

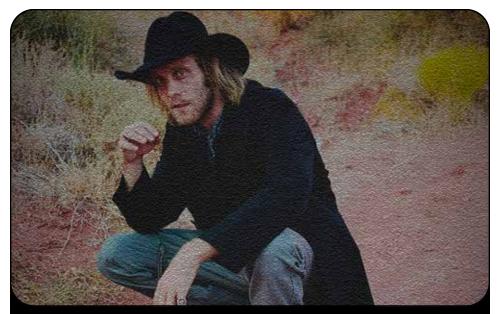
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OPINION, PERSPECTIVES, AND ALTERNATIVE VIEWPOINTS



There is one thing I have come to appreciate and enjoy more than anything else with my new role here as the Editor of The Independent. The opportunities

I and others have had to express our thoughts, opinions, perspectives, and viewpoints, all on a platform that is open and welcoming to that end.

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I have had many great conversations with those who contribute to The Independent, and one thing is quite clear; we don't all see things the same way, and frankly, that's ok.

During one of those recent conversations, I shared what I considered 'my truth,' or in other words, 'the way I see and have experienced things in my life.' My colleague had quite a different experience, and his 'truth,' in almost every aspect, was quite different than mine.

This is what I wish to explore today. It is something incredibly important to me, which I believe needs to be spoken and considered. His 'truth' is not and was not, 'my truth.' Nevertheless, both of our experiences were very real, or in other words, true, and I was reminded of something essential that day.

> In almost all cases, we all see things from a very singular perspective. Therefore, if we want to understand better and more clearly see the world around us, we have to be willing to listen to the 'truths' that others hold as their own; we can't just cast them aside because they don't fit our own personal experiences or our narrative view of the word.

The best conversations can be had when we sit and listen to those we do not initially agree with or understand. We used to be better at doing that; we used to listen better. We

need to start nurturing that vital skillset again before it is too late; before the next generation completely tunes everything else around them out. So, here is a reminder to all of us who know and can remember better... If we want to be heard, speak softly. Seriously... try it sometime. The next time you get angry at your children or a friend, don't yell, talk slowly and quietly, and don't be surprised when they say 'what?' or "could you please repeat that? I couldn't hear you". Do that several times, over and over, and guess what, most likely, they will start making an effort to listen to you. This also applies to everyday living as well. I sincerely believe that.

No one wants to listen to someone who is always yelling. No one will hear you if all you are doing is yelling or venting in anger.

Conflicting viewpoints and opinions are always going to be there. If you want someone to hear what you think or how you feel, you're going to have to be willing to listen to them as well. That's the only way we are ever going to find solutions and a common ground to the differences between us. Those differences are all valid; they are all true. If we can see the common denominators between us, we will all be one step closer to peace. God Bless and have a great month, everyone!



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DOCUTAH PRESENTS REDROCK RONDO

September 25, 2020, 7:00 PM Megaplex Pineview Theaters, 2376 Red Cliffs Dr, St. George, UT 84770 Capacity is limited

In a frontier town at the gate of Zion National Park, a former punk rocker turned town mayor, has composed a musical portrait of his community. This film is an anthem to one of the West's favorite places, Zion National Park, and part of the park's "Century of Sanctuary" centennial celebration. Red Rock Rondo explores this spectacular place and its people through their stories put to music by Phillip Bimstein, former mayor of Springdale, Utah, which borders the Park, weaving together the contemporary and historical, creating a rich portrait of this spectacular place and the people whose lives are so intricately connected to and affected by it. These songs cover the pioneering of Virgin River Valley by Mormon settlers in the mid-19th century, the founding of Zion National Park in the 20th century, and up to modern times where retirees, artists and urban refugees have come to find their own piece of paradise.

Red Rock Rondo was filmed on location in and around Zion National Park in southern Utah and was a signature project of Zion National Park's "A Century of Sanctuary" anniversary celebration in 2009.

For Tickets Visit www.docutah.com/red-rock-rondo-2020/

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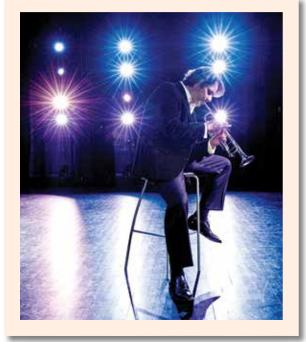




KURT BESTOR & KAYENTA PRESENT A 2-NIGHT PLAZA CONCERT



Ivins, UT– Internationally acclaimed musician Kurt Bestor will perform his "Music In High Places" concert in view of the majestic Red Rock mountain range surrounding the outdoor Walton Commons at the Center for the Arts at Kayenta in Ivins. Taking place Sept. 18th and 19th, the renowned musician and his trio will perform a collection of original songs from Bestor's popular albums "Seasons", "Sketch's" "Innovators" and "Outside the Lines." He



will also be debuting some new music from a long-awaited new 2021 release.

While Bestor is known for his unique way of combining jazz, classical and world music; it is his affable personality on stage and his banter with the audience that has made him a favorite performer at the

Center for the Arts at Kayenta. Throughout the concert, Bestor weaves in the stories behind each song and explains why and how he wrote them in his warm,

> humorous style, while encouraging everyone to escape for the evening and get lost in the setting and the music.

Bestor's unique style has earned him legions of loyal fans around the world. His musical voice is uniquely his and, he hopes, "elevating," having the capacity to evoke joy, serenity, and ecstasy. His composing and performing talents have garnered an Emmy award and Grammy nominations. He's best known for his popular Christmas concerts and albums, but he's also written over 40 feature-length scores for film, themes for national television productions and he's performed live concerts to more than half a million people in the past three decades.

For tickets visit www. kayentaarts.com/events/







Kanab will host the "Last Ditch" Rodeo on September 25^{th} and 26^{th} at 7 p.m. each night at the Kane Plex Arena. The Last Ditch Rodeo is the last rodeo of the Kane County, "Raising Kane Rodeo Series" of 2020. It's also the last chance for rodeo contestants to qualify for finals with the Rocky Mountain Pro Rodeo Association (RMPRA) and the Professional Miniature Bull Riding (PMBR) organization.



Due to COVID-19 restrictions, many rodeos were canceled this year, so event organizers expect both nights' events to fill up quickly once sign-ups go live at noon on Thursday, September 17th. "Our central registration number is ready to take signups as soon as they go live at noon," said Ben German, the RMPRA president and stock contractor for Last Ditch Rodeo. "Kane County is offering \$4,500 in added money," said German. "We are looking forward to being back in Kanab.'

The rodeo will have the following events: bulls, bareback broncs, saddle broncs, team roping, breakaway, bulldogging, and barrels. There will also be peewee and junior barrels and bulls. The peewee and junior bulls is also a Pro Miniature Bull Riding (PMBR) qualifying event for finals. The peewee and junior bulls sign-ups will go live at 8 a.m. on Saturday, September 19th.

Attendees can expect two great nights of world-class contestants showing up, competing to win, and qualify for finals. The cost to attend the rodeo is just \$5 per person. Cash only is accepted at the gate. Concessions, including drinks, snacks, hamburgers, and hotdogs, will be available. Cash is preferred at concessions as well.

Sign-up fees for contestants of each event will vary depending on whether they are members or non-members of the RMPRA or the PMBR, respectively. For sign-up fees for each event, go to RaisingKaneRodeos. com.

Kane Plex outdoor arena offers incredible views of the iconic, vermillion cliffs surrounding Kanab, and it overlooks the scenic Jackson Flat Reservoir. "We welcome visitors to Kanab to come and enjoy the spirit of the American Cowboy and our western heritage in our beautiful outdoor arena," said Kane County Tourism Director, Camille Johnson Taylor. Kane Plex has more seating available this year to accommodate the increased distance between family groups to limit the spread of COVID-19.

Kane County is in the green phase of the Governor's Utah Leads Together Plan with no current COVID-19 cases. Event organizers will provide hand-washing stations, hand sanitizer, extra seating, bandanas for sale at concessions, and room to spread out. While event organizers are taking precautions to limit the spread of COVID-19, attendance is at your own risk.

For peewee and junior bulls, call Chad Casperson beginning 8 a.m. on September $19^{\rm th}\,(208)\,547\mathchar`-7106.$ For all other events, call (719) 696-8740, noon-6 p.m. on September 17^{th}

For more information on the Last Ditch Rodeo and the Raising Kane Rodeo Series, go to www.RaisingKaneRodeos.com

Find more at SUindependent.com

CELEBRITY CONCERT SERIES TO RETURN THIS FALL!

ended a show too soon in March. We have been planning and preparing for the DSU Celebrity Concert Series 2020 - 2021 season with all of our incredible patrons in mind. We are excited to bring some fabulous acts to you this season while working hard to ensure your health and safety.

So much has happened since our season will be preserved. For those who don't have tickets yet, watch for updates on our website at www.celebrityconcertseries.com, or on our Facebook page for information on our upcoming performances! For tickets, call the DSU Box Office at 435.652.7800 or visit in person M-F 10 AM to 2 PM.



TWO GREAT GOLF TOURNAMENTS COMING TO MESQUITE!

Virgin River Valley, you'll find Mesquite, Nevada, home to the Nevada Open and CasaBlanca Two-Man golf tournaments. These tournaments will be held at Mesquite Gaming's well-appointed properties, CasaBlanca Resort and Virgin River Hotel, and two must-play golf courses, the awardwinning CasaBlanca Golf Club and Palms Golf Club. The two distinct courses offer challenging but enjoyable year-round golfing experiences for golfers of any level.

Tucked between the mountains in the Lehman. Other notable participants like Tony Finau, Charley Hoffman, Graham DeLaet, Craig Barlow, Boyd Summerhays, and Kevin Stadler.

Right after the Nevada open ends The The CasaBlanca Two-Man is just getting started on November 13th and runs through 15th. Amateur and Pro Golfers participate in this three-day tournament played on the CasaBlanca, Palms, and Conestoga Golf Clubs. Teams play in three different formats that include Two-Man Scramble, Best Ball,



Professional golfers from across the country come to Mesquite, Nevada, ready to take the challenge and compete for a total prize purse of \$150,000. The Nevada Open is the state's longest-running golf tournament with 224 players in the field who will be competing on the CasaBlanca and Palms Golf Clubs. All of the players competing in the tournament stay at the CasaBlanca Resort and Casino. Watch the future stars of the Korn Ferry Tour and PGA Tour November 10th–12th. With past champions like Robert Gamez, Vic Wilk, Kevin Penner, and Tom

and Modified Alternate Shot. We had 116 teams in 2019 and anticipate selling out in 2020 with 150 teams traveling from the western region of the United States. There are a gross flight and net flight (flighted by combined team index) and there is \$6,000 for each flight. Teams are welcomed with a pairings party before the tournament and conclude with an awards dinner at the CasaBlanca Resort and Casino.

To learn more about these tournaments visit mesquitegaming.com

THE STAGE DOOR PRESENTS **"SWEENEY TODD -**THE DEMON BARBER OF **FLEET STREET**" **AT THE ELECTRIC THEATER!**

The premise of Sweeney Todd is as remarkably simple as it is eerily dark. Sweeney Todd, one of Stephen Sondheim's classical masterpieces, is most famous for its ominous use of theatrically intricate minor chords and musical arrangements, which are often difficult for the artists who dare to deliver and perform them.

Revenge is a familiar driving force in many tales, and this story, not for the faint of heart mind you, will not disappoint.

Upon his escape from prison, Benjamin Barker, who calls himself Todd, is driven to exact his revenge on the wicked Judge who unjustly incarcerated him. Turpin, a vile iraling murderous spree as the dark veil of revenge turns inward, consuming him along with his victims.

As the dark plot continues to twist and turn, it gnaws its way into the audience, leaving the observers to twist and squirm at the hollow version of the man who might have been.

Directed by Josh Scott, the cast and crew of Sweeney Todd take you on a ride for your life as Jadon Webster, the director of music, manages the sounds, songs, and cords that are sure to ripple through your soul and run a shiver down your spine that will last for months to come.

Due to the unprecedented length of this pandemic, we have some modifications to our season. Our ticket policies remain flexible, and no-hassle refunds will be issued for any postponed or canceled events. Should you need to skip a show due to COVID symptoms or concerns, this refund flexibility covers this as well.

Our first planned concert with the Utah Symphony had to be canceled due to the challenges of hosting a large group in a "socially distanced" space. We look forward to having them perform for us again as soon as possible. Our family-favorite, Golden Dragon Acrobats, also had to be canceled. With the many venue closures throughout the country, they have postponed their tour until 2022.

We look forward to seeing them next season, and we already have them on our calendar!

Despite the many current obstacles, we remain hopeful! We will open ticket sales six weeks before each upcoming performance, and we will continually evaluate the ever-changing landscape to alleviate stress for our guests. If you have season tickets, THANK YOU, if any show has to be canceled, a refund will be issued, and your package pricing, along with any discounts,

Please be aware: we have adopted a few new changes to ensure your health while attending our concerts. Here are a few things to 'Know Before You Go.

Facemasks will be required for each performance. We ask that as a patron, you come prepared with your mask and be courteous towards your fellow audience members. Sanitation stations have been added to the Cox Auditorium, along with increased cleaning of common areas for your safety and the safety of others.

Thank you for your patience in this process and for your desire to support the performing arts! We are blessed to have you as part of our Celebrity Concert Series family. Last year we were fortunate to experience many outstanding performances with all of you!

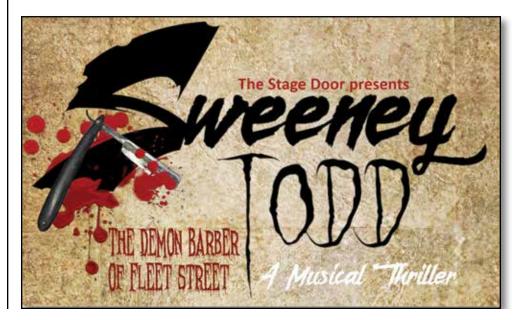
We are looking forward to the time that we can take part in the collective healing of uplifting performance art through our Celebrity Concert Series events. We miss you; we hope you are well, and we cannot wait to see you in our audience soon!

Ginger Nelson – Director of Arts Programming & Karin Edwards - Arts Programming Coordinator

and corrupt judge, is driven by lust and his desires for Barker's wife, who later poisons herself after he defiles her. He even adopts Barker's daughter Johanna, now a teenager, and if that is not bad enough, the Judge intends to marry her.

This dark yarn finds Todd, a career barber, consumed by his own lust for revenge, turning his targets into victims to

Join them if you dare, September 24th, 25th, 26th, 28th, & 30th, as well as October 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th, & 7th - 7:30 PM evenings and 2 PM for the Saturday matinees at the Electric Theater on Tabernacle in St. George. For tickets and more information, you can call 435-656-4407 or visit www. thestagedoortheater.com. We'll see you at the theater!



ARROWHEAD GALLERY FINE ART PRESENT'S ARTIST OF THE MONTH

University. After graduation. she her returned to hometown of Chico, California, where she worked in the Public Art field with her mentor, Davton Claudio, creating large fiberglass pieces in cities like Tucson, Arizona, Cleveland, Ohio, and Ogden, Utah.

Jenna enjoys incorporating mixed emotion and struggle. media such as fabric, paper, buttons,



Jenna Lineweaver received her BFA beads, and other found objects into her "My art is visual poetry. It stimulates in oil painting from Brigham Young paintings. It adds an exciting dimen-

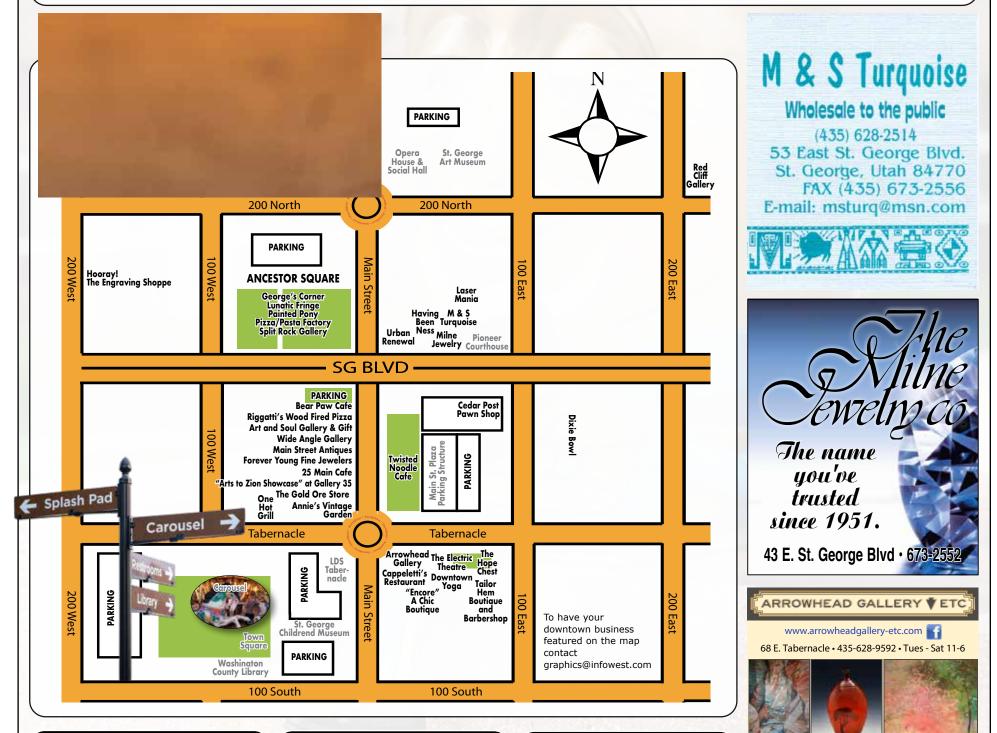
sion to her art and an element of surprise. Her love of poetry and literature is also evident in her art, as she often includes relevant verse and writing. She finds that similar to literature and poetry, painting is a powerful way to express thoughts, feelings, and struggles. Other people can recognize these things on canvas and respond to them in their own way: we all experi-

With regards to her art, she says,

emotion and involves the viewer in the process and the beauty of it. A painting



ence life and the accompanying range of is successful if, after that first impression, each successive visit becomes more meaningful".



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UTAH'S COVID-19 ECONOMIC RECOVERY BEST IN THE U.S. By Howard Sierer



Utah's economy is a shining star in the nation's otherwise struggling economic landscape. We can thank our government leaders and our state's citizens who've been doing the right things in most cases on their own initiative. Steady hands at

the helm of state and local government struck an appropriate balance between slowing COVID-19's spread –we have the 8th lowest state per capita death rate – and guiding our economy through the pandemic, the best in the country according to 24/7 Wall St

in July, the lowest in the nation. Utah's July yearover-year 1.8 percent drop in the total number of employed workers was second-lowest in the country.

Washington County's unemployment rate spiked to over 12 percent in April but has dropped to 6 percent in June and is undoubtedly lower now. Logan, Provo, Ogden, and St. George are among 20 metro areas with the lowest unemployment of 389 regions around the country.

The bulk of Utah's job losses occurred in our important hospitality and leisure industry. We need to remember that many of these lower-paid people have lost jobs and are struggling, each a tragedy in its own right.

About 73,000 Utahns were unemployed in July and were receiving an additional \$600 per week in supplemental federal unemployment benefits on top of Utah's standard rates. That Congressional authorization ran out at the end of July and was replaced by a special allocation of federal funds for those states that applied. Utah was one of the first 11 states to receive approval for the additional funding. Kudos to the Herbert administration for getting on top of this one.

States around the country have been fiscally stressed, and many are clamoring for federal funding to make up for lost state revenues. You won't be surprised to hear that while Utah's state budget has been downsized, the state is near the top of the heap for fiscal stability.

U.S. News ranks the short- and long-term fiscal outlook for all 50 states. Utah is fifth overall with a top of the heap credit rating score; only state employee pension fund liabilities are holding us back.

Natalie Gochnour, director of the University of Utah's Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute, says that



We benefitted from a vibrant and diversified economy going into the pandemic. Nonetheless, like every other state, Utah's economic output dropped in 2020's first quarter. But only four states fared better than our 3.1 percent drop; the nation as a whole fell 5.0 percent.

The construction industry leads the way in Utah's economy, as we in Southern Utah can attest every time we look around. Through June, statewide construction employment was up 8.7 percent year-over-year.

After spiking briefly at 11.1 percent in April, Utah's unemployment rate dropped to 4.5 percent

COVID-19's "impacts will continue to be uneven. And that's by socioeconomic, by industry, by race, by geography. We'll see more disruptions."

Utah isn't out of the coronavirus woods yet, but we're seeing the light filtering through the trees and have every reason to stay the course we're on.

Howard Sierer moved to St. George in 2000 after living on both coasts and places in between. He worked as a satellite systems engineer and program manager, finishing his career managing fiber optic communications systems development.

REKINDLED RESPECT FOR THE NBA AND ITS PLAYERS By Ed Kociela



I must say, I stuff. haven't followed I the NBA much reme since the days of dared Stockton to Malone, Coach Jerry Sloan, is th and the marvelous, sever inspirational Frank earn Layden. voter

I didn't want to be "just like Mike,"

or Kobe, or Shaq or anybody else, and the game sort of passed by me. Of course, so did many athletes from the other professional sports leagues.

I viewed them all pretty much as a bunch of pampered, spoiled, selfish babies who were more concerned with themselves than their fans with an eye more toward their bank accounts than social issues.

I must say, I was wrong

Although I don't plan on catching up on the NBA playoffs – I don't know who all those guys are out there on the court, anyway – I have gained some newfound respect for them as they negotiated the bloodstained waters of yet another police shooting of a black person.

This time it was a man named Jacob Blake, a 29-year-old man who was shot in the back by a Kenosha, Wisc. police officer.

There is no honor in shooting a man in the back. In fact, in the Old West, it was a mark of cowardice.

Blake is now paralyzed.

There was an open warrant on a domestic violence charge against him, that has since been quashed, according to police. But, that didn't stop the cops from cuffing him to his hospital bed.

Let's add some context: That didn't stop the cops from cuffing a paralyzed man to his hospital bed.

And, so it goes, again, and again, and again.

The news of Blake's shooting re-awoke protesters, but none, perhaps, as strong as the NBA players from the Milwaukee Bucks. They were the first to walk out on Game 5 of their first-round playoff against the Orlando Magic.

Milwaukee guard George Hill decided he had enough, that he had to make a stand, and chose not to play that night. His teammates had his back; they refused to play. Their opponent, the Orlando Magic, refused to play. The entire league refused to play. Pro baseball and soccer players refused to play, deciding that they, too, had to make a stand.

The world does not turn on the fortunes of sports. Many years from now, nobody will care who wins the 2020 NBA championship or MLB World Series or any of that other



But maybe, just maybe, they will remember a man named George Hill, who dared to make a stand.

An immediate result of the walkout is that the NBA has promised to use several facilities where these superstars earn their money as polling places and/or voter registration centers. Already there are commitments from Atlanta, Detroit, Sacramento, Charlotte, Washington, D.C., Houston, Los Angeles (both the Clippers and Lakers), Indianapolis, San Antonio, Cleveland, Milwaukee, San Francisco, and Salt Lake City. Several facilities around the league are owned by city or state governments, where decisions are not easily made and often at the mercy of politics.

"In every city where the league franchise owns and controls the arena property, team governors will continue to work with local elections officials to convert the facility into a voting location for the 2020 general election to allow for a safe in-person voting option for communities vulnerable to COVID," an NBA statement read. "If a deadline has passed, team governors will work with local elections officials to find another electionrelated use for the facility, including but not limited to voter registration and ballot receiving boards."

This is bold, significant action in the fight against racism and the threat of voter suppression.

Now, if only Major League Baseball and the National Football League would follow suit to put even more muscle behind the move.

It has been a long time since our sports heroes acted like heroes. Since our sports heroes embodied the freedoms that have allowed them to pursue their lucrative careers, and because our sports heroes give back significantly to the communities that have so richly supported them.

It has been easy to hold pro athletes in the crosshairs and take potshots at their selfish demeanor. I mean, how many times have we seen their names in the police blotter or tied to some scandal or another? How many times have we thought of them as overpaid, overhyped, overrated jocks?

Not this time and especially not George Hill.

Refusing to play in a game, especially a playoff game, would generally end badly for any professional athlete. Not now, not in 2020, when everything is upside-down and normal is anything but typical.

Make no mistake, George Hill will have his detractors. There will be those who call him selfish, radical, a troublemaker, but this, as the late civil rights icon John Lewis, who marched with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. would say, is "good trouble, necessary trouble."

George Hill saw his moment to use his celebrity in a positive way, to further the cause of racial equality, to make us all think, once again, about the inexcusable tragedy that is racism, and inspire us to step up and demand it stop.

George Hill rekindled my respect for the NBA and its players. Ed Kociela has won numerous awards

from the Associated Press and Society of Professional Journalists. He now works as a freelance writer based alternately in St. George and on The Baja in Mexico. His career includes newspaper, magazine, and broadcast experience as a sportswriter, rock critic, news reporter, columnist, and essayist.

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GET READY FOR AN AMERICAN ENERGY COMEBACK By Kevin Mooney

Judging from the headlines, America's energy sector could collapse at any moment. Scattered amidst coronavirus coverage are reports of plummeting energy stocks and commodities traders paying people to take barrels of oil off their hands.

The COVID-19 outbreak certainly disrupted the energy sector, just as it has countless other industries. But these setbacks are only temporary. Oil prices have already started to rebound as global markets adjust to the COVID-19 outbreak. Once demand returns to normal, so will the energy industry. spring. Futures prices may have dropped, but oil is still inherently valuable.

When the lockdowns end, demand for oil will skyrocket. Before COVID-19, the U.S. Energy Information Administration projected demand for global fuels would increase by 1.4 million barrels a day in 2020. As recently as March, the agency predicted a modest rise in global oil demand for the coming year.

Of course, the agency has since revised those estimates down. But the world will need oil again someday soon. When that need arises, America's energy industry will be ready.

Oil's inherent value has helped the energy industry survive market shocks in the past. In fact, past crises pushed oil and gas companies to develop new technologies and processes that benefit consumers. For instance, the 2008 financial crisis led to a wave of innovation in the hydraulic fracturing technologies that helped make the United States the global leader in oil and gas production.

Despite the energy industry's record of resilience, some policymakers still want to intervene. Texas officials recently considered imposing production quotas on the state's oil companies. At the federal level, President Trump has threatened to impose tariffs on foreign oil.



Some public officials think they can hasten this comeback by interfering with oil production. But this would only push the energy industry off the path to recovery. To help the industry recover, policymakers simply need to sit back and let the market work itself out.

Stay-at-home orders have caused energy demand to plummet. These days, most people don't need to put gas in their cars or keep the lights on in their businesses. As a result, demand for petroleum dropped nearly 5 percent between February and March. U.S. oil prices recently went negative for the first time in history.

But the economic reality is hardly as dire as these numbers suggest. Oil is traded based on its future price -- so, when traders see plummeting demand on the horizon, it makes financial sense for them to offhand these "futures." That's what happened this Heavy-handed market interventions like this would distort our well-functioning energy markets. By the time policymakers have fully implemented tariffs and quotas, demand for oil may have returned to normal. Faced with these restrictions, energy firms couldn't ramp up production to meet demand. This would lead to further price fluctuations and could even cause an energy shortage.

Despite the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, America's oil and gas companies have what it takes to fuel the country's economic recovery. Policymakers can help the industry by containing the outbreak and restarting the economy. Once that happens, energy markets will take care of themselves.

Kevin Mooney is an investigative reporter who writes about energy policy and environmental issues.



September '20 · Page 8 WASHINGTON COUNTY OFFICIALS IN DREAMLAND ABOUT THE NORTHERN CORRIDOR By Lisa Rutherford

When I listen to local officials talk about the proposed Northern Corridor and its history, I wonder, "what dreamland are you living in?" For those who are new to the area, the Northern Corridor would be a new east-west route to help meet transportation needs. That would be a good thing if UDOT and county officials and planners didn't want to run it through Red Cliffs National Conservation Area/Reserve. This protected area makes up only four percent of our county. It is dedicated to the protection of threatened and endangered species, including the threatened Mojave desert tortoise, while also providing recreation opportunities. The draft Environmental Impact Statement on the highway and associated matters is out for public comment until September 10 (https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/ project/1502103/570).

I recently listened to a presentation about the DEIS and the transportation alternatives at a city council meeting. The speaker seemed pretty reasonable when he talked about the NC alternatives BLM is considering. He even noted that one option outside Red Cliffs—the Red Hills Parkway Expressway with a flyover to I-15—moves traffic better than UDOT's preferred NC route would. However, he then added that he thought it was not legal to review routes outside Red Cliffs.

Let's be clear. That is incorrect. The 2009 act OPLMA that created Red Cliffs NCA (45,000 acres of the 62,000 Red Cliffs Deseret Reserve) says the BLM must identify one or more routes for a northern corridor "in the county" not "in the NCA/Reserve." And, "must identify" does not mean "must approve" in Red Cliffs. Reserve's creation show, there was never an agreement. And, in 2006, when Senator Bennett and Congressman Matheson were pushing the 2006 Washington County Growth & Conservation Act, Washington County Habitat Conservation Advisory Committee meeting minutes clearly show that a line on a map was never agreed to by the HCAC. The meeting minutes document reveal that Commissioner Gardner and Mayor McArthur came to the HCAC for approval to place their preferred road alignment on a map and were rejected.

The NC was not approved in the original Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP), which says no new roads! Even a Red Cliffs Desert Reserve brochure I have that addresses common questions and which was "funded" by the county answers the question: "Will there be a highway through the middle of the Reserve between St. George City and Washington City? Their answer: "The HCP does not permit a new highway through the Reserve. The recently improved "Red Hills Parkway," approved as a 4-lane road (also called Skyline Drive or the Northern Corridor), was allowed under the HCP; no others are permitted."

Now, the county is rewriting the HCP. Their dreamland "dream" may come true. Officials may very well get their way, but make no mistake: There was no agreement in the past to a road through the protected area. Only Red Hills Parkway expansion and the existing roads such as Turkey Farm (Cottonwood) were allowed. There may have been some backroom discussions, but nothing that supports an NC through the heart of Red



The Red Hills Parkway Expressway handles traffic as well as UDOT's preferred route, and that's made evident in a chart on page 250 of the DEIS Volume 3: Glossary and Appendices document. Moving traffic is what this highway idea has been about for these fourteen years I've been studying it. But now, apparently, officials don't like the flyover idea because it would impact already-existing facilities and venues on Red Hills Parkway. This had not stopped the City of St. George in the past when city projects needed the use of governmental power to force changes on private businesses. Now that the road might impact some of the city's property, they're not quite so thrilled. Now that there is a route that would move the traffic better, the "transportation need" seems to be changing to put a focus on other issues. At the meeting, it was mentioned that the

Cliffs was documented or agreed to in writing. Now, the perfectly reasonable Red Hills Parkway Expressway alternative outside Red Cliffs—the road (Red Hills Parkway) that the county acknowledged as "the Northern Corridor" in their brochure!—is being rejected by the county. Oh, and by the way, in the '90s, when Red Cliffs were established, they knew what our current population would be; population studies made it clear.

Public comments on the highway may be made until September 10. Go to https:// conserveswu.org/save-red-cliffs/ to learn how to make comments and tell the BLM, USFWS, Washington County, St. George City, and UDOT to save Red Cliffs and pick the reasonable alternative—Red Hills Parkway Expressway.

Originally from New Mexico, Lisa taught elementary school for several years in Texas after graduating from the University of Texas at El Paso before moving to Anchorage, Alaska, where she lived for 30 years and worked in the oil industry for 20 years. She has lived in Ivins for 20 years.

NC through the protected area had been part of the deal ever since Red Cliffs Desert Reserve was established in 1996. Not true! Minutes I have from steering committee meeting minutes in the 90s leading to the





**** - Amazing!
**** - Good
*** - Decent
** - Poor
* - Terrible

THE INDEPENDENT MOVIE REVIEWS By Adam Mast UNHINGED (R)

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"Unhinged" is undoubtedly a film that lives up to its title, but does that make it a good movie? Not necessarily. "Unhinged" is in the tradition of much better movies like "Falling Down," "Breakdown," "Duel," "Joy Ride," "Changing Lanes," and every 90s sociopath thriller you can shake a stick at (see "Hand That Rocks the Cradle," "Pacific Heights," and "Unlawful Entry" to name a few.) Even with a creepy, on edge Russell Crowe in the lead, the film can't quite rise to the occasion.

In "Unhinged," single mom Rachel (Caren Pistorius) is having an awful day. Unfortunately, that bad day goes from awful to downright terrifying after she messes with the wrong commuter. While frantically trying to get her young son, Kyle (Gabriel Bateman), to school, a truck sitting stationary at a green light prompts an impatient and emotionally distraught Rachel to honk before angrily



blazing passed the vehicle. It turns out that the stationary commuter in question is an unhinged individual (Crowe) with violent tendencies who just so happens to be having a day far worse than Rachel's. What follows is a deadly game in which a demented Crowe attempts to destroy Rachel's life by getting to the folks she cares about.

"Unhinged" opens with a series of reallife road rage-inspired video clips that go out of their way to suggest that there are a lot of unstable people out there and that perhaps the rest of us should think twice before honking at a radome commuter. The biggest problem with the would-be cautionary tale that is "Unhinged" is that it isn't incredibly fun. It's just ugly.

It's hard to figure out why Crowe even took this part. It isn't a role of any real depth, and while the "Gladiator" star certainly brings an aggressive intensity to this movie. Granted, a lot of that falls squarely in the lap of screenwriter Carl Ellsworth. He and director Derrick Borte don't appear to be all that interested in exploring what makes this guy tick. A shame because the opening of the film hints that maybe the movie might delve a bit into themes of mental health in some meaningful way, and with an actor of Crowe's range in the lead, that could have made for a compelling movie. Alas, "Unhinged" isn't interested in such lofty goals. Instead, this is more of a violent, surface-level thriller in which we get to witness this Oscar-winning actor running people over with his vehicle, lighting folks on fire, and punching women and children in the face. As I said...Ugly.

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"Unhinged" moves at a pretty quick clip (despite some pretty sloppy editing). There are a couple of chilling scenes to speak of, including an exchange between Even Pistorious is unable to rise above the proceedings and make for a dynamic mama bear heroine. The most robust performance in the film comes courtesy of an effective Bateman as a young boy who learns the hard way that you shouldn't honk at people you don't know.

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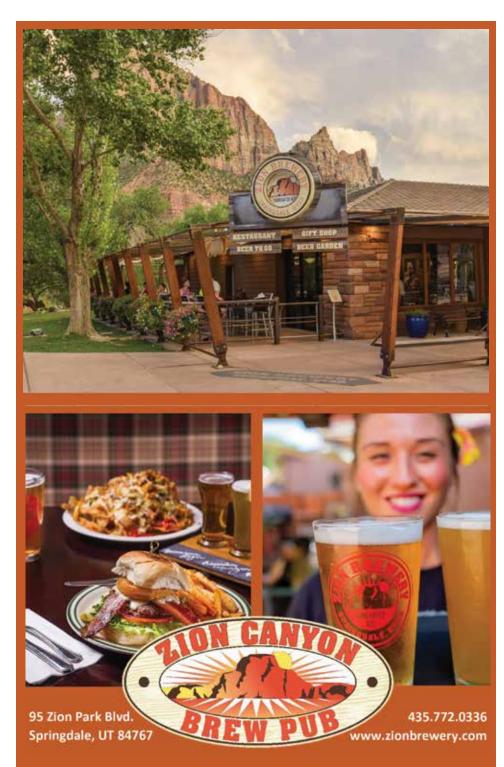


CASABLANCA SUPER RUN CAR SHOW Sept. 18–21. A jam-packed weekend featuring vintage cars, new cars, custom automobiles, beloved classics-you name it! \$15,000 in cash/drawings to Car Show Participants so don't forget to vote for your favorite vehicle! 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite. **GOT TRASH? RECYCLABLE TRASH ART SHOW** Saturday's in September. 9 AM. Show pride in your community by challenging your friends and family to clean up the community and create a piece of art out of the recyclable items you gathered. You can enter your artwork into a judged art show. Winners will receive prizes in various categories. (801) 597-4348. Red Cliff Gallery SUAG, 220 N. 200 E., St. George.

AIDA-SCHOOL EDITION Sept. 9–12, 7 PM. All proceeds will be donated to causes that support Foster Care in Utah & DCFS. Washington City Center for Music and Theater, 25 N. 300 W. # C, Washington.

TALES OF TILA, A NEW ORIGINAL MUSICAL! Sept. 9–17. Tales of Tila is a onewoman musical bio set in Taos, NM in the first half of the 20th Century. Brigham's Playhouse, 25 N. 300 W., Washington.

SWEENY TODD Sept. 24–Oct. 7. 7:30 PM. A tasty, thrilling, theatrical treat has simultaneously shocked, awed and delighted audiences across the world. The Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle, St. George.



CASABLANCA RIB FEST Sept. 11–13. 1 PM. Vendors will also serve up mouthwatering ribs and other savory barbecue classics, alongside a beer garden serving craft beers and specialty liquor. Guests can also enjoy live entertainment, kid-friendly activities and other surprises to guarantee a flavorful weekend. CasaBlanca Resort, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite, Mesquite.

KARMA FEST 2020 Sept. 17–19. 8 PM. Two musical events. Durt Bestor and Heartstrings . Outdoor concerts. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct, Ivins.

SANTA CLARA SWISS DAYS 2020 Sept. 24–26. 9 AM. Food and merchandise vendors, continuous entertainment including a free Friday night concert, town and family heritage displays, pioneer craft demonstrations, races, tournaments, chalk art, bingo, children's games and more. In addition, a Red Rock Car Show will be at Canyon View Park. 2603 Santa Clara Dr., Santa Clara.

12TH ANNUAL ZION CANYON MUSIC FESTIVAL Sept 25–26. 4 PM. Two days of music on two stages. Great food beer and wine. Free kid zone with inflatables, arts/crafts, and vendor booths. Family friendly. O.C. Tanner Amphitheater, 144 Lion Blvd, Springdale.

LAST DITCH RODEO-RMPRA QUALIFYING RODEO 7 PM. Utah bulls, Bareback, Saddle Bronc, Team Roping, Bull Dogging, Breakaway, Barrels, Peewee and Jr. Bulls. Kaneplex Arena, 865 E. Kaneplex Dr., Kanab.

ONE HOT MESS AT CASABLANCA Sept. 4–6, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. Rockin' and groovin' to hits from 80's & beyond. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

NEIL MORROW AT CASABLANCA Sept. 9–13, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. Classic Rock, Rock n Roll, and Rockabilly. 21 or older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

GREGG PETERSON BAND - CASABLANCA Sept. 16–20, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. Classic Rock, Variety and dance band. Free. 21 or older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

AMERICAN THUNDER AT CASABLANCA Sept. 23–27, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. All styles of music and genres including classic and contemporary rock, contemporary and traditional country, dance/R&B hits and oldies favorites plus many more. Free. 21 or older. CasaBlanca Resort, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

TERRY WAYNE PROJECT AT CASABLANCA Sept. 30–Oct. 4, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. R&B, funk, dance, oldies, and classic rock. Free admission. 21 or older. Skydome Lounge, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

GRAND CIRCLE TRAILFEST Sept. 30–Oct. 6. 7 AM. Each day we'll run a segment of trail highlighting the natural landscape unique to that particular area. Each race is timed and you'll receive a cumulative time at the end of the festival on Saturday. Top finishers for each course will be crowned at Trailfest

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Headquarters in basecamp Kanab at the end of each day. Jacob Hamblin Park, 566 N. 100 E., Kanab.



STORY TIME 10 AM. Washington County Library, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

LIBRARY STORY TIME 2 PM. Stories, craft, and treat for all ages. Panguitch Library, 25 S. 200 E., Panguitch.



STORY TIME AT WASHINGTON BRANCH 10 AM, and 11 AM. Washington County Library, 220 N. 300 E., Washington.

TRIBUTE TO THE KING - CASABLANCA 6–10 PM. Starring John Brooks. Must be 21 or older. Free. "Voted Best of Las Vegas 2013 "Best Elvis Tribute Show" and "Best Lounge Performer." CasaBlanca Skydome Lounge, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

WEDNESDAYS

STORY TIME AT ST. GEORGE LIBRARY 10–11 AM, 11–12 AM, and 2–3 PM. Washington County Library, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

STORY TIME AT HURRICANE LIBRARY 11 AM. Washington County Library, 36 S. 300 W., Hurricane.

ANIME GAMER CLUB 3 PM. Teens and 'tweens who love anime, gaming, or both meet for book discussions, games, and great times. Santa Clara Library, 1099 Lava Flow Dr., St. George.

STILL LIFE WEDNESDAYS 4 PM. Three still life arrangements. Participants sketch or paint one or all three scenes. This free event is for adults. Art supplies not provided. All skill levels are welcome. Cedar City Library, 303 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

THURSDAYS

TODDLER TIME Thursday's s at 10 AM, 11 AM, and 1 PM, Friday's at 11 AM. Washington County Library, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

DESERT COMMUNITY STRINGS AND NEW HORIZONS STRINGS 5:30–7:30 PM. Open to all ages and abilities. If you used to play a stringed instrument and would like to get back to the joy of music, this group is definitely for you. desertstrings.org Basement of St. George Medical Building, 736 S. 900 E., St. George.

KARAOKE WITH DJ JANELLE AT MIKES TAVERN 9 PM. 90 W. Hoover Ave., Cedar City.



TAI CHI AT SANTA CLARA LIBRARY 10:30 AM. Washington County Library, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.



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This September, show us your best superhero pose for a chance to win \$100. Help spread the word by striking a library superhero stance and posting it to Instagram and Twitter using the hashtag #LibraryCardHero. The contest begins on September 1 and ends September 22. Tag your library branch as well.

For information on how to sign-up for your own library card, please call 435-634-5737 or log on to: www.library.washco.utah.gov SHARE FOR A CHANCE TO WIN!



FRIDAYS

MOMS 'N TOTS PLAYTIME 11 AM. Washington County Library, 36 S. 300 W., Hurricane.

PAROWAN'S FRIDAY NIGHT CONCERTS 8 PM. Free. Bring a chair or blanket. Parowan City Park, 50 S. Main St., Parowan.

DJ EZ LIVE AT MIKES TAVERN 9 PM, 90 W. Hoover Ave., Cedar City.

LIVE MUSIC AT PEEKABOO WOOD FIRED KITCHEN 7–9 PM. Free. 233 W. Center St., Kanab.



TUACAHN SATURDAY MARKET 10 AM. Every Saturday local artists, crafters, and vendors to come and show off their work. 1100 Tuacahn Dr., lvins.

CHARACTER SKETCHES 6:30 PM. Weekly non-instructed, non-mentored event during which live models are dressed as characters from literature. Participants sketch or paint the models. This is a free event for adults. Art supplies not provided. All skill levels are welcome. Cedar City Library, 303 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

Events by Date Fri, Sept 4

ST. GEORGE STREETFEST 6 PM. On the first Friday night of every month, downtown St. George transforms into a multi-stage outdoor concert venue and street market. Town square, 50 S. Main St., St. George.

STONE AND COMPANY AT PEEKABOO KITCHEN 7 PM. An upbeat blend of Euro-American roots music with a groovy twist. 233 W. Center St., Kanab.



AUSTIN GRAY BAND AT WING NUTZ 7 PM. 250 N. Red Cliffs Dr., St. George.

RAVEN CAIN BAND AT SAND HOLLOW RESORT 7:30 PM. The Raven Cain Band is a country and Southern rock band based out of Hurricane. 5662 W. Clubhouse Dr., Hurricane.

DJ AMB AT MIKE'S TAVERN 9 PM. 90 W. Hoover Ave., Cedar City.



ADULT COLORING CLUB 1 PM. Bring your coloring book and coloring pencils. St. George Branch Library, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB 2:30 PM. Washington County Library, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

Frig Sept 11 JENNA LINEWEAVER ARTIST RECEPTION

5 PM. Artist of the Month. Jenna enjoys incorporating mixed media such as fabric, paper, buttons, beads and other found objects into her paintings. Arrowhead Gallery ETC, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

DICK EARL AT PEEKABOO KITCHEN 7 PM. Blues and rock and roll. 233 W. Center St., Kanab.

IVINS CITY ANNUAL HERITAGE DAYS 2020 5–10 PM. There will be games, an outdoor movie, and food trucks. Ivins.

FESTIVAL OF MASKS–STORYTELLING CONTEST 6 PM. Free. Bobby the Warlock here. I had a dream, so you know this is going to be good. Bring your best stories and colorful masks, and get ready to compete for the best story. Keep it clean, because this is family-friendly and the crowd will judge! Location: MXC8+VC Cedar City, Utah (Google it!) Southwest Wildlife Foundation Preserve, Cedar City.

AUSTIN GRAY AT SAND HOLLOW RESORT 7:30 PM. 5662 W. Clubhouse Dr., Hurricane.



SCOTTISH STRONG! A REDSTONE HIGHLAND GAMES CONCERT 7 PM. An exciting evening of Highland music and dance featuring the award winning Salt Lake Scots Pipe Band and White Heather Dancers. Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

RIVERHOUSE BAND AT WING NUTZ 7 PM. Classic and southern rock with country blues. 250 N. Red Cliffs Dr., St. George.

VETS HELPING VETS BENEFIT AT MIKE'S TAVERN 9 PM. A great event for a great cause! 90 W. Hoover Ave., Cedar City.



TED VIGIL AT ST. GEORGE CONCERTS IN THE PARK 7:30 PM. John Denver Tribute. Park seating. (435) 627-4525. Vernon Worthen Park, St. George.

Tues, Sept 15

THE 1918 FLU PANDEMIC: LESSONS FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW 7:30 PM. Voyager Lecture Series with Dr. Ron Smith. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct, Ivins.

Thurs, Sept 17

BOOK ENDS BOOK CLUB 4:30 PM. Washington County Library, 220 N. 300 E., Washington.

HEARTSTRINGS: CELEBRATE BEETHOVEN'S 250TH BIRTHDAY 8 PM. Outdoors With The Fiery Cellos Of The Cello Society Of Southern Utah. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct, Ivins. WOODSHED JAM AT HURRICANE CONCERTS IN THE PARK 8 PM. Park seating. Hurricane Pioneer Park, 200 N. Main St., Hurricane.

TEEN BOOK CLUB 3:30 PM. Washington County Library, 36 S. 300 W., Hurricane.



DULCE AT PEEKABOO KITCHEN 7 PM. Free. Dulce is a husband and wife combo playing country, rock, bluegrass, and southern blues. 233 W. Center St., Kanab.



4TH ANNUAL COLORADO CITY MUSIC FESTIVAL 11 AM. This high end family friendly music festival brings visitors from all over the country to the Utah/ Arizona border community of Short Creek. Bigger and better than ever before. Maxwell Park, 1750 N. Maxwell Parkway, Hildale.

KANAB SHOW AND SHINE 5 PM. Every third Saturday until September. See many classic and new cars. Junction of Main and Center Streets, Kanab.

SOUTHERN UTAH'S LANTERN FESTIVAL 2020 5:30 PM. Enjoy the vendors, music, and designing/decorating your lanterns. Sand Hollow State Park: 3351 Sand Hollow Rd., Hurricane.

INSANITY STEW AT WING NUTZ 7 PM. Insanity Stew delivers a unique sound and stunning visual energy to the stage in a blend of classic, old time party music and live wire sound. 250 N. Red Cliffs Dr. #24, St. George.

Tues, Sept 22

ADULT COLORING CLUB 1 PM. Bring your coloring book and coloring pencils. St. George Branch Library, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.



READER'S CIRCLE BOOK CLUB 3 PM. Washington County Library, 36 S. 300 W., Hurricane.

SOUTHERN UTAH READING SUMMIT 2020 3:30 PM. Best practices for helping dyslexic students that struggle with reading. Desert Hills High School, 828 E. Desert Hills Dr., St. George.

CEDAR CITY FINAL FRIDAY ART WALK 5 PM. These events are fun for the entire family. Remember to wear your masks and practice social distancing. Art exhibits, demonstrations, live music, and more. Downtown Cedar City, 200 N. Main St., Cedar City.

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RED ROCK RONDO 7 PM. Hosted by Director/ Producer, Hal Cannon, Live Music with Hal of Shattrio after the film. In a frontier town at the gate of Zion National Park, a former punk rocker- turned town-mayor, has composed a musical portrait of his community. This film is an anthem to one of the West's favorite places, Zion National Park, and part of the park's "Century of Sanctuary" centennial celebration. Main Street Theaters, 905 S. Main St., St. George.

DAVE TATE AT PEEKABOO KITCHEN 7 PM. Free. Dave Tate's soulful style combines pure, powerful vocals with dynamic, rhythmic acoustic guitar and poetic lyricism. 233 W. Center St., Kanab.



FEE-FREE DAY AT ALL NATIONAL PARKS 6 AM. Come experience the national parks!

JUST BARELY AT WING NUTZ 7 PM. Just Barely is a local rock band. 250 N. Red Cliffs Dr., St. George.

PATRICK MCEWEN AT SAND HOLLOW RESORT 7:30 PM. Patrick McEwen plays classic rock., 5662 W. Clubhouse Dr., Hurricane.

FEW MILES SOUTH BAND AT MIKE'S TAVERN 9 PM. A female fronted country/roots group "bringing back that classical country sound and honky tonk atmosphere. 90 W. Hoover Av., Cedar City.



UTAH SYMPHONY 7:30 PM. Founded in 1940, the Utah Symphony is one of America's major symphony orchestras, known internationally for its distinctive performances and recording legacy. DSU, 225 S. University Ave., St. George.



TOM BENNETT AT PEEKABOO KITCHEN 7 PM. Free. Tom Bennett is a traveling Folk Singer from SLC. 233 W. Center St., Kanab.





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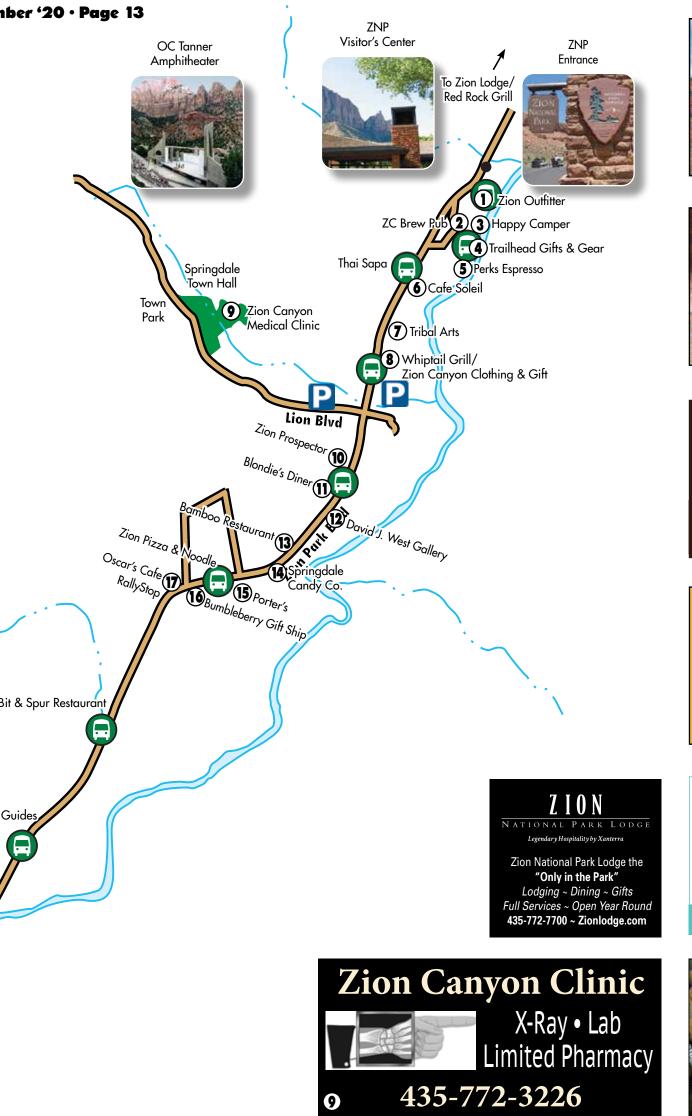
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SPRINGDALE'S FEATURED RESTAURANTS FROM ZION GUIDE

Restaurant (Listed by address from ZNP Entr	Address ance)	Phone	Drinks/Vegan (W)ine, (B)eer, (M)ixed Drinks (E)spresso, (V)egan items on menu	Hours	WI-FI
Red Rock Grill	1 Zion Lodge	435-772-7760	W, B, M, E, V	6:30-10:30am, 11:30am-3pm, 5-10pm daily	Yes
Zion Canyon Brew Pub	95 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0336	W, B, V	Noon-10pm daily	Yes
Happy Camper Market	95 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-7805	B, V	8am-8pm daily	Yes
Thai Sapa	145 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0510	W, B, E, V	11:30am-9:30pm daily	No
Perks Coffee Shop	147 Zion Park Blvd	435-668-0446	E	7am-4pm daily	No
Café Soleil	205 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0505	W, B, M, E, V	7am-9pm daily	No
Spotted Dog Cafe	428 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0700	W, B, M, E, V	7-11am, 5pm-9pm daily	Yes
Whiptail Grill	445 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0283	W, B, V	Noon-9:30pm daily	Yes
Moki	709 Zion Park Blvd	435-215-0520	W, B, M, E	7am-10am daily, 5:30pm-10pm Thurs-Mon	Yes
Blondie's Diner	736 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0595	B, V	11am-8:30pm Mon-Sat	Yes
Bamboo Chinese Restaurant	828 Zion Park Blvd	435-703-2882	V	11:30am-10pm daily	Yes
Zion Pizza & Noodle	868 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-3815	W, B, V	4pm-10pm daily	No
Porter's Smokehouse and Grill	897 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0115	W, B, M, E, V	6am-9pm daily	No
Oscar's Cafe	948 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-3232	W, B, E, V	7am-9pm daily	No
Switchback Grille Restaurant	1149 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-3700	W, B, M, E, V	5-8pm daily	No
Jack's Sports Grill Restaurant	1149 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-3700	W, B, M, V	Noon-9pm daily	No
Bit & Spur Restaurant & Saloon	1212 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-3498	W, B, M, E, V	5pm-11pm daily	Yes
Park House Café	1880 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0100	W, B, V	8am-2pm daily	Yes

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Zion National Park is known for its scenic landscape and unrivaled hikes. No matter your fitness level, there are hikes here for you. Please go to ZionGuide.com to see the details on many area hikes. **Spend a day in Springdale**

Springdale is unique to our national park system in that it is almost completely surrounded by Zion National Park. So when you're in Springdale, you're right in the middle of Zion Canyon.

Visit the east side of Zion and spend a day in Kanab

The east side of Zion is generally less crowded, making hikes more accessible and private. These are some of the most enjoyable hikes in the canyon. You can spot wildlife you won't see elsewhere in the canyon. The city of Kanab, situated east of the canyon, is full of unique attractions.

Take lots of pictures, leave only footprints

Be sure you've got extra charged batteries, smartphone cables, and memory cards so you can capture all the magic of Zion National Park. Additionally, there are numerous photo tour and guiding companies to assist you. Thank you for visiting the Zion National Park area.

General Tips For Zion

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Golf Tournament

To avoid the crowds, go early or later in the day Consider getting up extra early or trekking out midday after the initial rush has flooded in.

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Safety Tips For Zion

Emergencies

For 24-hour emergency response, call 911 or (435) 772-3322. The Zion Canyon Medical Clinic is located in Springdale near the south entrance to the park. For hours, please call (435) 772-3226. Other medical clinics are located in Hurricane. The nearest hospitals are in St. George, Cedar City, and Kanab.

Hydrate and use refillable water bottles

It is easy to get dehydrated while hiking and walking in the desert, so pack along extra water, and be sure to take rest and water breaks on long hikes. There are a number of places to refill your water bottles in Zion National Park including the visitors' center and Zion Lodge as well as a new hydration station at the Springdale bus stop in front of The Bumbleberry Inn and Zion Canyon Brew Pub.

Be cautious near steep cliffs

Falls from cliffs on trails can result in death. Loose sand or pebbles on stone are very slippery. Be careful of edges when using cameras or binoculars. Never throw or roll rocks because there may be hikers below you. Stay on the trail. Stay back from cliff edges. Observe posted warnings. Please watch children.

Watch for flash floods

All narrow canyons are potentially hazardous. Flash floods, often caused by storms miles away, are a real danger and can be life threatening. You are assuming a risk when entering a narrow canyon. Your safety is your responsibility.

Tips To Minimize Your Impact

Each month, Zion National Park pays many thousands of dollars to haul away waste collected from garbage cans and recycling bins. Your experience and that of everyone who visits Zion Canyon can be improved by never littering and making sure you pick up any trash you see along the way. Recycling bins are placed strategically throughout Zion Park, and it is highly encouraged for

Pack it in, pack it out & use recycling bins



everyone to use them. Please stay on the marked trails

Hiking off trails can lead to loss of vegetation, soil compaction, erosion, and unsightly scars on the landscape. Remember, if you bring it in, please pack it out.

Go before you go

It is always a good idea to use the restroom before you begin a hike since facilities are limited to select locations. If you do need to take care of your business, please pack it back out.

Be respectful to the wildlife

Feeding, harming, or capturing wild animals is illegal and can cause injury or death to the animal. Animals can become aggressive beggars when fed.

Please leave it how you found it

It is illegal to remove anything from Zion National Park, including flowers, rocks, or anything else that you might find. Do not write or carve on natural surfaces.



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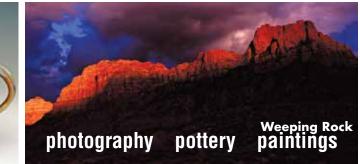
Tips To Maximize Enjoyment

Go on a less crowded hike

The most visited Zion have a lot of competition. If you'd rather not feel like you're in the line at a theme park, consider seeking out a less traveled path. Check out our newest feature, Less-Traveled Zion Hikes.





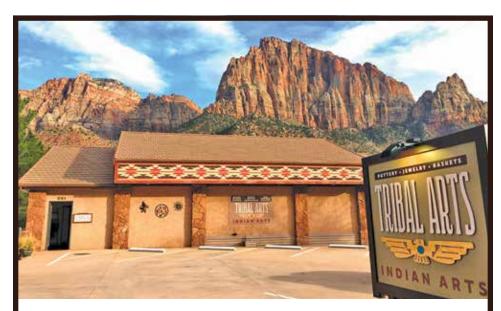




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Zion Canyon Shuttle & Parking Info

Get Your Shuttle Tickets Before You Head to Zion National Park For A More Pleasant Experience

All Visitors to Zion National Park Who Wish To Use The Shuttle System Are Required to Purchase a Ticket to Ride the Shuttle.

The new shuttle ticketing system is complex but quite easy to navigate once you understand the process. We highly recommend you visit www.Recreation.gov and acquaint yourself with the Help Center article for more details on purchasing a ticket, and setting up an account so your experience is a pleasant one. What's most important to understand is this; the Scenic Drive is now closed to private vehicles.

As of July 1, 2020, you will need a ticket to ride the park shuttles into Zion Canyon. The shuttle provides access along the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive to areas including Emerald Pools, West Rim Trail, the Riverside Walk, and the Narrows. This applies to ALL

visitors who wish to use the ZNP Shuttles.

You can recreate along and drive through the tunnel on the Zion-Mount Carmel Highway (State Route 9, Vehicle size restrictions apply), drive the scenic Kolob Terrace Road to access additional hikes, and park and hike trails near the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, among other opportunities.

However, Zion National Park is implementing a shuttle ticket system to enable visitor access to upper Zion Canyon and the Scenic Drive while meeting COVID-19 public health guidelines. Use of the shuttle ticket system is temporary, designed to operate through December 2020. Who Needs a Ticket?

Everyone, and we mean, everyone! You will need the Shuttle Ticket to board at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center shuttle stop, paying attention to the date and boarding time printed on the ticket. Once you are in Zion Canyon, you will be able to get on and off the shuttle using the same ticket as many times as you want. If you choose to walk or

bike into Zion Canyon, you will still need a ticket if you want to take the shuttle at some point during that day. The non-refundable ticket fee is \$1 USD.

Tickets are available for one-hour blocks between 6 am and 3 pm. You can board the next available shuttle at the visitor center any time during the one-hour time window you have reserved. Your ticket must be printed or downloaded and available for park staff to scan the QR code. Some lines may still occur.

Tickets are good for only one person boarding at the Visitor Center, once upcanyon you may stay as long as you choose, and get on and off the shuttle at all up-canyon stops as often you want. Your ticket will also provide shuttle service back to the visitor center when you are done up-canyon.

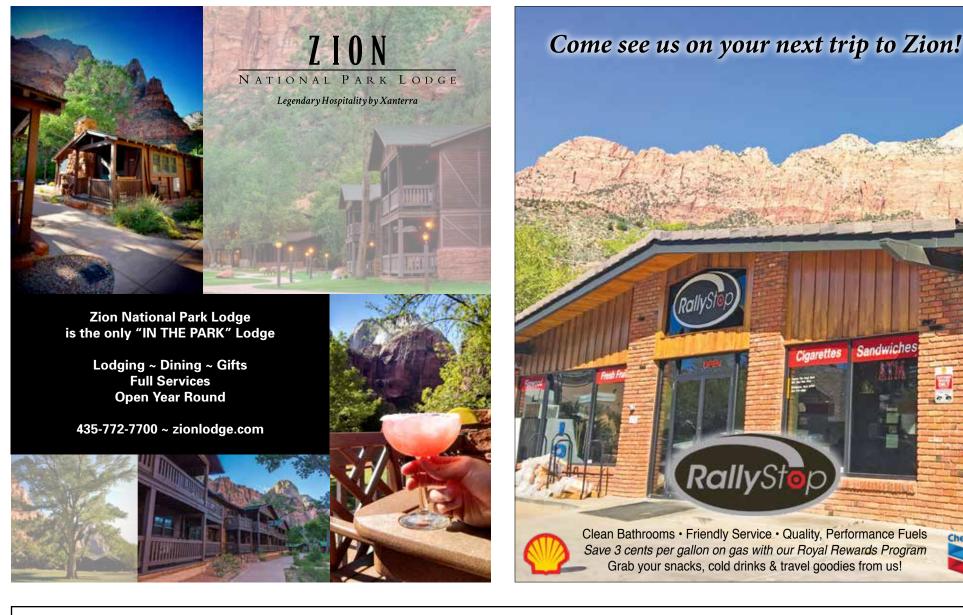
Only 1 ticket is needed per day (per person), unless you want to board again at the visitor center later in the day. Shuttles run into the evening and a shuttle ticket is required for each day you wish to ride the shuttle.

What if you don't have a ticket when you arrive?

There is now an Afternoon Walk-Up available for those without advance shuttle tickets. Visitors can arrive at the visitor center between 3 pm and 6 pm and board shuttles on a first-come, first-served basis. The number of tickets will be limited, and boarding is not guaranteed.

You must have a shuttle ticket to ride the shuttles. If you paid the entrance fee you will only need to pay the 1 USD ticket fee.

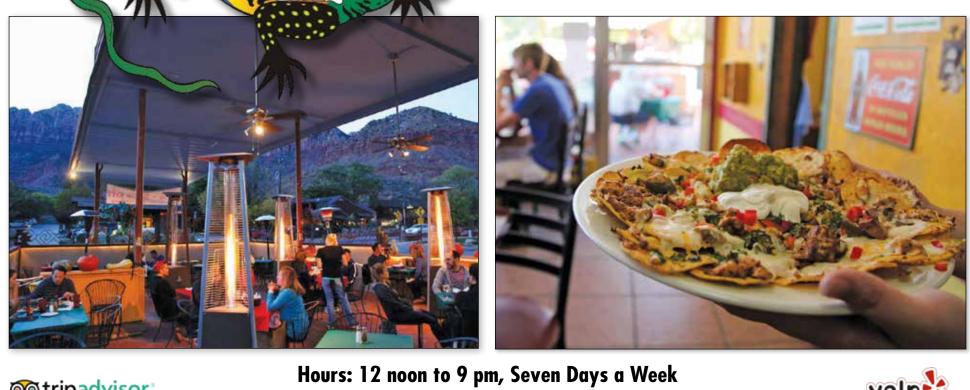
Go to Recreation.gov and click on "Sign Up" in the top right corner. From there, follow the prompts to create an account. You must have an account to purchase a ticket. Plan Ahead If You Know When You Will Be Visiting. There are two booking windows for obtaining tickets. One block of advance tickets will be released 2+ weeks in advance and a second block of tickets will be released one day in advance.



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Zion Area Annual Events Calendar

Currently, most events are canceled due to the Covid19 pandemic. Please check before attending any events.

May-Oct. Kanab Outdoor Market

Nursery stock, baked goods, local artistry, jewelry, crafts and goods, free bounce house and balloons for the kids.

May Kanab 10K A beautiful course sanctioned by USA Track and Field along Hwy 89 from Moqui Cave to the Kanab City Park.

May Amazing Earthfest Southern Utah's festival of learning, arts, and outdoor adventure.

June Jacob Hamblin Days Festival A fun festival to celebrate the pioneer and Western heritage of Kanab and Kane County.

June–Aug. DSU Summer Concert Series Enjoy a variety of live performances by bands, orchestras and solo artists. Located at the O.C. Tanner Amphitheater, just outside of Zion National Park.

JuneMaynardDixonCountryCampoutA5-day gathering of artists and artlovers insterested in the history of Western art and currentWestern painting.

July Kanab 4th of July Celebration Celebrate the nation's Independence Day small-town style in charming Kanab, Utah! Parade, vendors, entertainment and festivities throughout the day into the evening.

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July Springdale 4th of July Celebration Celebrate Independence Day with the Springdale community. Kick off with a parade followed by a barbecue, live music and activities for the whole family to enjoy.

July 24th of July Celebration Celebrate the state of Utah with a pioneer dinner. Get ready for the fourth annual Kabob-a-Que.

July Pioneer Day Celebration

Games, Dutch oven dinner at the park and a great costume parade celebrating pioneer heritage. August Symphony at the Grand Canyon

Symphony of the Canyons performs on the patio at the North Rim Lodge. Bring a picnic dinner and listen as the sun sets over the Grand Canyon.

August Kane County Fair

Offering many wonderful events for the whole family. Most of the events are free so dont miss out. August Western Legends Round-up

Kanab's celebration of film, music, poetry, and Western heritage.

September Big Water Dinosaur Festival Celebrating past and present dinosaur discoveries in the Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument.

September Demolition Derby

Cars, trucks and "figure 8s" with up to 18 cars demolition derby with events for the entire family, including the Power Wheels Derby for kids and the wife-carrying contest! September Carmel Mtn. Music and Art Festival and Car Show

Check out fancy cars and enjoy live entertainment, vendors, food and kid-friendly activites.

September Glendale Heritage Apple Festival The Glendale Heritage Apple Festival was started to celebrate Pioneer Heritage and the many talents that are in this small town.

September Duck Creek End of Summer Bash 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Duck on In Saloon in Duck Creek Village. Come spend your Labor Day Weekend in Duck Creek enjoying live music.

September Zion Canyon Music Festival

Enjoy the beautiful fall season in Zion as the canyon is filled with music. The Zion Canyon Music Festival features music, art and an exquisite backdrop.

October Red Rocktoberfest

Art, food, live music and poetry, dancing, wagon rides, photography, games and activities for the kids, all on the main drag in Kanab. German food and activities.

October Zion Rocktoberfest Celebrate the start of fall in Zion mixed with traditional

Oktoberfest aspects. The event will feature live rock and folk music and many other activities.

Nov.-Dec. Zion Joy to the World Enjoy a wonderland of events in a weekend celebrating winter. Be a part of a community tree lighting, craft fairs, musical events and the fourth annual Light Parade. **November Butch Cassidy 10K Run** This 10K/5K scenic race brings together community, and not just with running. Stay after for some Grafton fun with what is promised to be a party.

November K-town Turkey Trot 5K

Taking place in Kanab on Thanksgiving morning, bring the whole family for this early morning fun run/walk to make room for that delicious dinner later in the day!

November Plein Air Art Invitational

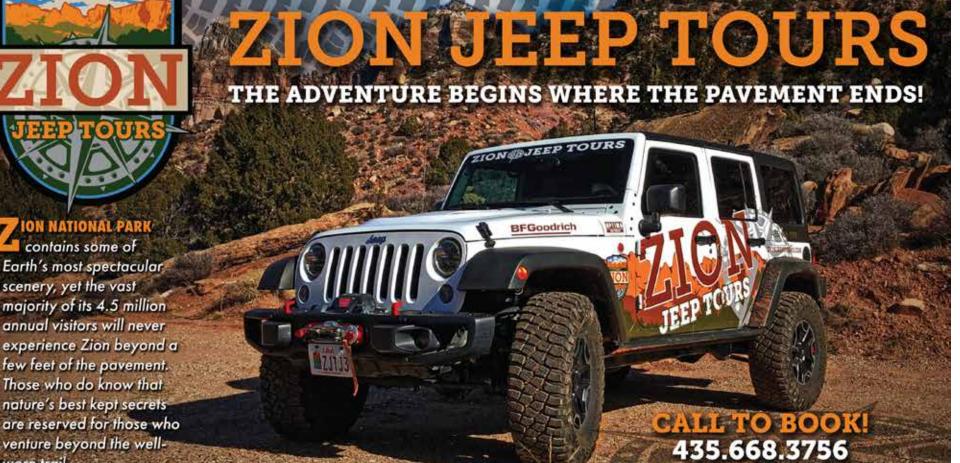
Be a part of a week of lectures and demonstrations from some of the finest plein air artists in the country. Enjoy painting sales, exhibits and workshops.

November Christmas Light Parade and Festival An annual light parade on the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Gourmet s'mores school held on Main Street followed by music, caroling, hot cocoa and a wishing lantern launch.

November Zion Canyon Arts and Crafts Fair Visit Zion for the 26th annual arts and crafts fair put on by Z-Arts. Spend the weekend touring the different vendors and craft booths.

December Windsor Castle by Night

Held at historic Pipe Springs National Monument, the Castle by Night is an opportunity to enjoy a historic recreation of an 1860's early settlement by candlelight and music.



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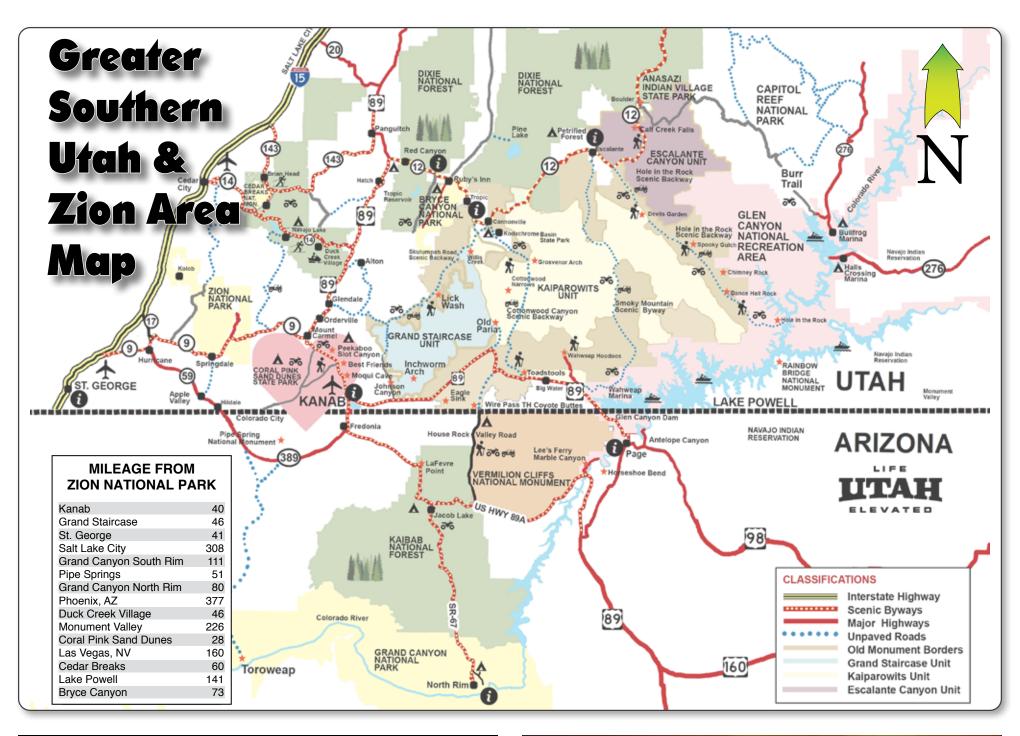
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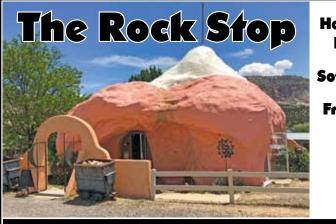
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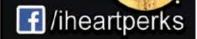
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 $\ensuremath{\textbf{BAKER}}$ - Baker Reservoir is a small lake on the Santa Clara River four miles north of Veyo on Utah State Route 18. It is a 63-acre lake with an average depth of about 20 feet. Many people come to the reservoir to camp at one of its 10 campsites and to fish. The reservoir is stocked with rainbow trout and contains brown trout, green sunfish, crayfish, redside shiner, and mountain sucker. It has picnic areas and vault toilets. There is a fee for visiting the reservoir and no boat ramp.

BRYCE CANYON - Bryce Canyon National Park is a scientist's laboratory and a child's playground. Because Bryce transcends 2,000 feet of elevation, the park exists in three distinct climatic zones: spruce/fir forest, ponderosa pine forest and pinion pine/juniper forest. This diversity of habitat provides for high biodiversity. Here at Bryce, you can enjoy over 100 species of birds, dozens of mammals, and more than a thousand plant species. (435) 834-5322.

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CORAL PINK SAND DUNES - At an elevation of 6,000 feet and 12 paved miles off U.S. Highway 89 near Kanab, this park provides a fantastic setting for camping, hiking, OHV riding or just playing in the sand. A 265-acre conservation area prohibits motorized vehicles in order to protect the Coral Pink beetle (found nowhere else in the world) and its habitat. The mule deer, jackrabbit, kit fox, coyote, and many small rodents also make the park their home. (435) 648-2800.

DEAD HORSE POINT - Dead Horse Point State Park is perhaps Utah's most spectacular state park. Dead Horse Point is a promontory of stone surrounded by steep cliffs near Moab. The overlook at Dead Horse Point is 6,000 feet above sea level. Two-thousand feet below, the Colorado River winds its way from the continental divide in Colorado to the Gulf of California, a distance of 1,400 miles. (435) 259-2614.

DINOSAUR TRACKS - The St. George Dinosaur Discovery Site at Johnson Farm is home to exceptionally well-preserved dinosaur tracks, some displaying skin impressions. These tracks, along with hundreds of fossil fish, plants, rare dinosaur remains, invertebrates' traces, and important sedimentary structures, show evidence that this site was produced along the western edge of a large,

Early Jurassic (age between 195-198 million years ago) freshwater lake. (435) 574-3466.

ENTERPRISE - There are two reservoirs in the Bull Valley Mountains 10 miles southwest of the town of Enterprise. The main one is Upper Enterprise Reservoir, about 250 acres with an average depth of about 50 feet, while Lower Enterprise Reservoir is 79 acres. Many come to the reservoir to camp, fish hike, and boat. The Honeycomb Campground is situated between both lakes and has 21 campsites and flush toilets. There is a boat ramp on Upper Enterprise Reservoir and several fishing areas around both reservoirs. Fishermen will find rainbow trout and smallmouth bass here. Fees are charged.

FOUR CORNERS - The Four Corners is the

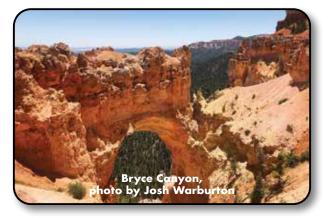
only place in the U.S. where four states come together at one place: Arizona, New Mexico, Utah and Colorado. Here, a person can put each of their hands and feet in four states at the same time. The unique landmark is on Navajo Nation land and is open for visits from the public. West of U.S. Highway 160, 40 miles southwest of Cortez, Colo. (928) 871-6436.

GRAND CANYON - A World Heritage Site encompassing 1,218,375 acres on the Colorado Plateau in northwestern Arizona. The land is semi-arid and consists of raised plateaus and structural basins typical of the southwestern United States. (928) 638-7888.

GRAND STAIRCASE-ESCALANTE NATIONAL MONUMENT - Nearly 1.9 million acres of America's public lands and located between Bryce Canyon and Glen Canvon Recreational Areas. From its namesake Grand Staircase of cliffs and terraces across the rugged Kaiparowits Plateau to the beauty of the Escalante River Canyons, the Monument's size, resources, and isolated location provide amazing opportunities.

GUNLOCK - In scenic red rock country, 15 miles northwest of St. George, lies the 240-acre Gunlock State Park and Reservoir where yearround boating, water sports, and quality fishing for bass and catfish attract visitors. Facilities include boat launching ramp and pit privies. (435) 628-2255.

LAKE MEAD - Lake Mead National Recreation Area offers a wealth of things to do and places to go year-round. Its huge lakes cater to boaters, swimmers, sunbathers and fishermen, while its desert rewards hikers, wildlife photographers, and roadside sightseers. It is also home to thousands of desert plants and animals adapted to survive in an extreme place where rain is scarce and temperatures soar. (702) 293-8990.



LAKE POWELL - In Glen Canyon National Recreation Area is one of the world's great places for houseboating! The 186-mile-long lake offers sandy beaches, cool blue water, and exceptional red-rock scenery. It is excellent for boating, skiing, kayaking, and fishing. Boat or hike to Rainbow Bridge, or explore any of its many canyons or sand dunes. (928) 608-6200.

PINE VALLEY - Pine Valley Reservoir is a beautiful place for fishermen to fish brook trout and rainbow trout. The reservoir is near the Pine

Valley Recreation Complex, which has over 150 campsites with picnic and restroom facilities. This area is greener than most other parts of southwestern Utah with pine and pinion trees, and many come to enjoy camping and hiking. It is west of the town of Central. (435) 652-3100.

QUAIL LAKE - Quail Creek State Park provides excellent year-round camping, picnicking, boating, and trout and bass fishing in sunny southwest Utah. The park is three miles east of the Interstate 15 Hurricane exit on Utah State Route 9. Facilities include 23 campsites, modern restrooms, a fish cleaning station, and two covered group-use pavilions. (435) 879-2378.

SAND HOLLOW - Looking to fish? Swim? Ride your ATV in the sand? Do all that and more at Sand Hollow State Park, located between St. George and Hurricane. Bring your boat, a picnic, and some fishing gear for a fun day on the reservoir, or watch the kids swim while you relax on the beach. Load up your RV or tent and settle in for a nice campout, or ride your ATV in the dunes of Sand Mountain. (435) 680-0715.

SNOW CANYON - Named after early Utah leaders Lorenzo and Erastus Snow, Snow Canyon State Park begins just outside of lvins and stretches northward. Spectacular scenery includes towering red and white sandstone cliffs, black lava formations, and even a waterfall that appears during heavy rain. Snow Canyon offers 16 miles of hiking trails, beautiful sand dunes, technical rock climbing sites, horseback riding, year-round camping, nature studies, and wildlife viewing. This park is a favorite for locals and visitors alike. (435) 628-2255.

ZION - With breathtaking views, numerous hiking attractions of all difficulty levels and some of the most spectacular scenery on earth, Zion National Park and its surrounding areas attract thousands of visitors every year. This natural wonder is not only a mecca of recreational activity, but Zion and nearby Springdale host numerous cultural activities, as well. There's something for everyone in Zion – whether you're looking for a challenging hike or a fun excursion for the family. (435) 772-3256.



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Less-Traveled Zion Hikes

Trail Closures (as of March 1 '20)

The Weeping Rock Trail, Hidden Canyon Trail, and Observation Point Trail (East Rim from Weeping Rock) are closed due to rockfall damage. These closures are indefinite at this time. Lower Emerald Pools Trail is closed for trail repairs until Spring 2020.

Hiking is popular in Zion National Park, and popular hikes are seeing record visitation at peak days and times. For a less congested trek, consider these less-traveled hikes.

Northgate Peaks

By Don Gilman

The Northgate Peaks trail in the Kolob Terrace section of Zion National Park is an amazing trail with spectacular views. The trail itself is nearly flat, making it a perfect hike for families.

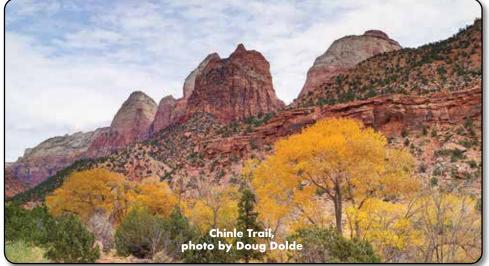
To reach the Northgate Peaks trailhead, take State Route 9 to the town of Virgin. Turn left onto Kolob Terrace Road. Drive for 15.7 miles through increasingly spectacular country until the short spur road (on the

3 miles long and will take about 2 hours to finish.

To start this hike, park in the lot located immediately east of the Zion/Mt. Carmel Tunnel. The trail begins at the backside of the restrooms at the back of the parking lot. There will be a steep, sandy path to climb down before you enter Pine Creek slot. Follow the path upstream for almost 75 feet, and look for a 15-foot wall of slickrock. You can scramble up the rock or look for the beaten path on the backside of the rock.

On top of this wall is a narrow dirt path that is crowded by rock and vegetation. It winds around the mountain to a dead end with a beautiful view of the mountain where the Canyon Overlook Trail is located, opposite is Gifford Canyon.

The path will lead past stone bridge and to another minor slickrock climb. At the end of the canyon, there is a circle of cliffs preventing further exploration without climbing up the sandstone.



right) for the Wildcat Trailhead is reached. Drive a few hundred feet to the large parking area.

The trail heads east across grassy plains and stands of Ponderosa Pine with dynamite views of the towering Pine Valley Peak to the west. Soon the trail will be fully in the forest with limited views. After 0.9 miles, the junction with the Hop Valley trail is reached. Continue east, and 0.1 miles further, the junction with the Northgate Peaks Trail is reached. Head south on this trail for another 1.1 miles until the end of the official trail is reached at a rocky basalt bluff with epic views of the Northgate Peaks to the east and west and of North Guardian Angel to the south.

For families with young children, this makes an excellent turnaround spot.

Gifford Canyon

By Bo Beck

ON SUNDAY

EVENINGS!

Gifford Canyon offers a nice stroll through a sandy wash and is very charming when water is running. This hike is nearly

Chinle Trail By Greta Hyland

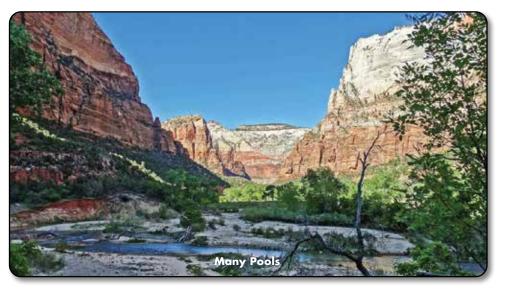
Chinle Trail is an off-the-beaten-path trail located in the lower elevation west desert wilderness area, offering wide vistas, desert landscapes, and a reprieve from the more touristy trails in the park. Though it's a long trail, it's a mellow hike that can be cut off whenever you feel like turning around. It's a great hike with kids because it's not treacherous, slippery, or steep. Avoid it after

snow or rain as it will be muddy. The Chinle Trailhead starts outside of Zion, south of Springdale. If you are coming from St. George, the turn is about a block before you hit the apple orchard and stand as you leave Rockville off of State Route 9. There is a parking area off the right of Anasazi Way near the Anasazi Plateau housing development. If you hit houses, you missed it. And ves, the trail starts below the housing development and takes you right through it. Don't worry though, it doesn't last long.

Shortly after you get through the housing development, you will hit a sign letting you know you are entering the Zion Wilderness. At this point, you can breathe a sigh of relief, because you have gotten away from civilization to enjoy nature, and chances are that you won't see another soul until you return to your car.

Watch for a sign that indicates the direction to Hidden Canyon.

A well-traveled path takes trekkers between sheer sandstone walls rising up hundreds of feet, made up by some of Zion's most famous landmarks: Cable Mountain and the Great White Throne. Once beyond the end



Many Pools

By Candice Reed

The route is moderate with a gentle uphill climb to an alcove, but plan for a strenuous hike if you continue to the East Rim.

The route begins right off the highway. Drive to the pullout near the second drainage on the north side of the State Route 9, about 0.8 miles after the smaller tunnel. Walk carefully along the road about 150 yards and drop down into a sandy bowl on the north side of SR-9. There is a trail for a short distance, and then the sand turns into large flat stones that you can pick and choose to walk on, depending on your sense of balance. A short distance off the road, filled pools carved into the rocks appear. Ponderosa Pines and Juniper trees twisted by the wind are a good backdrop to the reds and whites ribboned through the rocks.

Hidden Canyon

By Bo Beck and Tanya Milligan

Hidden Canyon features steep ascents, narrow foot paths, and switchbacks on a narrow cliffside with exposure at high elevations. Some parts have chains to use for assistance. Be cautious near slippery sandstone areas with steep dropoffs. Expect full sun in most places after the early morning. Once you are into the canyon, it is shady and surprisingly cool.

This impressive 2.2-mile roundtrip hike begins at the same busy trailhead as Weeping Rock, Observation Point, and the East Rim. Begin at the Weeping Rock Trailhead, which quickly splits to the left. The trail you want to follow bears right toward the East Rim, Observation Point, and Hidden Canyon.

of the actual trail and into the slot canyon, look for small sandstone caves and a 20-foot long arch. Be careful to only explore as far as you know is safe for you! Few should ever venture past the freestanding arch.

Sandstone pools at the end of this hike are a favorite spot of the delightful and boisterous canyon tree frogs. Look for the tiny gray creatures near the water, and listen for their loud trilling. Past the pools is the end of the Hidden Canyon Trail.

Overlook Trail

By Charlotte Emett

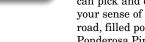
The Overlook Trail is a short, beautiful hike located on the east side of Zion National Park, just outside the Mt. Carmel tunnel. The hike is about one mile roundtrip, and it usually takes people about an hour. It is definitely one of the easier hikes in Zion, but it's still considered a moderate-level hike due to a few exposed areas and sandstone pathways, which can be slippery.

The Overlook trailhead lies right outside of the Mt. Carmel tunnel by the ranger booth. Exit the tunnel too quickly and you'll miss it.

It begins with a staircase carved out of the sandstone leading up and away from the road. Soon, you'll be walking along the side of the mountain and looking down into a thin crevice known as Pine Creek Canyon. At about halfway, you'll walk across a bridge that wraps around a corner and leads to an area of recessed rock wet with the moisture that caused it to erode and be filled with ferns growing out of the sandstone.







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Popular Zion Hikes

The Weeping Rock Trail, Hidden Canyon Trail, and Observation Point Trail (East Rim from Weeping Rock) are closed due to rockfall damage. These closures are indefinite at this time. Lower Emerald Pools Trail is closed for trail repairs until Spring 2020.

Warning: These hikes are *very* popular and often overcrowded. While they are well worth doing, expect them to be a little congested.

If you are feeling up to some of the more *difficult* hikes, try some of these popular hikes.

Angels Landing via West Rim Trail

Possibly the most popular hike in Zion, Angels Landing takes around four hours to complete and covers just under 5 1/2 miles. As you work your way up the 1,488-foot change in elevation, you'll want to look out for long drop-offs. This hike is not for young children or people with a fear of heights. Be sure to enjoy, but be careful along the last section of the hike, which is a steep, narrow ridge to the summit. The hike starts at The Grotto.

Observation Point via East Rim

This hike climbs through Echo Canyon

to a viewpoint of Zion Canyon and offers

access to Cable Mountain, Deertrap, and

East Mesa trails. Plan for at least half of

a day as this hike takes around five hours

to complete and stretches over 8 miles. The

2,148-foot change in elevation from start to

finish has long drop-offs, so be careful. Like

Hidden Canyon Trail, this hike starts at

The Narrows via Riverside Walk

can pose extra dangers depending on the

weather. High water levels can prevent

access to the Narrows, so be sure to check

with the visitor center before beginning

this 9 1/2-mile hike. You'll start this hike at

A full-day hike at 8 hours, the Narrows

Trail

Weeping Rock.

Temple of Sinawava.

Kolob Arch via La Verkin Creek Trail

Getting to Kolob Arch via the La Verkin Creek Trail follows Timber and La Verkin creeks and connects to the trail to Kolob Arch, one of the world's largest freestanding arches. A full-day hike, it will take around 8 hours to finish the 14-fourteen mile trip. This hike starts at Kolob Canyons Road.

If you are looking for something more **moderate**, try some of these mid-range hikes.

Watchman Trial

Starting at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, this hike takes about two hours and covers just under 3 miles. The 368-foot elevation has some minor drop-offs and ends at a view point for Tower of the Virgin, lower Zion Canyon, and Springdale.

Middle Emerald Pools Trail

A two-hour hike, Middle Emerald Pools has long drop-offs. The unpaved trail to the Middle Emerald Pools has loose sand and slippery rocks. You'll cover two miles in 2 hours over the course of a 150-foot elevation gain. The hike starts at Zion Lodge.

Upper Emerald Pool Trail

Starting at Zion Lodge, this is a shorter trail covering one mile

in about an hour. You will rise 200-feet in elevation, and there are minor drop-offs.

Kayenta Trail

This two-hour hike starts at the Grotto and goes for two miles. You'll gain 150 feet in elevation, and the trail does have long drop-offs. This unpaved climb connects the Grotto to the Emerald Pools trails.

C a n y o n Overlook Trail

Starting at Zion-Mt. Carmel Highway, this one-hour hike provides a 163-foot

gain in elevation over the course of a mile. This rocky and uneven trail ends at a viewpoint for Pine Creek Canyon and lower Zion Canyon. While this trail is mostly fenced, there are long drop-offs.

You'll begin this five-mile hike at Kolob Canyons Road. It should take around 4 hours to complete and provides a 450-foot gain in elevation. Larger groups may need to split up, as this hike limits 12 people to a group. It follows the Middle Fork of Taylor Creek past two homestead cabins to Double Arch Alcove.

Timber Creek Overlook Trail

A quick hike, the Timber Creek Overlook Trail covers just one mile and 100 feet in elevation gain. It can be done in about 30 minutes. The trail follows a ridge to a small peak with views of Timber Creek, Kolob Terrace, and Pine Valley Mountains.

Those looking for something **less** strenuous should check out these easy hikes. Pa'rus Trail

Starting at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, this two-hour hike covers 3 1/2 miles and rises 50 feet in elevation. A paved trail that follows the Virgin River from the South Campground to Canyon Junction, Pa'rus Trail is wheelchair accessible and is open to both bicycles and dogs.

Archeology Trail

Also starting at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, this short half-hour hike covers just under half a mile and rises 80 feet in elevation, making it a short but steep trail. This trail offers trailside exhibits and views of several prehistoric buildings.

Lower Emerald Pool Trail

This paved trail leads to the Lower Emerald Pool and waterfalls. It also connects to the Middle Emerald Pools Trail. It should take about an hour and covers just over one mile with 69 feet in elevation gain.

Grotto Trail

Starting at Zion Lodge or the Grotto, this trail connects the two locations and can be combined with the Middle Emerald Pools and Kayenta trails to create a 2 1/2-mile loop. The non-loop version should take about 30 minutes and rises 35 feet over one mile.

Weeping Rock Trail

A short but steep hike, the Weeping Rock Trail offers trailside exhibits. This paved trail ends at a rock alcove with dripping springs. It rises 98 feet over just under a half mile. It can be completed in about 30 minutes.

Riverside Walk

Starting at Temple of Sinawava, this 1 1/2-hour hike cover just over two miles and rises 57 feet in elevation. While it is wheelchair accessable, there are minor dropoffs. The trail, which is paved, offers trailside exhibits as it follows the Virgin Rivet along the bottom of a narrow canyon.



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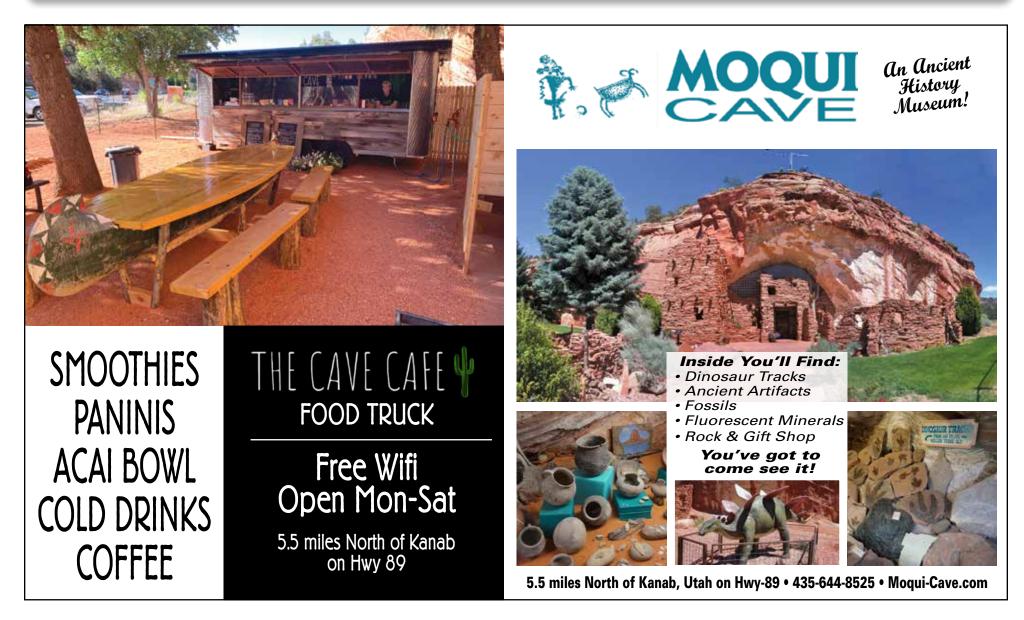


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10 Wild Thyme	198 S 100 E, Kanab	(435) 644-2848	W, B, M, V		Yes

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