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EDITORIAL

PATRIOTISM

By James McFadden



I love July, specifically, the 4th of July and everything it has come to represent in my life.

My father was a patriotic man, he served in the Marines and was part of the fleet that put the first boots in

Vietnam.

He wasn't proud of that. He was conflicted and angered by many of the things that went into that war. In Particular, the political torcher it put our Nation through. Nevertheless, he loved America and everything it stands for; or at the very least, tries to stand for.

America isn't perfect, no Nation on



this planet is. But its principles have made many great things possible. And those principles still do. And God willing, they will continue to do so for many generations to come.

Everything that is happening in our society today is because of the foundation this great Nation has been built on. Riots and protests, whether peaceful or not are possible because of the Constitutional foundation that was put in place. Imagine turning you back to the flag or the supreme leader in North Korea and you'll see what I mean.

The founders of this great Nation believed that "All men were created equal." It took some time for that to start being realized, and it is still in the process of becoming self-evident. But for many, this principle has always been held sacred and up to that standard which was first embodied as our Nation was born.

President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, as the nation approached its third year of bloody civil war. The proclamation declared "that all persons held as slaves" within the rebellious states "are, and henceforward shall be free." You see, not ALL states tolerated slavery, it was *rebellious states* that were not willing to embrace what the world was in the process of embracing, and it took a war, among other things, to start the process of eradicating that practice from our lands and from our hearts.

The war against racism has been fought for hundreds of years and continues to be fought up to this day. It started as early as 1787 in Britain and then at the National Assembly in 1789 when the assembly adopted the "Declaration of the Rights of Man". That was during the French Revolution!

As I said, this is not a perfect Nation. Some of our forefathers made some serious mistakes, but many of them have also tried to undo those mistakes. And men like them continue to do so today.

I love the principles this Nation was and is built on. They are making progress possible. We can't throw everything aside just because parts of it are broken. We need to work together and solve our problems as a Nation and build or rebuild those parts that need to be fixed. We can't do that if we are divided, we must find a way to come to the table together. And I believe it's possible, because the principles written in the Constitution tell me to believe in something bigger and better than what we had yesterday. That's what I'm a patriot of, that hope that we can build something better, together. God Bless the U.S.A.

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EDITORIAL

PUBLISHER'S PERSPECTIVE
By Josh Warburton



If you've been awake at all over the past few weeks, you know one thing, it's hot! So yup, I'm going to talk about the weather. Or, more specifically, ways of dealing with the heat of summer.

This year as the heat hit us all in the Western U.S. with an early wave; I've spent an inordinate amount of time trying to figure out how to stay cool and comfort-



able. So, I want to share a handful of things I've been doing myself and then a shortlist of other ideas to beat the heat.

For starters, I've been waking up early! It's not that I'm generally a late sleeper anyway, but as the sun has been rising so early, I've been taking advantage of a little extra time each morning to workout, play some tennis, get some yard work in, or otherwise take care of things that wouldn't be as fun in the heat. Of course, this means crashing out earlier for me, so I don't get much of the cooler evenings... but who are we kidding? It's typically not getting cool until after 10 PM anyway. I'm in bed by

about then!

Fans have become my new best friend. I bought a fancy Dyson for the bedroom with remote control and whisper-quiet operation for when we're sleeping. I also picked up an extra cheap fan for my work-out area in the garage. And I've got a tiny one on my desk. Kind of an obvious one, but it's sure been helping.

I've also been using ice packs on my neck when I do have to go out in the heat. I just wrap them in a handkerchief and tie them around my neck. Another version of this I use is just to soak and wring out my shirt. Ooooooh.... evaporative cooling. Nice!

Baking or even using the stove right now adds additional heat to the house, so we've been doing a lot of salads and items that cook quickly. I also got a solar cooker, and while I haven't used it as much as I'd like, it's a great way to cook outside. BBQs and camp stoves in the backyard are another excellent way to go.

We also added curtains to a couple of windows that didn't have them. So that's definitely cut the heat down in those rooms.

Here are just a few other tips to help

you keep cool this summer:

Use light bedding. Again, it seems obvious, but many folks don't change out their bedding from winter to summer.

Wet your curtains. This works best on a breezy day with the windows open.

Hang out downstairs. If you have one, the downstairs is typically the coolest place in the house.

Eat spicy foods. Strange, but eating spicy foods can make you sweat, the sweat evaporates, and you're cooler!

Plant trees or add awnings. Both help by adding shade. If you can't wait for the trees to grow, build awnings over your doors and windows.

Improve your home's insulation. This will help keep your house cool in the summer and also warmer during the winter and save you money in the long run.

So, there it is! Stay cool, and happy reading!

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EDITORIAL

WATER CRISIS REALITY CHECK

By James McFadden

As I put this together, it is raining outside and there is a flash-flood warning in place for Kane County and Washington County as Zion National Park is hit with almost an inch of rain in under an hour. That is great news and yet, not great news since the ground is so hard and dry it is just going to come barreling down our washes, but we do need the rain and the water so...

The worst drought in decades continues to impact Utah and the Utah Divisions of Water Resources and Water Rights are closely monitoring and responding to conditions.

I can remember some years back, we had three or four really nice thunderstorms

roll through Washington County by this time of the year.

The following measurements and information provide context to Utah's current drought conditions, water storage, stream flows and the allocation of water rights.

Utah's drought conditions are serious. The intensity and the fact that we have not had any recent relief have created this extreme situation. The state's dry conditions during April and May and record high temperatures in June continue to elevate our desperate drought conditions.

- Air temperatures for the first half of



June were 9.4 degrees Fahrenheit above average.

- On average, the entire state was drier than normal, during the last few weeks by approximately 0.16 inches (7-day departure from average).

- Soils are 12% drier than average, with soil moisture for the last week of June at 42.2% saturation, compared to an average of 54.7% saturation.

About 95% of Utah's water comes from snowpack. This state-wide average ranges from around 75% in the southwest corner to over 95% in the northern part near the Weber Basin headwaters. Different-sized reservoirs are located throughout the state to catch and store runoff. Small reservoirs store about one year's worth of water, while larger reservoirs, like Strawberry or Jordanelle, store several years' worth. Reservoir storage helps to prevent water shortages and is dependent on snowpack and runoff.

- Major reservoirs statewide are currently 63% of available capacity.

- 21 of 42 of our largest reservoirs are below 55% of available capacity.

- On average, current reservoir levels are below September 2020 levels, toward the end of the irrigation season. This is significant considering the majority of Utah's watering season is ahead of us.

- Several Bureau of Reclamation reservoirs are below any previous storage and elevation level in the last 30 years, including Lake Powell, Rockport and Steinaker.

- The Great Salt Lake's current elevation is 4,191.9 feet, about five inches from its historic recorded low level (4191.4 feet) documented in 1963.

So as state and local authorities issue warnings and ask for businesses and residents to cut back water use, I am here to tell you it is serious, and it is necessary. My family has already cut our water use by over 20% and if we have to let the lawn die, so be it. One tip that has saved my lawn so far? I mow it at almost 5" high, it's greener and grows faster than normal even with a significant reduction in watering from the opening of the season. I'm here to tell you it works. Cut your lawn to the highest level you possibly can and you just might be surprised.

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SUMMER & FALL EVENTS RETURN TO THE OC TANNER AMPHITHEATER

With summer in full swing, the OC Tanner Amphitheater once again has events for the community and visiting tourists. Located just before the entrance to Zion National Park, the OC Tanner Amphitheater is a beautiful outdoor concert venue with a breathtaking red rock backdrop. This year the Amphitheater will be hosting a variety of events for the whole family. Beginning on July 2nd, Siva Pasefika hosts a luau and dinner most Friday nights through mid-September. Experience a journey to the islands through traditional dance and storytelling with the Spirit of Polynesia.

For the first time to the Tanner Amphitheater, internationally acclaimed, 4-time Grammy Award Winning for KING & COUNTRY will perform on July 28th. The Christian-pop duo is eager to return to the stage following their 2019 tour featuring their most recent album "Burn the Ships."

The Zion Canyon Music Festival returns on September 24th & 25th with headliners



Dust Bowl Revival, The Slackers, and more! This two-day event is packed with music, food, a beer garden, art, and fun for the whole family. Spend your day browsing a variety of original art, fine crafts, and local restaurant booths, and complete your night with live music and dancing under the stars.

The Superbloom Music Festival on October 9th featuring The National Parks and various other performances will be closing out the season. Music starts at 2 PM and continues all day until 10 PM.

The greatly anticipated return of the Utah Symphony on August 14th completes a stop on their "Forever Mighty® Tour" as part of Utah's 125th-anniversary celebration. Part of the Utah Office of Tourism statewide initiative to appreciate and preserve our natural surroundings, this event is just one stop on a tour that celebrates the beauty of our state highlighted through the expression of music that will enrich the soul. Tickets are FREE but limited and can be reserved online through the Utah Symphony website. Use promo code "SpringdaleLocal" to secure your seats.

Other free events at the Tanner this year include two evenings of the Municipal Ballet Company on October 2-3. A group that celebrates collaboration and dance anywhere and everywhere, this collection of classically trained dancers and choreographers will share their incredible talent on our stage with a live band for an interactive and moving presentation.

For a complete list of events and concerts held at the Tanner this summer, visit our website www.octannershows.com. Information for each show is available online, along with links for ticketing to each event. We are excited to share our beautiful outdoor venue with the community and visitors to Zion, and we hope to see you this summer in the canyon.

MONTEZUMA AND THE PETTICOATS DEBUTS IN KANAB

A musical comedy that both celebrates and pokes fun at Southern Utah rural life.

So what is it like producing a brand-new musical comedy?

As writer and producer, Jeff Stott learned more and more about Kanab's history, and two events caught his attention; the election of the nation's first all-women town council in 1911 and prospector Freddie Crystal's recruitment of the whole town to help him search for Montezuma's hidden treasure supposedly buried near Kanab.

"I mean, you can't make this stuff up. To think that Kanab, a small, rural, conservative, religious western town in the middle of nowhere, would be the first to have an all-women town council—it's fascinating. And then to hear about a time where a complete stranger convinces the town to help him search for gold hidden by an ancient Aztec king? Wow, just wow." Stott couldn't help but think that these events, together, would create an intriguing and beautiful story that would entertain both visitors and residents of Southern Utah. "So I got to work writing the story and accompanying music. It took two years, with the help of dozens of people who reviewed and edited each draft. We made it western. And we made it funny."

Because Montezuma and the Petticoats is original and debuting for the first time, there are several challenges. First, marketing can be difficult since the title will not have name recognition, and there are no fans from previous performances. "But I think the benefits easily outweigh the challenges—we aren't required to stick to the script legally, meaning we have all the freedom of the world to adapt and improve it according to each actor's input and strengths. Also, I think attendees will find it exciting and refreshing to attend a live performance of something

that's never been done before; it's thrilling, really."

Director Tammie Van Dyke has embraced the challenge. "We're talking about songs that have never been sung in front of a crowd. Jokes that have never been audience-tested. A story that hasn't been told." But like Stott, Van Dyke sees the newness of this production as a risk with a huge payoff. "Of course, it's intimidating doing something that's never been done before. But we have actors with years of experience who are embracing their characters and having so much fun in the process. Combining that with a fully committed and talented technical and stage team gives me all the confidence in the world that this production will be one for the books."

At its heart, Montezuma and the Petticoats is about treasure-seeking, falling in love, and accepting oneself—weaknesses and all. Of course, none of this would be possible without the support of our sponsors, including our presenting sponsor, Kanab Realty. Performances are on August 5, 6, 7, and 9 at the KHS Auditorium. Tickets are available at www.kanabmusical.com or at the door.



The nation's first all-women town council inspired this new musical play, to debut August 5, 6, 7 and 9. Tickets at kanabmusical.com.

CENTER FOR THE ARTS AT KAYENTA HOSTS BEST OF SIMONFEST THIS AUGUST

The indoor, air-conditioned, Lorraine Boccardo Theater and its staff in the Kayenta Art Village, will be hosting two productions from Cedar City's regular SimonFest season and a new comedy! August will feature the famous murder mystery Deathtrap by Ira Levin, the beautiful Jane-Austen style musical Daddy Long Legs by Jean Webster and a new hilarious comedy, Holy Stromboli! by John D. Smitherman, one of the three original American Tenors.

SimonFest works to preserve the works of legendary playwright Neil Simon and his contemporaries. It seeks to foster the development of new American plays that follow the Simon tradition of character-driven plots and comic introspection of the American experience.

Deathtrap

By Ira Levin, is a suspenseful comedy and one of the great popular successes in Broadway history. It is a diabolically clever, wildly popular comedy-thriller! It received four Tony Awards, including Best Play. It was first shown on Broadway in 1979 and ran for four years. In 1982 the play was adapted into a film under the same name.

Sidney Bruhl, the main character, is a successful writer of Broadway thrillers and is struggling to overcome a dry spell which has resulted in a string of failures and a shortage of funds. One day he receives a script from a student author, a thriller that he recognizes immediately as a potential Broadway smash. Sidney's plan, devised with his wife's help, is to offer collaboration to the student for credit. Or is it?

Deathtrap will be presented August 4-7 at 7:30 PM and August 8 at 6:00 PM.

Daddy Long Legs - the Musical

This musical is based on the classic

novel written in 1912 by Jean Webster, which inspired the 1955 movie starring Fred Astaire and Leslie Caron. It is a beloved tale in the spirit of Jane Austen, the Bronte Sisters, and "Downton Abbey".

The plot centers around Judy Abbott, who at seventeen, receives an astonishingly large scholarship from an unknown man. She catches a glimpse of her secret benefactor from the back and knows he is a long-legged man. Because of this she calls him Daddy-Long-Legs.

Daddy Long Legs - the Musical will be presented August 11-14 at 7:30 PM with a Saturday Matinee Aug 14 at 2:00 PM.

Holy Stromboli

Written by John D. Smitherman, this show is set in a New York City apartment and centers around a newlywed couple, John and Maria, happily celebrating their first wedding anniversary.

Maria's parents show up unexpectedly to meet their fictitious new baby, bringing drama, witty banter, and door slamming hilarity. Then John's father shows up unexpectedly with a surprise guest! This production stars many local favorites: Abe Hegewald, Brad & Barbie Christensen, Kailey Simmons, Ginger Nelson, Andy Young, and John D. Smitherman himself.

Holy Stromboli will be presented August 18-21 at 7:30 PM with a Saturday Matinee on Aug. 21 at 2:00 PM.

Visit www.KayentaArts.com for special show pricing and packages starting at \$35 per show, \$55 for two shows, or \$65 for all three!

LAUGHTER RETURNS TO CEDAR CITY WITH SIMONFEST!

The SimonFest Theatre Company is back in swing at the Heritage Center Theater in Cedar City with four masterful plays to hit the boards this July. "Oh, boy, do we ever need this," claims founder and Artistic Director Richard Bugg. "It is time to have shared experiences again—to experience these great theatrical journeys as a group—in the same room!"

Bugg seeks to ensure his audience that the SimonFest brand of storytelling will be unadulterated. "While the religion of political correctness has taken over much of our society, we won't politicize our art," explains Bugg. "We tell stories with which we invite our audience to go on delightful and cathartic journeys. The catharsis that we share, whether in a drama or comedy, expands our empathy. That increased empathy is the key to finding peace in our communities, country, and world. So, while occasionally one of our stories might deal with a political subject, we will always focus on the story and the personal discoveries that the characters make—never on punishing our viewers for having a different viewpoint or a different life experience."

This Summer's mix of romance, mystery, and mirth includes: Ken Ludwig's comedy-mystery Baskerville: a Sherlock Holmes Mystery, directed by Utah Shakespeare veteran Brandon Burk and starring SimonFest favorite, Richard Hill; Ira Levin's diabolically clever Deathtrap, directed by a celebrity guest, Clarence Gilyard; Gordon & Caird's charming and romantic musical-comedy, Daddy Long Legs, directed by SimonFest regular Douglas Hill and starring Sceri Ivers; and James Still's graceful and moving, Looking Over the President's Shoulder—Bugg will be directing film and television star, Clarence Gilyard, in this one-man show about the life of Alonzo Fields – butler to presidents Hoover, Roosevelt, Truman, and Eisenhower.

While the company was forced to shut

down last Summer, due to Covid restrictions, it hasn't been idle during the pandemic, having mounted Driving Miss Daisy last October and It's a Wonderful Life for the Christmas season. In fact, because of

such an enthusiastic response, SimonFest plans to repeat these offerings in this coming October and December.

The company of actors and artisans has gathered to build and rehearse in preparation for a July 7th opening. While still adhering to state safety recommendations, SimonFest will move forward with a live Summer season to play a mix of matinees and evenings through July 31st at the Heritage Center Theater in Cedar City. Two of the shows, Deathtrap and Daddy Long Legs, will then travel to the Kayenta Arts Center in Ivins to perform during the first two weeks in August.

Show dates and ticket information can be found at www.simonfest.org or by calling 435-267-0194.



CENTER FOR THE ARTS AT KAYENTA



EVENTS

UTAH SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL 2021 IS IN FULL SWING!

Return to the Stages Marks Sixty Years and Will Be Dedicated to Founder Fred C. Adams

CEDAR CITY, Utah — “The 2021 season at the Utah Shakespeare Festival will be like no other in our history,” said Executive Producer Frank Mack about the theatre season that began June 24. “It is our sixtieth year, it is dedicated to our founder, Fred C. Adams, and it marks our return to producing after missing 2020. It will be a



Utah Shakespeare Festival - Macbeth

magnificent experience.”

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The season will feature eight plays in three theatres, plus some of the extra “Festival Experience” traditions and activities guests have come to love over the last six decades, *The Greenshow*, play seminars, orientations, and numerous classes. And it will be even more exciting because it marks the return of professional theatre to Cedar City after the Festival

canceled its 2020 season because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In addition to dedicating the season to him, the Festival is planning a celebration in August for the life of Fred C. Adams, who founded the Festival in 1961 and passed away in February 2020.

The 2021 season started October 9. The plays will be William Shakespeare’s *Richard III*, *The Comedy of Errors*, *Pericles*, and *Cymbeline*, as well as two great musicals: *Ragtime* by Terrence McNally, Stephen Flaherty, and Lynn Ahrens, *The Pirates of Penzance* by W. S. Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan, *Intimate Apparel* by Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Lynn Nottage, and *The Comedy of Terrors* by John Goodrum.

“This season is a mixture of plays rolled over from the canceled 2020 season, with

the addition of three exciting and reflective plays that capture the heartbeat of the Utah Shakespeare Festival’s enduring mission,” said Artistic Director Brian Vaughn. “All of these titles explore varying themes of identity and mortality; the debate of fate versus free will; and the examination of the human spirit’s ability to overcome injustice and oppression. Combined, they make up a rich tapestry of drama that magnifies the intricacies of our collective humanity.”

Tickets for the 2021 shows are \$23 to \$85. For more information or to purchase tickets, go to the Festival website at bard.org, call 800-PLAYTIX, or visit the Ticket Office onsite at the Beverley Center for the Arts. Don’t forget to use promo-code “Independent21”

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This year Independence Day falls on a Sunday, therefore, will be celebrated July 3rd, Saturday.

Even visitors feel at home and full of patriotism when they celebrate the 4th of July in Southern Utah! Listen bright and early at 6:00 AM for the cannons as they Blast Off!, awakening the whole town for the day’s festivities. Soon after, join in on a Color Fun Run 5K starting at the church in the center of town at 7:00AM.

Then, at 10:00 AM join the town on Center Street for a parade you will have the chance to see twice, as the parade turns around at the end of the street, only to end just where it began!

After the parade, find yourself at Jacob Hamblin Park for vendors, entertainment, and many more festivities throughout the day and into the evening. Once the sun sets and the entertainment wraps up, prepare yourself for one of the most unique fireworks shows you have ever seen! Fireworks shoot off overhead at Jacob Hamblin Park, illuminating the red cliffs while sending echoes all throughout the town.

Celebrate Independence Day in small town USA and we are sure you’ll return again, and again! Will you join us in celebrating Independence Day and “Honoring

Those Who Protect Our Freedoms?”

Kanab Music Festival Returns

On July 24th, the Kane County Office of Tourism and Kane County Water Conservancy are partnering to bring the Kanab Music Festival and Pioneer Day Fireworks to the Jackson Flat Reservoir. Bring your own chair and prepare to have an amazing time.

Spaces for vendors are limited. Looking for some great food and drink options and possibly some unique arts/crafts.

The event originator, Ted Hinckley, came to Kanab with several student bands in February for the Balloons & Tunes Roundup and realized that Kanab would be a great location for a music festival, with protocol and infrastructure already in place to allow for a great outdoor concert under the new guidelines. Hinckley is integrated into the music scene and sees a pent-up need for artists to perform after all the restrictions and a great desire for live music for concert goers.

Bring the family out and listen to some great music while you cool off in the Jackson Flat Reservoir, get something delicious to eat from one of the vendors and hang around for the fireworks that night! There will be two separate stages with a lineup of talented artists performing throughout the day and into the night.

Seating is limited so bring your own chair or blanket and hangout on the newly installed lawn or under the pavilion. Fireworks will begin around 10 PM. See you there!!



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Cedar City, Utah – The National Park Service will host the annual Cedar Breaks Wildflower Festival beginning Friday, July 2 and continuing daily through Sunday, July 11. The festival highlights the amazing wild-

flowers that are blooming in the park's alpine environment along the rim of the Cedar Breaks Amphitheater. The highlight of the festival will be daily Wildflower Walks which will be available four times each day.

Wildflower Walks will begin at the park's Picnic Area at 9:30 a.m., 11:00 AM., 1:00 PM., & 2:30 PM. The walks will be led by park rangers, interns, and volunteers and will last approximately 45 minutes. The programs will follow the Sunset Trail which meets outdoor accessibility guidelines, but visitors should be prepared to walk up to a mile.

In addition to the daily Wildflower Walks, the National Park Service has partnered with the Southern Utah Museum of Art (SUMA) to bring local plein air artists into the park on Sunday, July 11. These artists will be creating wildflower focused paintings at many of the park's overlooks. Visitors are encouraged to engage with the artists about painting in the park.

Throughout the festival the park will continue to offer Geology programs at the

North View Overlook. Additional programs may be added in the coming weeks. A complete listing of programs is available on the park's website at www.nps.gov/cebr/plan-yourvisit/calendar.htm.

Construction of the Cedar Breaks Visitor Contact Station is underway and has changed visitor operations this season. To help visitors plan for visiting the park this summer, a new 2021 Visitor Guide webpage is available online at www.nps.gov/cebr/plan-yourvisit/2021.htm. The webpage includes information about ranger programs, information booths, entrance pass sales, campground operations, and most importantly restrooms. The page is updated regularly.



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OPINION

WAS 1776 OR 1619 OUR NATION'S FOUNDING YEAR?

By Howard Sierer



Hold off on 4th of July fireworks. The New York Times claims that 1619, the year the first African slaves arrived in Virginia, was our country's founding year.

The paper made the claim in its "1619 Project."

The project claims to explain how slavery was the fundamental social and economic underpinning of colonial life, was the real reason that the colonists fought the Revolutionary War, and how it allowed colonists both North and South to prosper thanks initially to cotton exports and later

gave rise to New England's textile industry.

But the publication isn't an honest effort to introduce new truths and insights into an important part of our nation's history. Instead, it's a race hustler's political exercise to use race to secure political power.

Times reporter Nikole Hannah-Jones, the 1619 Project's organizer, announced her political intentions openly, pairing progressive activism with the initiative's stated educational purposes.

Riddled with falsehoods, the project was criticized by serious historians and economists of all political persuasions. Here's a sampling of criticisms from a cross-section of scholars:

Black community activist Robert Woodson published a book titled "Red, White and Black: Rescuing American History from Revisionists and Race Hustlers." Woodson calls it "An indispensable corrective to the falsified version of black history presented by the 1619 Project, radical activists, and money-hungry 'diversity consultants.'"

His book features essays by a wide variety of black scholars and authors "who uphold the true origins of our nation and the principles through which its founding promise can be fulfilled."

Columbia Professor John McWhorter writes that the problem is not merely the project's numerous and well-documented inaccuracies but also its simple-minded approach to a complicated subject. "The issue is not differing interpretations of history, but an outright misinterpretation of it."

Northwestern University history Professor Leslie Harris, whose specialty is African American life and slavery, was invited to fact check the 1619 Project. The Times

ignored her factual corrections. She explains that the Revolutionary War was not fought to preserve slavery but in fact was a major disruption to the practice.

The Rev. Corey Brooks faults the 1619 Project's "over-emphasis on slavery as the defining institution before and during our nation's founding." He adds: "The writers who participated in the 1619 project jettisoned facts in favor of a fictitious recounting of why our Founders formed a new nation."

Peter Wood, who heads the National



Association of Scholars, published "1620: A Critical Response to the 1619 Project." He explains that slavery "was nothing new to the New World. It was an institution familiar to many native societies in both North and South America. These populations had been enslaving one another, as far as we can tell, from time immemorial."

Phillip Magness, an economic historian, released "The 1619 Project: A Critique" that examines the project's assertion that slave labor powered the U.S. economy, an argument that rests on "dubious statistical claims and

shoddy research practices."

Magness goes on: "The thrust of these exaggerations is to recast slavery as a distinctly capitalist enterprise, which, in turn, services the 1619 Project's political message. The worthy historical task of documenting the horrors of American slavery has been cynically repurposed into an ideological attack on free-market capitalism."

Economics professors Alan Olmstead and Paul Rhode demonstrate that, contrary to the 1619 Project's claim, cotton produced by slave labor did not give rise to industrial capitalism or world development. Economist Deirdre McCloskey has convincingly explained that it isn't slavery that explains modern American economic growth rates, but innovation.

In his book's introduction, Woodson writes that his goal is not to offer point-by-point rebuttals. Instead, he wants to "debunk the myth that present-day problems are related to our past . . . specifically, debunking the myth that slavery is the source of present-day disparities and injustice."

The 1619 Project is yet another example of progressives telling blacks that they can't improve their lives until systemic white racism is rooted out of our society. Is there anything more crippling to a person than to tell them they can't do it on their own?

I'll stick with the 4th of July. While you are enjoying your family picnic and local parades, remember that our Declaration of Independence holds "these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

SPEEDING AND DEATHS IN UTAH

By Lisa Rutherford



Several years ago, the Utah Legislature passed a bill increasing the speed on some of Utah's highways from 75 mph to 80 mph, and more highways have been added since then. It was argued then that the increase

was merely to match the speed at which most drivers in Utah were going, which was slightly over 80mph. Unfortunately, the bill received strong support in both the House and the Senate, with the exception of several Democrats, including former Representative Patrice Arent and current Representative Joel Briscoe, former senators Pat Jones and Brian Shiozawa.

Now it's been reported that Utah Highway Patrol has been stopping people going 100 mph and more. Excessive speeding and fatal crashes are way up in Utah this year, according to UHP. 2020 saw a 29% increase in citations for those going over 100 mph.

During my lifetime, people continually "inched" over the posted speed. Since people were driving slightly over 80 mph when the posted speed was 75 mph, our legislators should have had the wisdom to know that people would drive faster than 80 mph when that was posted. The test studies done in the first areas where the speed was increased showed that people were only going slightly over 80 mph. So, apparently, our wiser-than-wise legislators assumed that trend would continue even when faced with the evidence that people have driven over the speed limit and some considerably over the speed limit ever since cars entered our lives. It was mentioned at a bill committee hearing that the bill's purpose was not to change behavior but to match behavior. So much for that.

However, they did not consider the tendency of humans to become accustomed to the new speed limit and adjust their behaviors accordingly. Given that troopers and others have been inclined to include a "fudge factor" when it comes to stopping speeders, many drivers now feel that they can drive 5 to 10 to even 20 mph over the posted speed and get off.

In fact, the Utah Highway Patrol commented at one committee hearing on the HB80 bill that they do lower the fudge factor as the speed increases but then added that most of the time, they just give warnings. What effect did that have? Apparently, none, but UHP has lost their sense of humor about it now. And with good reason.

The National Center for Biotechnology Information, part of the National Institute of Health, published a study on "Long-Term Effects of Repealing the National Maximum Speed Limit in the United States." They found "a 3.2% increase in road fatalities attributable to the raised speed limits on all road types in the United States. The highest increases were on rural interstates (9.1%) and urban interstates (4.0%)." They estimated that increases in speed limits across the nation contributed to 12,545 deaths and 36,583 injuries. Their conclusion was that "Reduced speed limits and improved enforcement with speed camera networks could immediately reduce speeds and save lives, in addition to reducing gas consumption, cutting emissions of air pollutants, saving valuable years of productivity, and reducing the cost of motor vehicle crashes." Additionally, the higher-speed driving on highways results in higher speeds on connecting interurban roads and even urban roads due to a spillover effect that may persist for some time.

For several years UDOT has had their "Zero Fatalities" program in an effort to help save lives on our roads. But, as the "Zero Fatalities" website reveals, traffic fatalities are rising on Utah's roads: "According to preliminary estimates from the UDOT, traffic fatalities in 2020 increased by 11% to a total of 276, while the number of cars on the road decreased by 13% in 2020." UDOT blames distracted driving, aggressive driving (includes driving too fast), drowsy driving, impaired driving (included even prescription drugs), and not wearing seatbelts. Yes, all of these are problems, but they are exacerbated by driving too fast, and our increased speed limits compound the problem. Driving at 85 might

have been seen as aggressive driving when the posted limit was 75mph. Now, driving at 85 is seen as normal.

Even worse, UDOT was one of the supporters of increasing the speed limit to 80mph when their own "Zero Fatalities" program appears to contradict that position. Through June 21, 2021, 136 deaths had resulted from 114 crashes in Utah compared to 110 deaths and 101 crashes during the same time in 2020. Those who are abusing this situation need to be controlled, and UDOT needs to walk their "Zero Fatalities" talk and lobby for lower speeds.



While driving to Salt Lake City recently and sticking to the 80mph limit or slightly above, people were passing us like we were standing still. I would guess they were going at least 90 and maybe more. When people are on a freeway in the slow lane and need to pass someone who is going slower, they must have some assurance that someone approaching in the fast lane is not going 20 miles or more over the speed limit. In fact, we saw no troopers and certainly no one being stopped for their speeding.

The legislature missed the mark on this matter and has put all Utahns and others on our roads at great risk. Those who drive at excessive speeds may be reaching their destination more quickly, but at what danger to themselves and others. Selfishness is not what we need on our highways. Enforcement is.

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OPINION

A CRISIS OF HUMANITY AT THE BORDER
By Ed Kociela



I remember when you could pretty much move easily across the North American borders without visas or passports or any other encumbrances.

As a sports reporter covering the Los Angeles

Kings hockey team, I regularly breezed in and out of Canada with no problem. Before that, I remember going in and out of Mexico without having to produce any documents whatsoever.

Things change; I've got that. Circumstances – political and otherwise – come to bear in crushing waves of change that aren't always good, reasonable, or humane.

We look differently at each other these days. The color of our skin, the accent of our words, the belief system we adhere to indelibly marks us and separates humanity into an "us or them" clique often stained by fear and suspicion.

That's why our people of power are making it such a point to visit our borders, particularly the one separating the United States and Mexico, and insisting on building walls.

Here in the promised land, Lady Liberty stands tall in the harbor, beckoning.

"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore," she tells the world.

My European ancestors heeded those words because they believed them and wanted only a fair shot of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. And, at great personal sacrifice, they got it. No riches, no free pass, no special favors, just planting roots in a land they believed was filled with opportunity. The Great American Dream, you might say.

Now, we have families torn apart, living in tents and makeshift villages in a cold and unfriendly land, so cold and unfriendly that I wonder why they dare to come here in the first place.

And, instead of recognizing their needs as being just as important to them as ours are to us, we place barriers in front of their wishes to find a better life. By all I believe

in, I cannot, for the life of me, figure why they do it, why they risk imprisonment, why they risk death, to come to the United States anymore. It is just too hostile, lonely, and threatening in so many ways.

But they do, and that's where the perceived problem lies. So much so, in some eyes, as to warrant visits from presidents, vice presidents, members of Congress, and others to stand at the border and deliver self-serving speeches about security and fidelity; when they all damn sure realize that without those hardy people willing to come across and toil laboriously in our fields and factories for little compensation, we would fold up.

The talk, since quarantine, has been centered on the economy and how important it is to sustain it. Well, guess what? Without workers migrating north to pick the fruits and vegetables from our fields, build our houses, or carry on at the most challenging levels of labor, our economy would be so severely out of whack that your strawberries and lettuce and other veggies would cost ten times what they do now.

Our night's stay at the local inn would be a minimum of double the prices now charged without those workers. Without those workers, your night out would probably cost at least three times more.

Yes, we have immigrants engaged in the white-collar professions, but they are the lucky ones, the financially blessed, for the most part, who were able to find a reasonable path to citizenship. For most, however, it is a lengthy, complicated, and expensive journey that may or may not, depending on luck, ever be completed.



No person should give up their identity, their culture, their being, but no person should be excluded because of it.

There should have been no other reason for Vice President Kamala Harris to visit the border near El Paso last week other than to pick up a nice pair of Tony Lama's from the factory, then hop across the border for some Chile Colorado or Pozole.

Instead, she was assigned to the cleanup detail of cleaning up from the last administration and its disastrous impact on the border, which still has left many children torn from their families with little hope of reconciliation.

This whole border thing is beyond redemption.

Walls do not keep people in or prevent

them from entering. They are simply a hurdle that many have found ways to surmount. Of course, the anger and suspicion generated by these idiotic walls remain unchecked.

Immigration reform?

Dog whistle stuff bleated to heighten hate and prejudice. You want to shake somebody down just because of the color of their skin? You, my friend, are a racist. You object to undocumented immigrants because of the money they supposedly suck from the system? You, my friend, are uninformed. While they may be treated in a hospital's emergency room, they are not eligible for Social Security, food stamps, or cash assistance even though more than half of the undocumented immigrants work using fake Social Security numbers. That means they are paying money into a system they can never access. That puts at least \$12 billion annually into the fund. They are taxed in other ways as well through sales taxes and funding property taxes through rental payments.

And again, consider what kind of price we would pay if they were removed from our

agricultural and service industries.

More importantly, we separate ourselves by choice.

We, of course, have our ethnic roots, but beyond that, we are residents of a certain city in a certain county in a certain state in a certain nation. We have seen for some time how that goes just in the city-to-city comparisons. We tend to be very territorial, very parochial, very singular in that regard. In fact, we were all but removed from the global community, at our own choosing, by the previous administration and its separatist nationalistic elitism.

Me?

I prefer to think of us all as children of the universe.

Isn't it time to build more bridges and fewer walls?

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OUTDOORS

HIDDEN HAVEN FALLS TRAIL

By Tom Garrison

Trail: Hidden Haven Falls Trail
Location: Parowan Canyon Wildlife Management Area about five miles east of Parowan. The hike is free, and no permit necessary.
Difficulty: Easy with some Benson Creek rock scrambling and creek crossing the last part of the hike.
Average hiking time: One to two hours depending upon your speed, photo stops, and a side trip to the amphitheater.
Elevation: 7,105 feet trailhead elevation with

a 250 feet elevation change.
Family-Friendly: Yes, we saw several young kids and a dog on the trail.
Getting there: From St. George, travel north on Interstate 15. About 15 miles past Cedar City, turn off at Exit 75, placing you on Highway 143 (aka 200 South Street) going east. Follow the signs for Brian Head and Cedar Breaks National Monument, and after about 2.5 miles, turn right onto South Canyon Road, also known as Highway 143. Reset your odometer at this intersection and follow Highway 143 south for 5.5 miles, where you will see a large white sign on the left (east) side of the road saying, "Parowan Canyon Wildlife Management Area." The sign is in a large parking area. This is the Hidden Haven Falls Trailhead. There also was a smaller white and blue sign reading "Hidden Haven" attached to a fence rail. This small sign may or may not always be there.
 No matter how wonderful home is, and southwest Utah is indeed wonderful, just about everyone needs to get out of town occasionally, even for a few hours. As we all know, the St. George area is hot in the



summer. Not kinda hot, but a temperature close to that of the surface of the sun. What to do?
 Our plan was an easy hike above 6,500 feet elevation (it's cooler) in a wooded area. The perfect hike includes a waterfall.
 Guess what? Hidden Haven Falls Trail near Parowan meets all those requirements. It is approximately two miles round trip doable in the summer, and you probably won't melt.
 My wife Deb and I departed on a Thursday morning in mid-June during an extreme heatwave (it usually doesn't get to 110 degrees until the middle of July).
 We arrived at the trailhead about 9:15 am. The parking lot and trailhead elevation is 7,105 feet, and the temperature was in the mid-80s.

A wooden fence bounds the parking area/trailhead with an opening to the trail. The first section of the well-established trail, about 1/3 mile, runs north parallel to Highway 143 between the highway and Parowan Creek on the right. It is a wooded area, and the trail winds in and out of the shade.
 While Deb and I totally enjoy desert hiking, this woodland trail is a nice change. We came to the first small footbridge crossing Parowan Creek about 1/3 mile in when the trail bends away from the highway and heads east, now paralleling Benson Creek.
 At approximately 1/2 mile along, we came to a fork in the trail marked by a solitary wooden bench. The right fork (heading south) heads uphill to an amphitheater. The left

continues toward the falls, going east roughly paralleling Benson Creek to the left of the trail.
 Next, we came to a second footbridge at .7 mile along the trail. Soon we entered a picnic area with tables and could see the top of Benson Canyon, where the falls are located.
 We scrambled down the bank of Benson Creek just beyond the campground where a huge tree had fallen across the creek and continued upstream. From here to the waterfall requires some easy creek crossing and rock scrambling.
 After about .1 mile, we heard and saw the waterfall—a very nice cascade about 40 feet high in a shady cove. It was the beginning of summer in a dry year, and the waterfall was flowing, but not a thundering torrent one could imagine in the spring of a wet year. The one-way distance from the trailhead to the falls is about one mile with a 250 feet elevation change, an easy hike.
 On the return trip, we quickly explored the amphitheater, less than a 1/4 mile round trip. It was somewhat odd to find an open area with a rough stage and staggered seating. Nevertheless, it would be an excellent venue for a play. Then it was back to the intersection and return to the trailhead.

Deb and I are used to desert hiking, where we can typically see scores of miles in every direction. This was different, albeit a nice change, in that most of what we could see was a bazillion trees everywhere. We didn't see any squirrels or lizards but did spot a few birds and butterflies.
 We were a bit surprised to meet at least 20 other hikers, including several young kids, on a fairly obscure trail mid-week during a heatwave.
 All-in-all a pleasant hike. This family-friendly adventure is worth the effort. We spent about 1 1/2 hours on the trail. The roundtrip distance is about two miles; add another 1/4 mile to see the amphitheater. So if you enjoy a leisurely hike in a cooler environment with a waterfall payoff, give Hidden Haven Falls Trail a try.

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THE INDEPENDENT MOVIE REVIEW

By Adam Mast

MORTAL KOMBAT (R)

★★½

Looking back, one might find it incredibly difficult to choose a video game-turn-movie that's truly worth recommending. Sure, "Tomb Raider" was a modest hit, "Super Mario Brothers" holds nostalgic value for many a gamer, and "Silent Hill" has a fitting dark tone, but do any of these movies beg to be rewatched regularly? That's debatable.



Now, before getting to the actual review, let it be known that I'm not much of a gamer, so I don't have any sort of deep-rooted attachment to the source material. I can also tell you that I remember disliking the 1995 version of "Mortal Kombat" immensely, but I

can't remember a damn thing about it these days, if I'm frank. And I suspect 25 years from now; I won't remember this version much either.

Based on the beloved game of the same name, "Mortal Kombat" tells the tale of Cole Young, a man who discovers that he may be destined for much more than MMA fighting after learning of his true heritage. This discovery ultimately brings Cole face to face with otherworldly warriors and also finds him bonding with colorful allies, all to protect the universe as we know it.

As directed by Simon McQuoid, this take on "Mortal Kombat" is briskly paced at best and pretty forgettable at worst. The characters are fittingly cartoony with fierce Sub Zero and foul-mouthed (and arrogant) mercenary Kano coming across as the most entertaining. The visual effects are of the CG variety, and the action sequences, while far from bad, aren't particularly dynamic or memorable. Quite frankly, I'd much rather watch something like "Big Trouble in Little China" to get my cartoony, campy, adventurous, martial arts movie fix.

As for the R rating, the team behind "Mortal Kombat" opt to lay on the gore but it all feels tacked on. Translation; It simply feels like a ploy to land an R rating to appeal to gorehounds. And again, it doesn't help that most of the bloodshed is of the CG variety, and very seldom is it particularly effective.

"Mortal Kombat" isn't a complete waste. There are colorful moments, a handful of fun beats, and a couple of charismatic characters here and there. That said, this movie never really feels like anything more than a preview for something bigger. And in the end, if you're looking for that ultimate video game-turn-movie, you're going to have to keep looking.

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THE INDEPENDENT ALBUM REVIEW

By Rob Jones

The Smashing Pumpkins - CYR



I am proudly of generation X and was around to see the seismic shift the bands of my generation created in the world, Nirvana is unquestionably the biggest band but The Smashing Pumpkins are far and away the best of the big alternative bands of my generation.

No other bands had as many game changing albums, and no other band had as successfully diverse of a catalog. Every album they put out is different from the one before it, For those of us who really get this band the excitement is in the new and the journey that sound takes us on. Their latest album, CYR (pronounced seer) is the most drastically different album they've released since my favorite album, Adore.

CYR owes a lot of it's inspiration to goth

and synth wave, which interestingly enough is the style of music this band started out playing before they recorded gish, so arguably this album is the most true to the band's roots.

This double album starts off with "The Colour Of Love" which is an infectious ear worm with strong similarities to The Cure, gorgeous sweeping synths dominate the atmospheric "Confessions Of A Dopamine Addict" and part of the fun of this album is discerning how much of this is actual guitars playing synth effects, the band has three guitarists now that James Iha is back in the band.

One of the highlights of CYR are the backing vocals provided by Katie Cole and Sierra Swan, they're presence adding an extra addictive quality to the radio friendly title track. Not everyone is going to see this but I get slight Fleetwood Mac vibes off of the album's second single "Ramona" which is an incredibly catchy track and a real highlight from this album.

If you're a parent "Birch Grove" will bring a tear to your eyes, a song Billy Corgan wrote about his children, it's one of the deepest songs he's recorded and that is saying something. "Wytch" is an almost opeth like metal track that is the biggest musical departure from the tone of this album, "Telegenix" just stands on its own as one of the album's

absolute best tracks. "The Hidden Sun" reminds me a lot of the band Shiny Toy Guns and would fit well with their last album. "Purple Blood" and "Schaudenfreud" have slight similarities to the band The Birthday Massacre.

As someone who has been a major fan of this band for 27 years, Cyr is a monumental musical achievement and among The Smashing

Pumpkins very best work, it's riches not immediately evident on first listen, But if you take the time to really listen and dig deep you'll find an absolute diamond of an album.



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If you order an alcoholic drink at the restaurant bar, don't be surprised when the bartender asks you to order some food with your drink. In Utah, restaurants may only serve alcoholic beverages with food. Customers don't have to order food each time they buy another drink. The beer sold in grocery stores and gas stations, and tap beer is a bit weaker in Utah, limited to 3.2% alcohol content by weight (4.0% by volume), about 0.5% less than a typical American domestic beer. You can buy full-strength beer, along with liquor and wine, in a state-operated liquor store. Please remember to tip your servers and drink responsibly! The Utah State Liquor Store in Springdale is located inside the Switchback.

SPRINGDALE'S FEATURED RESTAURANTS FROM ZION GUIDE

Restaurant <i>(Listed by address from ZNP Entrance)</i>	Address	Phone	Drinks/Vegan <i>(W)ine, (B)eer, (M)ixed Drinks (E)spresso, (V)egan items on menu</i>	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
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
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

See detailed restaurant listings for Springdale and the greater Zion National Park area at ZionGuide.com.

Welcome To Zion from Zion Guide!

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

Pack it in, pack it out & use recycling bins

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 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.

Tips To Maximize Enjoyment

Go on a less crowded hike

The most visited Zion hikes 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 feature, Less-Traveled Zion Hikes, in this issue.

To avoid the crowds, go early or late in the day

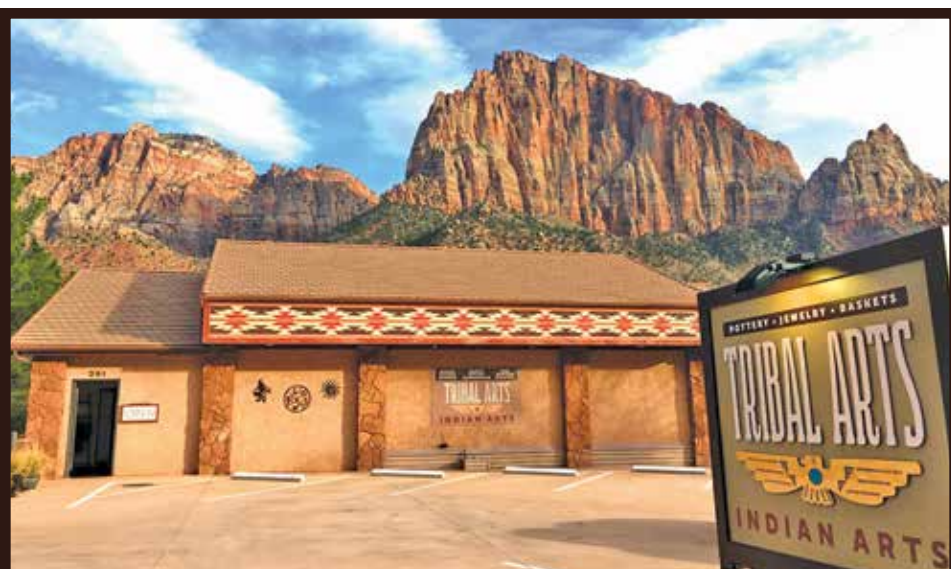
Consider getting up extra early or trekking out midday after the initial rush has flooded in.

Consider coming back again in the low season

Starting in the late fall, the number of visitors to Zion Canyon starts to dwindle, and by December it's significantly less than in the heat of the summer. It is simply a different experience to see Zion in the winter with the snow-capped monoliths. Most hikes are still accessible and are less crowded. You can also drive to the Temple of Sinawava parking lot. The shuttles stop running from November until March.

Check out Kolob Canyons and Kolob Terrace Road

With gorgeous open spaces and plenty of dirt roads to explore, Kolob Terrace Road is one of Zion's best kept secrets. You'll notice the air getting cooler as you gain elevation, and you'll find plenty of beautiful views worth stopping at for a quick photo op. The Kolob Terrace Road turnoff is in Virgin, so watch for signs. Portions of the Kolob Canyon District of Zion National Park are reached via Exit 40 on Interstate 15.



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Spend a day in Springdale

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Catch an event

Not only does Zion Brew Pub have live music every Saturday, the property also hosts a handful of events throughout the year, as do the Bit and Spur restaurant, Tanner Amphitheater, Bumbleberry Inn, Wildcat Willies, and several other locations.

Try a guided tour


Jeep, helicopter, ATV, canyoneering, horseback riding, or mountain biking, guided tours are all available. Many of these tours take you outside Zion National Park boundaries and give you a unique perspective on Zion's canyons and plateaus from surrounding areas of southern Utah. Check out ZionGuide.com for listings and ads.

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, like the Little Hollywood Movie Museum and the Best Friends Animal Sanctuary.

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.

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SHUTTLE SERVICE OPERATIONS UPDATES FOR 2021

Zion National Park shuttle ticket system is discontinued. In response to updated guidance on transit systems in National Parks and Covid-19, Zion National Park is discontinuing the temporary shuttle ticket system for Zion Canyon. Tickets for the shuttle will no longer be needed starting Friday, May 28, 2021. Previously purchased tickets will be given priority in shuttle line. Shuttles will be loaded to pre-Covid-19 capacities on a first come, first served basis. Masks continue to be required when on the shuttle and in queue lines.

Private vehicles are not allowed to enter the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive. Parking is limited inside Zion, and all parking lots fill early in the day. Paid parking is available in the town of Springdale.

The Zion Canyon Shuttle connects the Zion Canyon Visitor Center to stops at four locations on the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive. Tune your radio to 1610 AM for additional information.

Frequently Asked Questions about the Zion Canyon Shuttle

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What if I already have a shuttle ticket?

Previously purchased shuttle tickets will be honored and given priority boarding. When arriving at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, visitors with shuttle tickets will be directed where to board shuttles. Ticket holders should continue to arrive during the hour block their ticket was purchased and have their QR codes ready to present to NPS staff.

Are all the shuttle buses inside the park running the same route?

No. Two types of routes will be running, depending on where you are in the park and the time of day. Buses will be clearly marked for either route.

The Visitor Center route will pick up at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center morning and drop off at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center all day until the last bus in the evening. Shuttles will depart the visitor center from 6 AM – 5 PM.

The Circulator route will only circulate through the stops in Zion Canyon along the Scenic Drive and will not pick up passengers at the Temple of Sinawava. Look for signs at shuttle stops to indicate where to queue for each type of shuttle

Shuttle Stops

Initial boarding onto the shuttle takes place at the Visitor Center and at Zion Lodge for overnight guests. The Human History Museum, Canyon

Junction, Court of the Patriarchs, and Weeping Rock shuttle stops are currently closed. Shuttles will NOT stop at any of these locations in either direction.

Can I get on and off at all the shuttle stops going up and down canyon?

No. Some shuttle stops are currently closed or are not stopped at on all routes (see more information below). However, all visitors must exit the bus at the Temple of Sinawava (shuttle stop 9) for both routes.

The Visitor Center Route will stop at all stops going up and down the canyon, as well as at the Visitor Center.

The Circulator Route will only pick up and drop off from the shuttle stops on the right side of the shuttle. Stops you can get on and off going up-canyon, or toward the Temple of Sinawava, are Zion Lodge and the Grotto. Stops you can get on and off going down-canyon, or toward the Zion Canyon Visitor Center are Big Bend and the Zion Lodge. The Circulator Route will drop off but not pick up at the Temple of Sinawava.

What is the shuttle schedule?

The first shuttle leaves the Zion Canyon Visitor Center at 6 AM. Shuttles depart from each stop frequently, usually only 6-10 minutes apart. Shuttles depart from each stop frequently, usually only 6-10 minutes apart.

During shuttle operations the last shuttle will leave the Temple of Sinawava at 8:15 PM, arriving back at the Visitor Center at around 9 PM. Do not wait until the last shuttle to leave Zion Canyon for the day. Due to limited capacity, the shuttle is likely to be full by the time it reaches your stop and you will be out of luck.

What if I miss the last shuttle or the last shuttle is full?

Don't wait too long to catch a shuttle out! It is a long walk back to your vehicle (up to 8 miles or more), and it will be dark out. Alternately, you can walk to the Zion Lodge (still a long walk in the dark!), where the Front Desk will have a list of companies that provide after-hours shuttle van rides. These rides are variable in price and may not be available at all times. Rangers will not give you a ride back to your vehicle.

Can I bring a bicycle on the shuttle?

Yes. No fat tire or e-bikes will be allowed. You will need to be able to put your bike on the bike rack on the front of the shuttle yourself. The shuttle driver will not be able to assist you due to COVID-19 guidelines.

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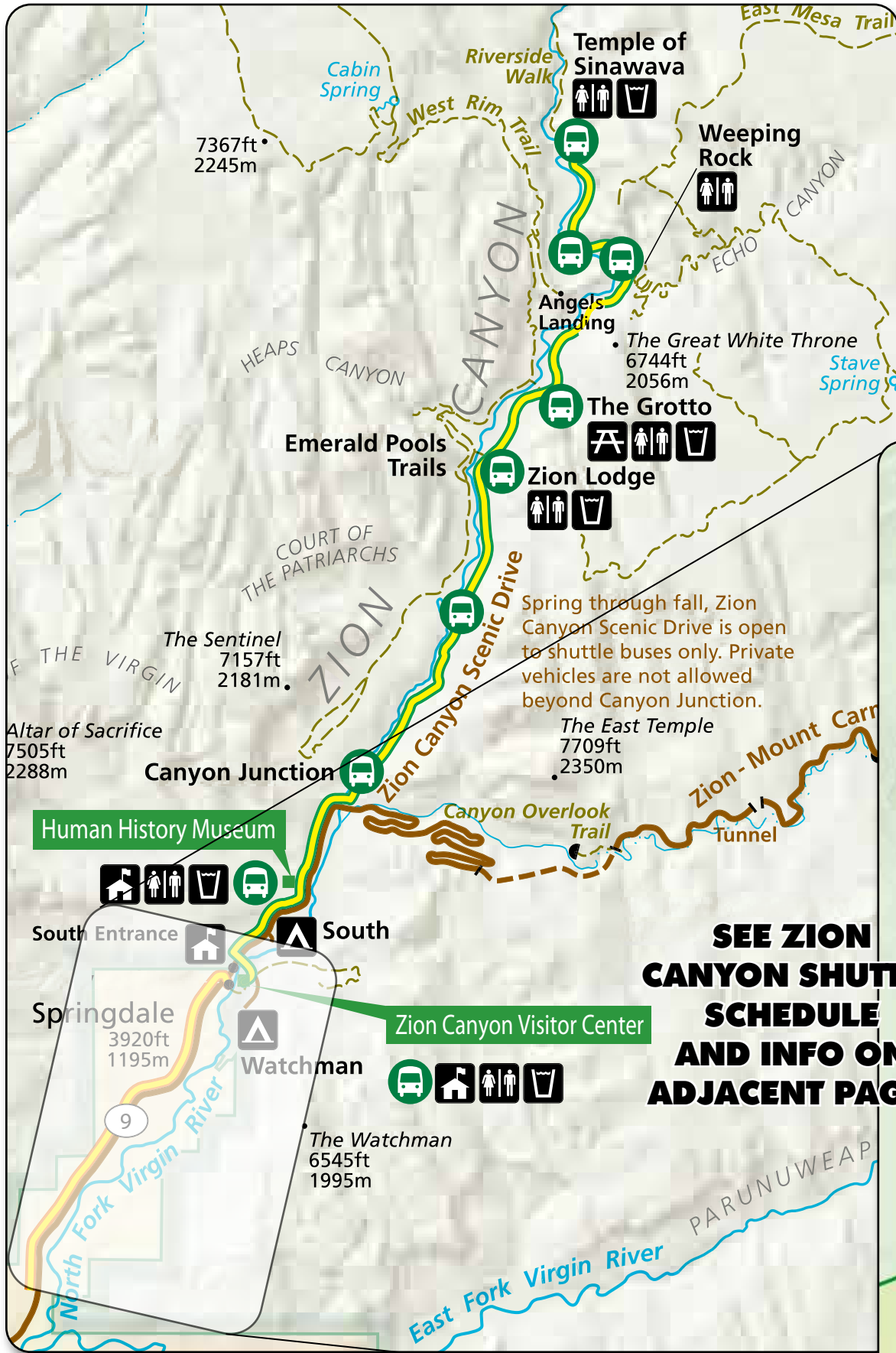





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National parks are seeing an uptick in helicopters carrying unfortunate hikers out of precarious situations.

In the past decade the number of incidents requiring search and rescue or medical treatment increased much faster than the increase in visitorship. The majority of those rescues occurred in Zion and Bryce Canyon National Parks, and most hikers who end up getting into trouble are either in their 20s or are older than 60.

Despite our highly skilled and dedicated rescue teams' valiant efforts, not everyone made it out of their predicaments safely. Twelve people lost their lives in Utah's national parks in 2017 alone.

It's hard to imagine one wanting a vacation amid the splendor of our national parks to involve search and rescue teams or a close encounter with death.

Zion National Park is often referred to as an outdoor Disneyland. But this is the wilderness, and it's far less forgiving than any theme park. Here are some tips for how to safely enjoy your time in Zion Canyon.

Bring water

You lose more water through perspiration than you realize, and if you are used to a more moist climate — and nearly any climate is less arid than southern Utah — you can become dehydrated quickly without realizing it.

The National Park Service recommends that hikers bring one gallon of water per hiker per day. There are fill stations throughout Springdale and the park that provided filtered water at no charge.

Natural water sources in the park such as creeks and streams are not reliable sources of clean drinking water. If you find yourself in a situation wherein you need water but have none, it is strongly advised that any locally-sourced water intended for consumption first be filtered, boiled for at least 10 minutes, or treated with iodine before consuming.



Wear appropriate clothing

While most paths and trails are well maintained, this is the great outdoors, and a little loose gravel or slickrock can lead to injury — or worse. Think of appropriate footwear as an insurance policy — and if you are a little nervous, a hiking stick never hurts. Also, dress lightly if it's going to be hot, but be sure to use appropriate sun protection like sunscreen and large-brimmed hats, because suffering from sunstroke or severe sunburn during an already taxing hike can be brutal.

Hike at your skill level, and don't take risks

Trails in Zion range from short and easy to long and challenging. Don't overestimate your ability and endurance level. And don't engage in horseplay or other activity that might endanger yourself or others. Some of Zion's hikes are steep, and you wouldn't be the first

person to tumble down a hill — or worse, fall off a cliff. Zion is beautiful, but it's also dangerous, so respect yourself and others by respecting the terrain.

Leave wildlife alone

Animals instinctively avoid humans, but the area is home to everything from poisonous snakes to mountain lions. Never approach local wildlife — and never try to feed them. This can result in injury to visitors, and numerous visitors have required stitches after attempting to hand-feed animals. But when humans feed wildlife, it's also not good for the animals, who are already best suited to feed themselves.

Hike sober

Sometimes relatively stationary outdoor activities like boating or camping involve enjoying an adult beverage or two. But when you're hiking the varied terrain of our national parks, you don't want your coordination, balance, or judgment to be impaired to any extent. Zion Canyon, Springdale, and Kanab are home to several fine restaurants and bars — but visit them for a cocktail after your hike, not before.

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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-Sep. Kanab Outdoor Market
Takes place each week from 5 to 8 pm at the "Terrace" at the Kanab Center, located at 20 North 100 East in Kanab. Local vendors, farmers, crafts, and more!

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.

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.

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 don't 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 activities.

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.

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.

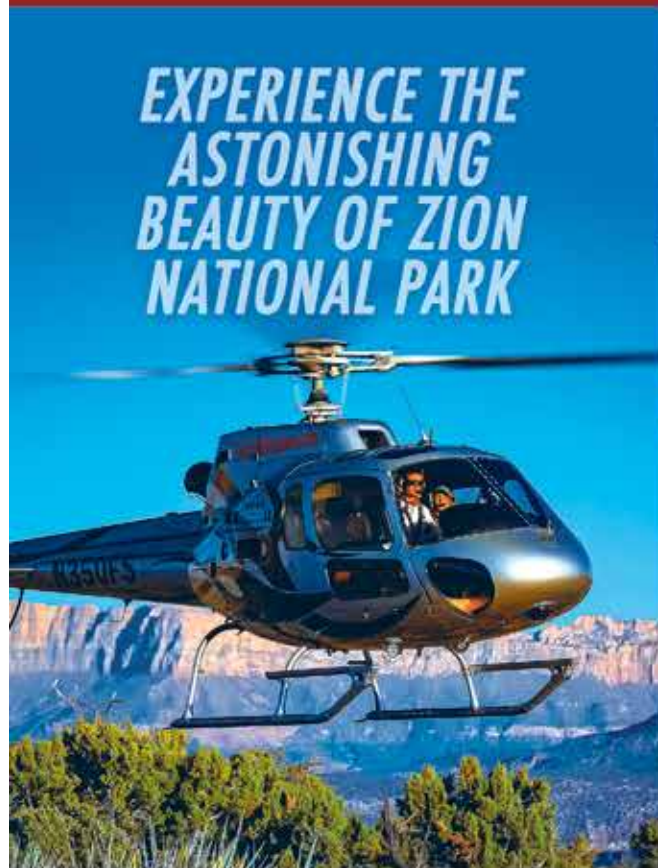
November Zion Canyon Arts and Crafts Fair
Visit Zion for the 26th annual arts and crafts fair put on by Z-Arts. Spend the weekend touring the different vendors and craft booths.

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.

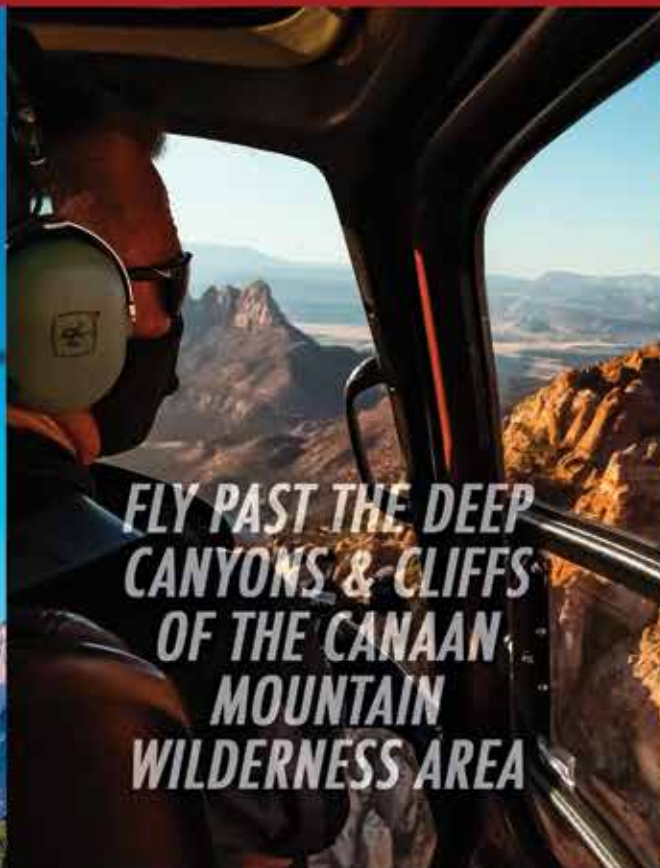


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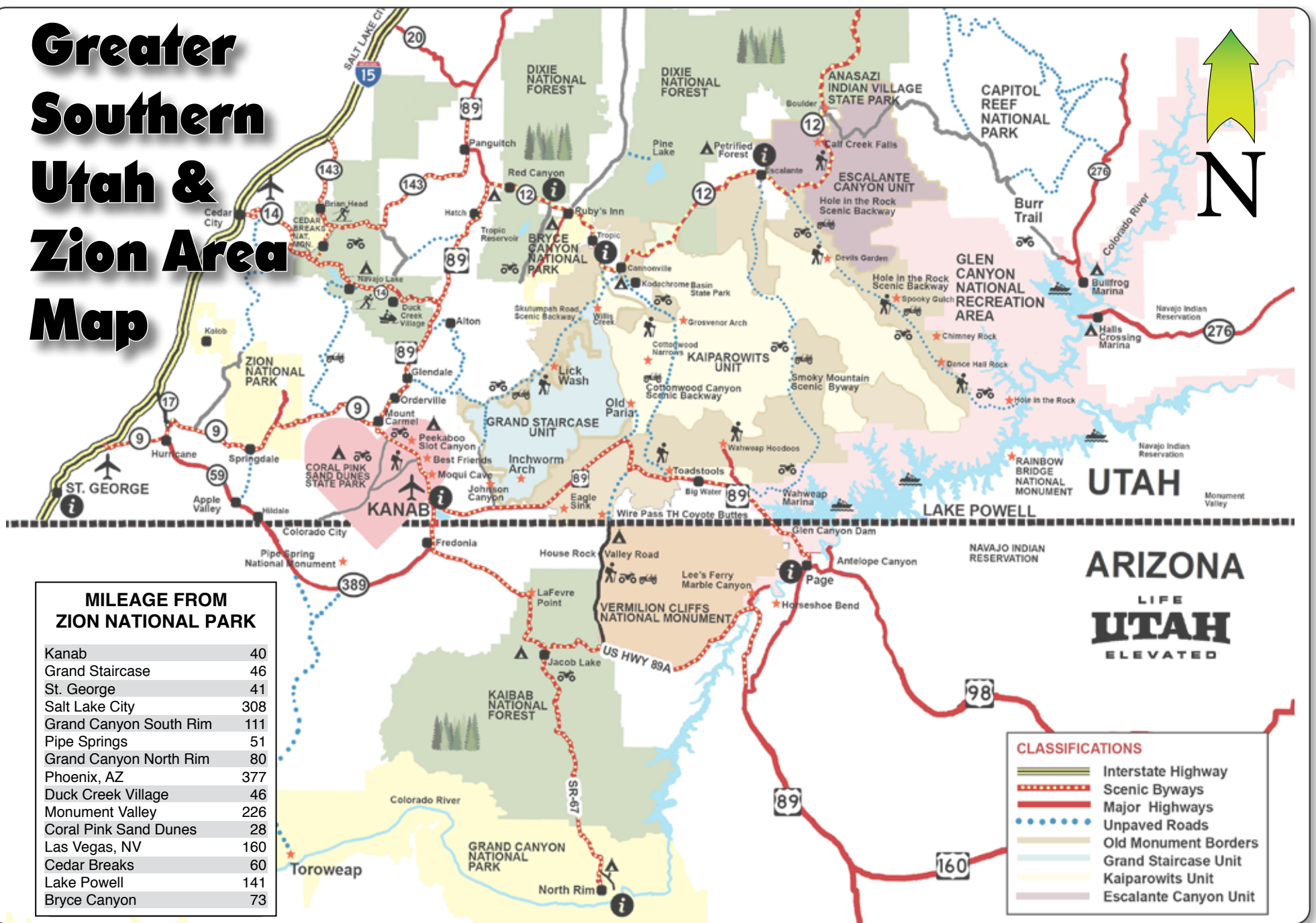
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BAKER - Baker Reservoir is a small lake on the Santa Clara River four miles north of Veyo on Utah State Route 18. It is a 63-acre lake with an average depth of about 20 feet. Many people come to the reservoir to camp at one of its 10 campsites and to fish. The reservoir is stocked with rainbow trout and contains brown trout, green sunfish, crayfish, redbreasted 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 pinon 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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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.



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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 pinon 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 Ivins 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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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 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

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

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



Many Pools

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 yes, 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.

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

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. 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 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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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 Trail

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 Weeping Rock.

The Narrows via Riverside Walk

A full-day hike at 8 hours, the Narrows 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 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.

Canyon 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.

Taylor Creek Trail

You'll begin this five-mile hike at



"Observation Point Revisited" photo by David J West.

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 accessible, there are minor drop-offs. The trail, which is paved, offers trailside exhibits as it follows the Virgin Rivet along the bottom of a narrow canyon.

You can find lots more hiking and other visitor information at ZionGuide.com and SUIindependent.com. Be sure to read our preparedness and safety article on page 24 in this issue before you start your trek. Be safe and have fun!

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15 Asava Juice & Smoothies.....	176 S 100 E, Kanab	(435) 644-2637	V	9am-6pm Mon-Sun	Yes
12 Jakey Leigh's	4 E Center St, Kanab	(435) 644-8191	E, V	7am-2pm Mon-Fri, Sat & Sun 8am-Noon	Yes
7 Peekaboo Restaurant.....	233 W Center St, Kanab.....	(435) 689-1959	W, B, M, E, V	11:30am-2:30pm & 5-9pm daily	Yes
6 Segoe Restaurant	190 N 300 W, Kanab	(435) 644-5680	W, B, M, E, V	6-10pm Tues-Sat	Yes
16 Wild Thyme	198 S 100 E, Kanab.....	(435) 644-2848	W, B, M, V	5pm-9pm Tues-Sun	Yes
17 Willow Canyon Outdoor.....	263 S 100 E, Kanab.....	(435) 644-8884	E	7:30am-7pm daily	Yes

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Services (Listed Alphabetically)

1 Best Friends Animal Sanctuary	5001 Angel Canyon Rd, Kanab	(435) 644-2001
27 Blacksmith Adventures	2450 South Hwy 89, Kanab	(575) 313-4650
5 The Canyons Collection	190 N 300 W, Kanab	(435) 644-8660
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11 ERA Utah Properties	7 West Center, Kanab	(435-644-2606
25 GarKane Energy	1802 S Hwy 89A, Kanab	(435) 644-5026
19 Kanab City	37 North 100 East, Kanab	(435) 644-2534
9 Kanab Realty	93 West Center, Kanab	(435) 229-6911
14 Kane County Visitors Bureau	78 S 100 E, Kanab	(435) 644-5033
23 Kanab Tour Company	681 Chnle Dr, Kanab	(435) 644-5525
1 Maynard Dixon Museum	2200 State St, Mt Carmel	(435) 648-2652
26 Red Rock Homes	1875 South Hwy 89, Kanab	(435) 644-3225

Shops (Listed Alphabetically)

18 Glazier's Market	264 S 100 E, Kanab	(435) 644-5029
22 Honey's Marketplace	260 E 300 S, Kanab	(435) 644-5877
8 Kanab Drug	176 W Center, Kanab	(435) 644-3401
4 Moqui Cave	4581 US-89	(435) 644-8525
29 Pioneer Creations	55 North Main, Fredonia	(928) 643-7020
10 Terry's Photo Shop	19 W Center St, Kanab	(435) 689-0443
1 The Rock Stop	385 W State St, Orderville	(435) 648-2747
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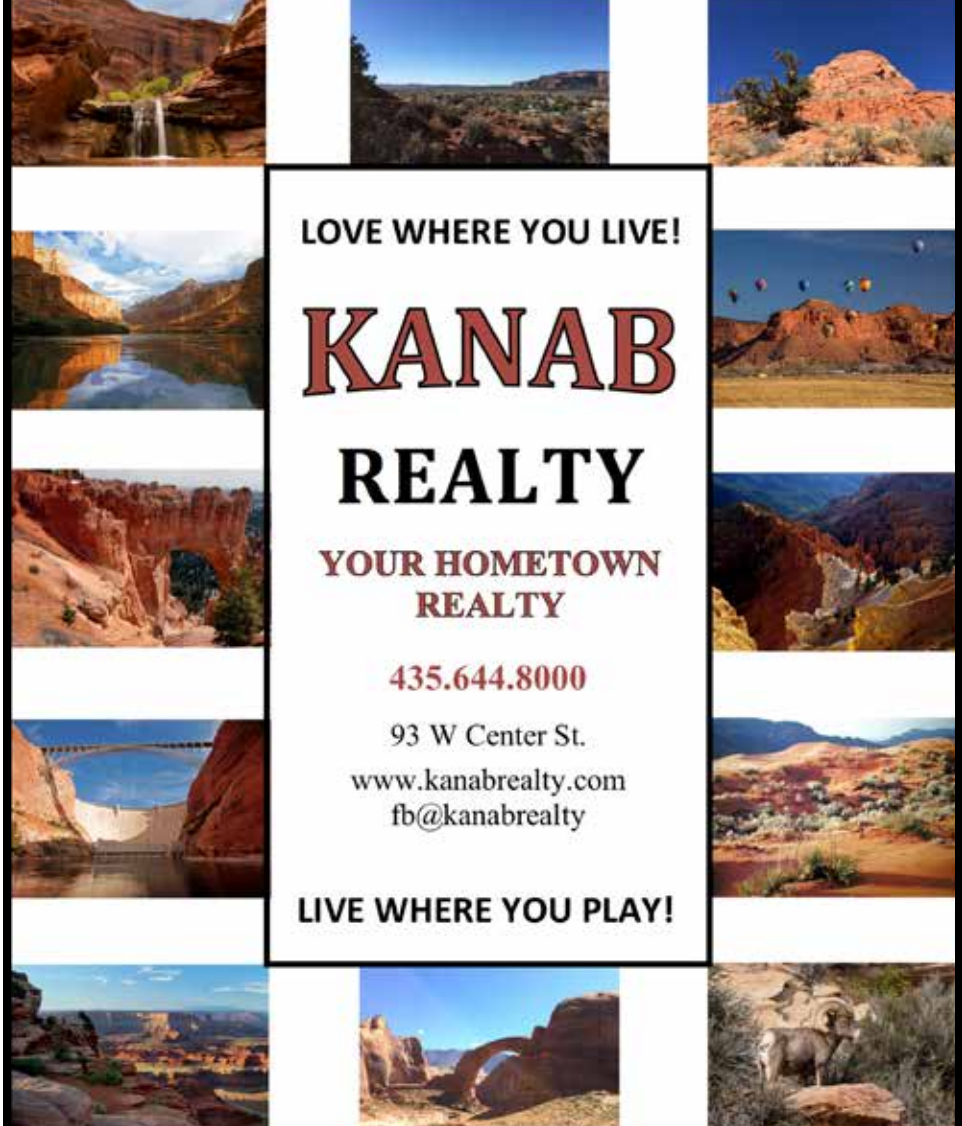
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