the cafés and eateries here are sure to satisfy whatever craving you might have. Places like Centro Bar & Restaurant, MidTown Eats and Lulou's have raised the standard of dining in the neighborhood, and continuously bring crowds of people to the area with its creative dishes.

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Centro Bar & Restaurant

Great for: lunch, dinner, drinks

One glance at the food and cocktail menus at Centro Bar & Restaurant and you'll quickly realize that choosing between the seasonal dishes and drinks is not going to be easy. Using locally sourced goods to bring Reno fresh quality food, the tapas-style small plates encourage the sharing and sampling of different flavor combinations. The wine menu features both old and new world wines, and the cocktail selection is routinely updated with new choices. Visit with a friend and delight in the Coconut Mai Tai, a drink for two that combines cachaça rum, scotch, orgeat, lemon, banana, cranberry, pineapple and toasted coconut.

The lunch and dinner menus inspire the diner to be adventurous, and some dishes that should not be missed are the Filthy Fries, Crispy Brussels Sprouts and Sticky Thai Ribs. These plates are menu mainstays no matter the season, said Centro executive chef Zachary Mason.

At the foundation of the Filthy Fries are crispy potato wedges that serve as the perfect vehicle for the beer cheese sauce, cotija cheese, short rib house bacon, cherry peppers and balsamic gremolata that

top them off. All these flavors hit the sweet, spicy, acidic and salty notes you want in a bite. If you prefer something lighter, try the Crispy Brussels Sprouts with lavender bacon, vermouth caramelized onions and citrus finishing the dish.

Centro's ribs come with two flavor options – Sticky Thai or Asian BBQ – and while both are delicious, the Sticky Thai really packs a flavor explosion with creamy peanut puree, pickled pear and sesame. Pair this with an alcoholic Thai Tea, made with Thai tea-infused bourbon, coconut cream, lemon and turbinado sugar, and you will be set for a five-star experience.

Centro Bar & Restaurant is located at 236 California Avenue in Reno, open Sunday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Midtown Eats

Great for: lunch, dinner, drinks, Sunday brunch

Minimalistic in décor, but not in flavor, Midtown Eats is a local favorite, making it no surprise that the restaurant is usually packed during peak hours. However, this eatery that bills itself as a modern take on ageless taste is well worth the wait. Whether dining during lunch or dinner, the artisanal burgers are always available, with meat options including lamb, bison and elk for the more adventurous eater. If you are looking to share, try the Snacks selections of Beer Battered Cauliflower, Sweet & Smokey Popcorn with a housemade bourbon maple syrup or Crispy Kalettes, a combination of kale and Brussels sprouts.

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Brunch is a cannot-miss meal at Midtown Eats and is served every Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Three Benedict choices await – Midtown, Steak and Veggie – and the yuzu hollandaise that accompanies the first two dishes is creamy and flavorful. Those with a sweet tooth might want to order the Brioche French Toast, paired wonderfully with a housemade bourbon syrup and seasonal fruit to lighten the dish. Drinks often accompany a weekend brunch, and this restaurant puts its unique spin on the libations by offering fizzes, which must be ordered to be truly understood and enjoyed. With names like Black Gunpowder, Henry C. Ramos and Carmellow, the whimsical concoctions are sure to grab your attention.

Midtown Eats is located at 18 Cheney Street in Reno, open Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sunday Brunch from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday dinner from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Lulou's

Great for: dinner

Whether you're celebrating a special occasion or just need a fancy night on the town, Lulou's is the place to go. One of Reno's most exquisite restaurants for years, this MidTown destination has many people comparing it to the fine dining scene in San Francisco. Word of mouth may be responsible for this hidden gem gaining such popularity, as the restaurant has no official website or social media presence – only that which was created by satisfied diners. As such, you will feel like a true MidTown insider after dining here.

The menu showcases proteins and preparations that stay true to a traditional high-end steakhouse. Take your pick from standard cuts of meat like ribeyes and filets, or tempt your taste buds with options that can include yellowfin tuna, quail, duck, baby octopus and foie gras. The dishes are ever-changing, but always feature beautifully plated and innovative choices that play with international flavors. Ingredients are often listed in interesting ways as well – like pork floss and burnt bread – that intrigue your expectations on multiple levels.

Let the mystery of Lulou's pique your curiosity, and make your reservations for a once-in-a-lifetime dining experience.

Lulou's is located at 1470 S. Virginia Street in Reno, open Tuesday through Saturday from 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. ■

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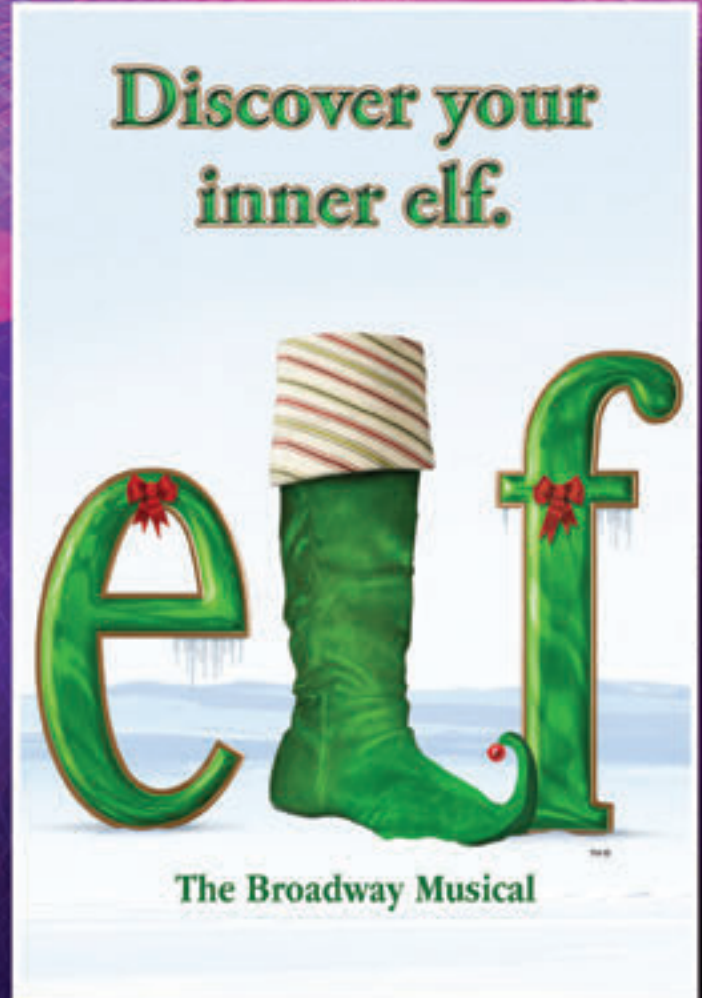
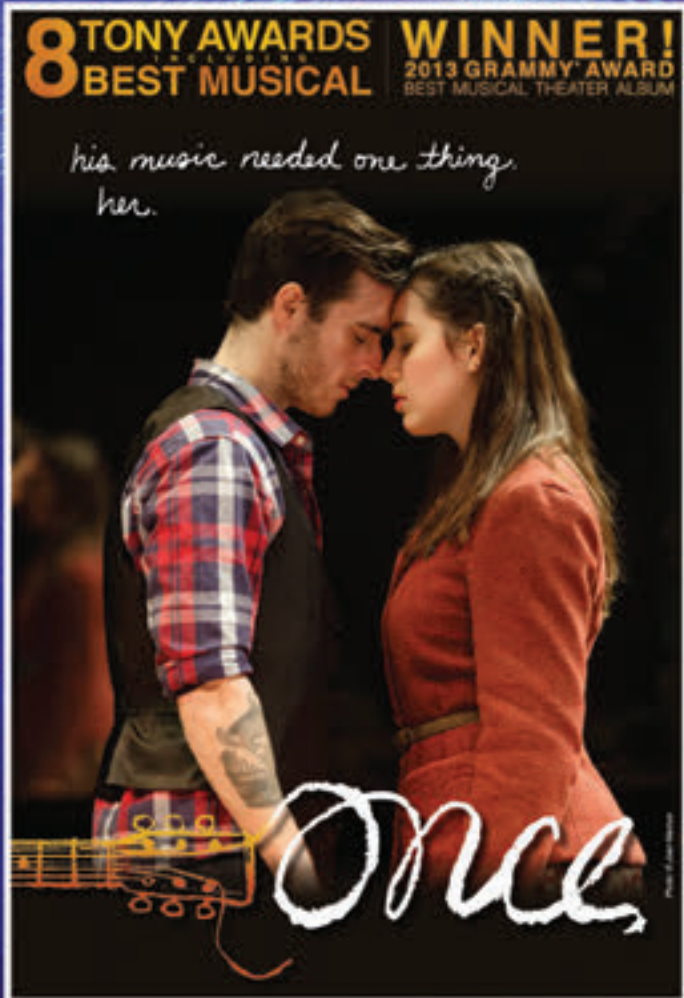
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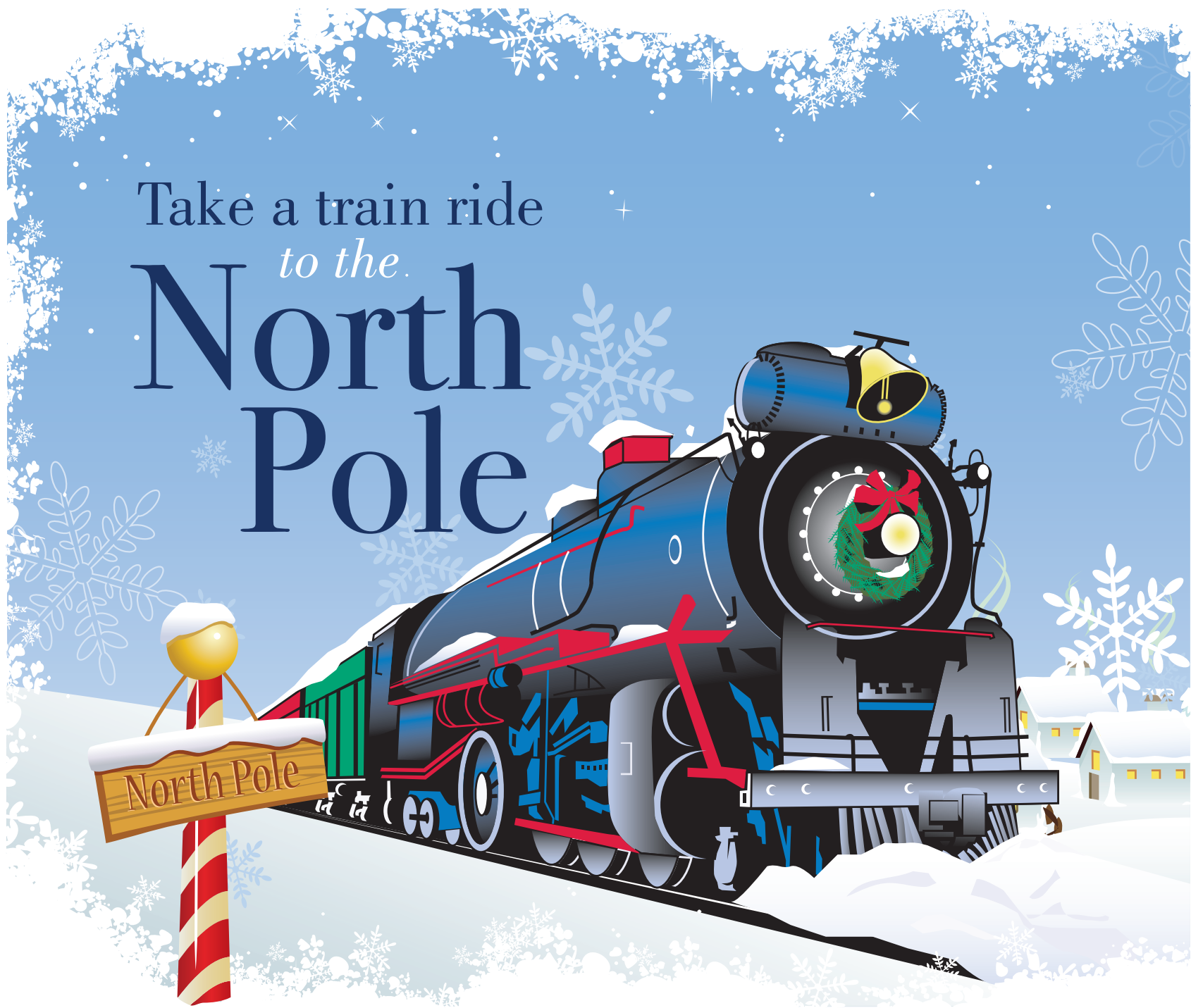
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Take a train ride *to the.* North Pole



Both children and those young at heart will find holiday joy on the Virginia & Truckee Railroad's wildly popular holiday adventure to the North Pole via THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride. The holiday schedule of enchanted train rides runs from November 17 through December 23, 2016. For the past five years, every seat on every train has sold out for the V&T magical trip, making it imperative for parents and grandparents to plan early.

This unforgettable train ride is based on the popular book *The Polar Express* by Chris Van Allsburg and movie, which tell the story of a doubting young boy who takes an extraordinary train ride to the North Pole. Once there, he embarks on a journey of self-discovery that shows him how the wonder of life never fades for those who believe.

Set to the motion picture soundtrack, families aboard the holiday train can relive the story's magic in an hour-long journey filled with music, songs and a cast of characters all the way to Santa's North Pole retreat. Once on board, hot chocolate and treats are served as passengers read along with the classic children's book. Santa Claus and his helpers greet passengers at the North Pole before boarding the train, where each child is given the first gift of Christmas – a silver sleigh bell. Elves in each train car lead families in Christmas carol favorites on the ride back to Carson City.

THE POLAR EXPRESS™ Train Ride starts its voyage on Thursday, November 17. Evening runs at 5 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. will take place Thursdays through Sundays before ending with special final runs up to the week of Christmas. Coach tickets are \$46 for adults and \$36 for children.

Limited VIP tickets on the historic 32-seat parlor car are also available with additional entertainment, extra time with Santa, a special holiday treat, an exclusive The Polar Express ceramic hot chocolate mug, the best views of the North Pole and room for dancing and games during the trip. VIP tickets are \$82 for adults, \$72 for children ages 2-12 and free for children younger than two who sit on a lap.

Early arrival at the station 30 minutes before the train's departure is recommended. The V&T's engine and holiday-decorated passenger cars leave the Carson City Eastgate Depot (seven miles east of downtown Carson City) and travel nearly two miles before stopping at Santa's North Pole retreat. The boarding area at the Carson City Depot on Eastgate Siding Road offers indoor heated areas where riders can take photos with Santa Claus and purchase holiday souvenirs.

To purchase tickets, call 877.724.5007, 775.291.0208 or visit www.vtrailway.com. Information is also available at polarexpressride.com. ■



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PEPPERMILL FREE CONCERT SERIES

OCT. 2-5	TYLER STAFFORD	Sunday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
OCT. 6 OCT. 7-8	JOSHUA COOK & THE KEY OF NOW	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
OCT. 9-12	KYLE WILLIAMS	Sunday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
OCT. 13 OCT. 14-15	KAT MYERS & THE BUZZARDS	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
OCT. 16	BALDO BOBADILLA	Sunday	6pm-10pm
OCT. 17-19	CHARLIE PARR	Monday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
OCT. 20 OCT. 21-22	ROSE'S PAWN SHOP	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
OCT. 23-26	BOGG JAZZ ENSEMBLE	Sunday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
OCT. 27 OCT. 28-29	KERRY PASTINE & THE CRIME SCENE	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
OCT. 30-NOV. 2 NOV. 3	KYLE WILLIAMS & MAX MINARDI	Sunday-Wednesday Thursday	6pm-10pm 7pm-11pm
NOV. 4-5	AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER	Friday & Saturday	8pm-Midnight
NOV. 6-9	DIRK QUINN BAND	Sunday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
NOV. 10 NOV. 11-12	NAT OSBORN BAND	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
NOV. 13-16	KYLE WILLIAMS	Sunday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
NOV. 17 NOV. 18-19	COLD HARD CASH SHOW	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
NOV. 20-23 NOV. 24 NOV. 25	EVERETT COAST	Sunday-Wednesday Thursday Friday	6pm-10pm 7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
NOV. 26	DRINKING WITH CLOWNS	Saturday	8pm-Midnight
NOV. 27-30	BOGG JAZZ ENSEMBLE	Sunday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
DEC. 1 DEC. 2-3	JOSHUA COOK & THE KEY OF NOW	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
DEC. 4-7	LIVE MUSIC	Sunday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
DEC. 8 DEC. 9-10	JOHNZO WEST & THE WAYWARD SOULS	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
DEC. 11-14	KYLE WILLIAMS	Sunday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
DEC. 15	LIVE MUSIC	Thursday	7pm-11pm
DEC. 16-17	JENNY O CHRISTMAS SHOW	Friday & Saturday	8pm-Midnight
DEC. 18-21	BOGG JAZZ ENSEMBLE	Sunday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
DEC. 22 DEC. 23-24	LIVE MUSIC	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
DEC. 25-28	LIVE MUSIC	Sunday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
DEC. 29 DEC. 30-31	DIRTY BOURBON RIVER SHOW	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight

Acoustic set with Reno's best Singer-Songwriter of 2013

Blues-flavored music with attitude-drenched vocals and endless guitar licks

Singer-songwriter performs soulful acoustic pop

Rock 'n' roll spaghetti surf blues

Drinking With Clowns frontman plays a solo set

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Duo performs soulful acoustic pop

Boston indie-alternative-electronic group

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Singer-songwriter performs soulful acoustic pop

Innovative tribute to the music of Johnny Cash

Acoustic guitar-driven ensemble of woven voices and fused songwriting

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Blues-flavored music with attitude-drenched vocals and endless guitar licks

L.A.-based singer, songwriter, guitarist leads his country-blues band

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Hard-edged jazz, Lisztian piano-driven ballads and New Orleans brass with a circus atmosphere
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Red Hawk Golf and Resort

Red Hawk Golf and Resort is one of Northern Nevada's most beautiful destinations and features two immaculately manicured 18-hole championship golf courses, a full-service restaurant, swim and fitness facilities, nine cozy resort villas, multiple spectacular indoor and outdoor wedding and special event venues, and a members-only private club.

With two masterfully planned golf courses, both open to the public, Red Hawk provides all you need to enjoy your golf game. The 7,140-yard Lakes Course, designed by noted golf course architect Robert Trent

Jones Jr., allows you to experience natural lakes, murmuring springs and mature cottonwood trees, along with wide fairways and more than 100 bunkers. This course creates a fun yet challenging day of golf. The Hills Course, designed by three-time U.S. Open Champion Hale Irwin, is known for its small greens, dramatic elevation changes, deep bunkers and undulating fairways. Surrounded by mountains and natural wildlife, the panoramic views of the Spanish Springs Valley at both golf courses are nothing short of breathtaking.



One of Red Hawk's crowning features is David's Grill. The diverse menu features extraordinary food and delicious libations.

Other amenities available to golfers at Red Hawk include a full practice range with chipping and putting stations, practice bunkers and a meticulously manicured 10,000-square-foot practice green. Lessons, both private and group, are available from the resort's golf professionals.

One of Red Hawk's crowning features is David's Grill. The diverse menu features extraordinary food and delicious libations, pleasing the entire family with an irresistible array of entrées. Open to the public every day but Christmas, David's Grill offers breakfast, lunch and dinner in a comfortable and friendly setting. The dining room is home to an impressive collection of vintage and modern sports memorabilia, large stone fireplaces and large picture windows overlooking the 18th green. During the summer months, patio seating just off the Lakes Course is available and features live music on Friday and Saturday nights. Whether you want to unwind with a cold beer after a round of golf or bring the family for a meal, the staff at David's Grill will make you feel right at home.

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The Swim and Fitness Center at Red Hawk is a friendly and welcoming facility where active people come together to celebrate life and good health. With various amenities, including the largest outdoor pool in Sparks, top-of-the-line fitness equipment and group fitness classes, it's easy for every member of the family to have fun and stay in shape. The pool, sand volleyball court, mini playground and snack bar are open May 1 through October 1, and the outdoor Jacuzzi tub is open year round. The Fitness Center is equipped with two fitness studios offering more than 100 fitness classes each week, and while memberships are required to enjoy the pool and fitness center, the Studio2 facility allows non-members to enjoy fitness classes at a drop-in rate. During the summer, all the kids' camps and swimming lessons are also open to the public.

At Red Hawk Golf and Resort, the goal is to provide guests with great accommodations and incredible amenities and services that exceed expectations. Villa guests will find Red Hawk to be a peaceful alternative to the excitement of downtown, while still feeling close enough to enjoy the nightlife. If you're in search of a more tranquil and relaxing experience, you will

find a vacation's worth of features at your fingertips at Red Hawk. Villa guests receive discounts on golf and access to the members-only Swim and Fitness Center. Within the nine Villas, the resort offers four different suite types: Talon Suites, Red Hawk Suites, Parlor Suites and the Parlor Loft. While each suite is slightly different, each features spectacular wetland or golf course views, outdoor patios and more.

With all that is offered in addition to the panoramic views, Red Hawk Golf and Resort makes a dramatic backdrop for any special occasion. Stylish weddings, corporate parties, dinners and galas, executive retreats and other gatherings take on a life of their own amid rolling emerald greens and romantic ranch style architecture. With luxurious overnight accommodations just a few steps away, Red Hawk can turn any special occasion into cherished lifelong memories. Either indoors or out, hosts and guests alike will appreciate the experience, creativity and flexibility of Red Hawk's professional event planners and caterers. A wide range of décor, menu options, wine selections and dining arraignments are available for your consideration. ■

For more information or to join the Red Hawk family, call 775.626.6000 or visit RedHawkGolfAndResort.com.



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The Lakes Course

Enjoy your day amid natural lakes, murmuring springs, and mature cottonwood trees on this course designed by Robert Trent Jones, Jr. The 7,410-yard course offers multiple tees, wide fairways, and more than 100 bunkers to create a challenging day of golf.

The Hills Course

Three-time U.S. Open Champion Hale Irwin, was instrumental in bringing soul and purpose to his signature design Hills Course. This 7,106-yard course is known for its small greens, dramatic elevation changes and deep bunkers. The undulating fairways, surrounding mountains, big sky views, and natural wildlife create breathtaking panoramic views of the entire Spanish Springs Valley. Incorporating aspects of what was once a working ranch and adding crystal clear lakes for an additional challenge, Hale created a course that brings every club out of the bag and into play.

Other golf amenities at Red Hawk Golf and Resort include a full practice range, with chipping and pitching stations, practice bunkers, and a meticulously manicured 10,000-square-foot practice green. Individual and group lessons are available from our professional golf staff.

Daily Fees Starting at \$39

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Red Hawk Golf and Resort Full Service Golf Events and Coordination Two Magnificent Championship Golf Courses

Golf Events

Red Hawk Golf and Resort offers the ideal venue for golf event groups, charity golf tournaments and corporate outings. The two distinct 18-hole championship courses at Red Hawk, the Hills and the Lakes, provide our guests two very different, yet equally great golf experiences. All groups of 13-players or more are considered events and have the privilege to book their special day far in advance.

Red Hawk Golf and Resort adheres to the highest standards of course conditions and customer service with amenities that create a country club experience at one of the finest daily-fee properties in Northern Nevada.

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Football Sports Betting

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The football season is upon us, and many fans like to add a little more excitement to the weekly games by placing bets on everything from which team will win and by how many points, to who will hoist the Super Bowl trophy and be named Most Valuable Player. If you have considered getting in on the sports betting action but are overwhelmed by the data, terminology and wagering combinations available, have no fear.

“Betting is about having fun,” said Terry Cox, Peppermill Reno’s Director of Race, Sports Book and Keno. “It’s entertainment, and easy to learn once you get started.”

For the novice bettor, Cox recommends making a money line bet, also known as a straight wager. This type of bet focuses on whether or not a team wins or loses, and you can use a parlay card to place multiple bets like this at one time. The more wagers on your parlay card, the higher the payout will be if all your predictions are correct. However, using a parlay card increases your odds of losing because all the bets must be won in order to collect a payout.

When it comes to betting, the team more favored to win will have a lower payout than the underdog team that is more likely to lose. Given the unlikelihood of the underdog winning, you will receive a higher payout if that team does indeed win. Payout odds are listed as a “number-to-1,” “number/1,” or a positive or negative number after the team name. What this means is that if you bet \$10 on a game that paid 5-to-1 or 5/1 odds, you would win \$50 plus collect your original \$10 back, for a total of \$60. If you bet on the Oakland Raiders with a (+160) after its name in the sportsbook, a \$10 bet would win you \$16 for a total return of \$26. If the San Francisco 49ers had a (-160) after its name in the same game, a \$10 bet would return you \$6 for a total winning of \$16.

Another way to bet on football involves a point spread, which Cox says is the most popular type of bet. The point spread simply means that the team must win – or not lose – by a predetermined margin of points. These numbers are listed next to the teams playing each game with a positive (+) or negative (-) symbol in front of them. A positive number (for example, +5) means that team is the underdog, and would have to win the game with at least five points or lose by five points or less. A negative number (-5 for example) means the team is favored to win, and would need to win or lose within the same range as the underdog team.

For example, say you want to bet on the San Francisco 49ers versus the Oakland Raiders, and the point spreads are listed as such:

San Francisco -5
Oakland +5

San Francisco is favored to win this game, and the -5 means the team is expected to win by five or more points. Oakland is the inverse of this – it is expected to lose by five points or less. If San Francisco beats Oakland 20-14, it has won by six points and covered the five-point spread. If San Francisco won that same game with a score of 20-17, then it has only won by three points and not covered the five-point spread. However, since Oakland still lost by less than five points, the team still covered its spread.

To place a bet that will hopefully last all season, you will want to make a futures bet, which allows you to bet on the outcome of an entire season before it actually reaches that point. Cox says placing futures bets before the football season begins will put the odds more in your favor, as once the season starts, the odds of any team winning the Super Bowl change on a weekly basis. Placing a bet before any regular season play will lock in the preseason odds for your ticket.

What may be the most important thing to remember when betting is that the sportsbook staff is always available to answer questions or help you learn. Don’t be afraid to ask for help, or research the type of bet you want to place the day before actually visiting the sportsbook. After getting one sports bet under your belt, you will be well on your way to becoming a sports betting pro.

Key Tips from Terry Cox:

- Double-check the details of your ticket right after the ticket writer gives it to you. Mistakes can happen, both on the bettor’s side and the writer’s side of the process. If there is an error, you will want to catch it right away before it possibly costs you your winnings.
- Use a parlay card to place multiple bets with a writer at the counter. Not doing so is a faux pas that often causes a long wait for other bettors in line.
- Only bet the amount of money you can afford to lose, and make sure it stays recreational. First-time bettors may want to set a budget for one Sunday of games and stick to that number, whether they wager it all on one bet or spread it across multiple bets. ■





WOLF PACK FOOTBALL

There are a few quintessential changes that signal autumn in Reno – the hues of the trees transforming into beautiful blends of yellow, red and purple, and water-based adventures being traded for plans of hitting the slopes – but perhaps the most energetic is the start of the University of Nevada, Reno's Wolf Pack football season.

Be sure not to miss a community tradition, and make your way down to Mackay Stadium at least once. In no time you'll find yourself surrounded in a wave of silver and blue-clad Nevada fans cheering on the Wolf Pack.

To purchase tickets, visit www.nevadowolfpack.com/tickets.

Date	Opponent	Location	Time (PT)
Sept. 2	Cal Poly	Mackay Stadium, Reno	6:30pm
Sept. 10	Notre Dame	South Bend, IN	12:30pm
Sept. 17	Buffalo	Mackay Stadium, Reno	6pm
Sept. 24	Purdue	West Lafayette, IN	9pm
Oct. 1	Hawaii	Honolulu, HI	9pm
Oct. 8	Fresno State	Mackay Stadium, Reno	4pm
Oct. 15	San Jose State	San Jose, CA	7:30pm
Oct. 22	Wyoming	Mackay Stadium, Reno	7:30pm
Nov. 5	New Mexico	Albuquerque, NM	TBA
Nov. 12	San Diego State	Mackay Stadium, Reno	7:30pm
Nov. 19	Utah State	Mackay Stadium, Reno	TBA
Nov. 26	UNLV	Las Vegas, NV	TBA

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