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# MOONLESS, STARLIGHT NIGHTS

By Sunny Stroeer

When was the last time you were in a spot where the stars were so bright they would illuminate your path, even on a moonless night?

If you have never experienced darkness so complete and a night sky so bright that you can see the starlight reflecting back from otherworldly rocks all around you, you're not alone.

80% of Americans live in places where artificial light pollution is so strong that the Milky Way is no longer visible and 99% of us have to contend with at least a moderate amount of light pollution that noticeably reduces the brightness of the stars vis-a-vis the sky's natural state.

It's one of the reasons the desert Southwest is so unique: outside of major metropolises like Las Vegas or Phoenix, much of this wild landscape is populated so sparsely that light pollution does not touch our nights. For those willing to spend a night or two camping in the wild, Southern Utah's vast public lands such as Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument, Vermilion Cliffs National Monument in Northern Arizona, and the north rim of the Grand Canyon offer an incredible opportunity to experience the night sky in its natural splendor. Whether you are a photographer wanting to photograph the night sky, or simply an outdoor lover who wants to revel in the beauty of an otherworldly night, our dark skies are waiting for you.

If camping isn't your usual cup of tea, there are several outfitters in Southern Utah who will whisk you



away on a fully catered, stress-free overnight adventure so that you can experience the charming ruggedness of a backcountry camp enveloped by that velvety night sky without having to worry about camping gear, meals, or setting up a tent. One of those outfitters is Kanab-based Dreamland Safari Tours, offering overnight tours to spectacular White Pocket in the Vermilion Cliffs, and jaw-dropping Toroweap on the remote North Rim of the Grand Canyon, during what are typically our most pleasant months: March - June and September - October. Join a regularly scheduled tour during a new moon for the darkest skies, or choose a full-moon date to enjoy the magic of a silent landscape bathed in moonlight bright enough that you don't need a headlamp.

For the most serious photographers, and those wanting to expand their expertise in photographing the night sky, Dreamland offers a set of exclusive Milky Way workshops and clinics with acclaimed photographer Cody York.


If you are looking to get a taste of Milky Way Photography without the commitment of a multi-day camping trip, Cody York's 24-hour Milky Way Clinic at

the Great Chamber may be for you: this hotel-based itinerary includes an al-fresco dinner at the Great Chamber followed by a Milky Way photography session and a return to Kanab in the wee hours of the morning, providing the opportunity for a hot shower and a few hours of sleep in a comfortable bed before clinic participants reconvene with their instructor for the editing session that completes this clinic.

For those photographers who are game for a fully guided multi-day camping trip, Cody York's 3-day / 2-night Milky Way Workshop at White Pocket is an adventure not to be missed. In this photography workshop, Dreamland Safari Tours guides whisk you away to White Pocket where they take care of everything, from setting up camp to cooking delicious meals. The instructors provide an orientation to the White Pocket's incredible scenery, discuss your photography goals, and give tips and tricks on getting the perfect shots. After dinner you spend the evening shooting sunset, blue hour and the Milky Way with expert 1:1 instruction and guidance. The second day is open to relaxing, exploring, and discussing more photography tips and tricks followed by more opportunities to perfect your techniques under the darkest skies around. The group heads back to Kanab after breakfast on day three, rounding things out with a post-production editing clinic and closing dinner.

Milky Way workshops typically take place in the spring or fall, when typically clear skies coincide with good visibility of the galactic core, the Milky Way's brightest center. If you have never seen a starry sky so bright it could illuminate your path, what are you waiting for? No matter how you experience Southwest Utah's dark skies, your body and soul will thank you for having the opportunity to be immersed in something so primordial, serene and calm.





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## EVENTS

## SOUTHERN UTAH HERITAGE CHOIR TO PRESENT "HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS"

Featuring the Truman Brothers  
December 2 & 3, 2022.

Two concerts featuring both new and traditional Christmas music will be presented by the Southern Utah Heritage Choir on Friday, December 2, 2022, at 7:30 PM with a matinee on Saturday, December 3, 2022, at 2 PM. Both concerts will be held at Crimson Cliffs High School Auditorium and will feature Shadow Mountain (Deseret Books record label) recording artists, the Truman Brothers. Tickets for both concerts are available beginning October 1st at [www.HeritageChoir.org](http://www.HeritageChoir.org).

Raised in Nashville, TN, and sons of Grammy-winning Diamond Rio musician, and St. George native, Dan Truman, the brothers spent their formative years in

green rooms and on tour buses with their dad. They both attended BYU and won the BYU "Battle of the Bands" in both 2007 and 2008. Now, they spend their time performing at Christian rock concerts or in the recording studio. The Brothers have performed at the iconic Bluebird Café in Nashville and were recently asked to perform the first-ever Christian rock concert at The Tabernacle at Temple Square. Their debut album, *Quiet Revolution*, was Top 10 on the iTunes Christian chart.

"We are so excited to perform with the (Heritage) Choir," said Chad Truman, "And we're so excited to perform in the literal land of our forefathers!"

The Southern Utah Heritage Choir, with its 175 volunteer members, is now in its 29<sup>th</sup> season of providing popular and inspirational music throughout southern Utah and to national and international audiences. As the largest community choir in the region, they will perform such popular Christmas songs as "Deck the Hall," "Christmas is Coming," "Ding Dong! Merrily on High!" as well as new arrangements to favorites such as "I Saw Three Ships," and "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" among others. The Truman Brothers will perform several of their own hit songs as well as other Christmas music.

The Choir is under the direction of Principal Conductor, Dr. Ken Peterson. Its Artistic Director and accompanist are Tami Creamer with Karen Kennedy at the organ and Jennifer Redfearn at the piano.

General admission tickets are \$20/person with a limited number of "family of four" packs available for \$50. Visit [www.HeritageChoir.org](http://www.HeritageChoir.org) for tickets or more information.



## MOHAVE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SERVING UP CULINARY CLASSES

COLORADO CITY, AZ - Mohave Community College is now offering Culinary classes at the North Mohave Campus, which serves northern Arizona and southern Utah.

The two-day classes are five hours each day and you will learn how to cook a 5-star recipe from Executive Chef Rena Pavilonis in each class.



Executive Chef Rena Pavilonis

"I spent most of my adult life in rural Montana learning the practical skills of ranching including gardening, harvesting, and preserving foods, vaccinating cows and trimming horse hooves," said Chef Renae. "I now have a fulfilling career in Culinary Arts, including Executive Chef and Caterer and my classic French training has stood me well and is the base for my adventurous cooking style. Since moving to Colorado City my focus has been on sharing my passion of cooking with others. In my class, we

will enjoy our accomplishments by sharing meals made by our own hands. Can't wait to meet you!"

These fun and insightful classes are taught through MCC's Community Education non-credit division and are held at Bee's Marketplace, 1045 S Central St, Colorado City, AZ 86021.

To see the class times and descriptions about the meals you will learn in each session, and sign up for the classes, please visit the College's online Community Education class registration site at [CE.Mohave.edu](http://CE.Mohave.edu), and then click the Life and Leisure option and follow the prompts to the Culinary classes. If you have questions, please contact Chef Renae at [RPavilonis@Mohave.edu](mailto:RPavilonis@Mohave.edu).

Along with Community Education non-credit classes, MCC offers more than college 80 degree and certificate options. It is a comprehensive community college serving students throughout western Arizona and neighboring communities in California, Nevada and Utah. The college has three primary pathways for students:

- Workforce & Regional Development
- General Education & Transfer
- Health, Public Safety & Human Services Professions

Under these three pathways students have access to more than 40 college programs, in which students receive the skills training and education needed for rewarding careers, as well as the academic foundation to transfer their MCC associate degree credits to a university where they may enter as a junior and complete a bachelor's degree. The college has seamless credit transfers to nearly two dozen university partners, including Dixie State and Southern Utah University.

For more information about how MCC can help you improve your life, please visit the college online at [Mohave.edu](http://Mohave.edu) or call 1-866-MOHAVECC.

## CHRISTMAS COMES TO THE CENTER FOR THE ARTS AT KAYENTA

Kurt Bestor, 3 Redneck Tenors, and the It's a Wonderful Life, Radio Play bring Christmas home this year.

The Center for the Arts at Kayenta has announced their holiday shows for the 2022 Christmas season. Don't miss these spectacular holiday shows that are perfect for the whole family. Gift certificates are available and group discounts are available for company parties or family groups!

**Kurt Bestor  
Christmas, Return to the Magic - December 1-3 at 7:30 PM**

Start the holiday season off right with a locals favorite, Kurt Bestor. He will be performing his "Return to the Magic" Christmas concert along with several guest musicians. Only 3 shows will be performed, December 1,2,3, at 7:30pm. If you have never been to one of his Christmas shows before, come see why Bestor's annual holiday show has become a must-see Christmas concert and event, and a yearly tradition for hundreds of thousands of Utahns.

Bestor's unique style has earned him legions of loyal fans around the world. His holiday shows are a popular annual family event musical voice is unique and elevating, having the capacity to evoke joy, serenity, and ecstasy. His composing and performing talents have garnered an Emmy award and Grammy nominations. He's best known for his popular Christmas concerts and albums, but he's also written over forty feature-length scores for film, themes for national television productions and he's performed live concerts to more than half a million people in the past three decades. Cost: Adults \$40, Children and Students \$10.

**It's a Wonderful Life, A Live Radio Show - December 16-17 at 7:30 PM**

Be a part of the audience of this recreation of a 1947 live radio broadcast. Join "Jimmy Stewart and Donna Reed" and a host of delightful characters as they reenact this timeless and beloved story in a 1947 radio studio. Watch the fun unfold in the telling of this classic Christmas tale.

Complete with crazy antics, sound effects, surprises and all the Christmas feels. This show is a wonderful night out for the entire family! Cost: Adults \$25, Children and Student \$10

**Redneck Tenors Christmas SPEC-TAC-YULE-AR - December 19-21 at 7:30 PM**

The 3 Redneck Tenors are real-life Broadway and Opera stars that are ready



to jingle-bell-rock the Center For the Arts at Kayenta on December 19, 20 and 21st, 2022. The 3 Redneck Tenors were top finalists on "America's Got Talent" and have been thrilling audiences since 2006. Their unique Christmas show features classic, pop, and a deep-fried feast of musical delights. There's nothing old-fashioned about this music, arranged by award-winning composer Craig Bohmler. The show is infused with vitality, energy, passion, and laughter. These "trailer park singing angels" have packed their festive mullets and will be dashing through Kayenta just in time for some down-home redneck Christmas Cheer. Get your tickets before they sell out! Cost: Adults \$35, Student \$10.

For more information visit [www.KayentaArts.com](http://www.KayentaArts.com) or call 435-674-2787 and we'll see you in Kayenta!

## WESTSIDE STUDIO BRINGS THE NUTCRACKER TO SOUTHERN UTAH

Westside Studio of Performing Arts continues a time-honored holiday tradition in Southern Utah with four performances of the classic ballet "The Nutcracker."

Grown-ups and children alike will delight in seeing the mice and soldiers battle before Clara continues into the Snow Kingdom and the Land of the Sweets to visit the Sugar Plum Fairy. There, dancers from around the world entertain the Nutcracker Prince and Clara, bringing smiles to the faces of all involved. Westside Studio will present a full production of the classic ballet featuring accomplished professional dancers as well as local dance students. Beautifully decorated sets and exquisite costumes accent Tchaikovsky's magical score.

The professional ensemble stars Matisse Madden as the Sugar Plum Fairy and the Snow Queen, Gennaro Della Regione as the Cavalier and Troy McGee as Drosselmeyer. Madden and Regione hail from the East Coast, while McGee lives in Southern Utah and has appeared in many

productions at Tuacahn Center for the Arts. Dustin Hill, another professional dancer based in the local area, will round out the cast.

Westside Studio has performed an adaptation of "The Nutcracker" every holiday season for the past 30 years. It grew to a full-scale production in 2000. For the young talent being nurtured by the studio's faculty, it's a thrilling opportunity to dance alongside seasoned professionals. Although the story has been adapted countless times for film, television and live shows, it remains a beloved Christmas favorite with audiences worldwide and Westside Studio of Performing Arts is proud to bring their version to Southern Utah.

The studio will perform "The Nutcracker" at the Desert Hills High School auditorium Dec. 9-10, with performances at 2:30 PM and 7:30 PM both days. Tickets range from \$15 - \$40 and may be purchased at [www.westsidestudio.org/tickets](http://www.westsidestudio.org/tickets).



**EVENTS**

**THE NEW BUMBLEBERRY THEATER FEATURES JOSHUA CREEK CHRISTMAS AND MORE**

The NEW Bumbleberry Theater in Springdale Features Joshua Creek Christmas and More

The Bumbleberry Inn's restaurant, gift



shop, and theatre, burned after a kitchen fire on November 3, 2020. Now, a brand-new building featuring a new gift shop, restaurant, ice cream shop and theatre has been built in its place featuring new state of the art lights and sound, retracting theater seating, and flexibility to do dinner theatre and more. The NEW Bumbleberry Theatre is excited to be hosting these exciting events during the upcoming holiday season.

Joshua Creek Christmas is back by popular demand coming Saturday, December 17th, 2022, and the show starts at 7 PM.

Come join us as Joshua Creek brings

in the Christmas spirit with their beautiful music The storytelling songwriters present a collection of traditional and original Christmas songs mixed with memories and anecdotes of Christmas This makes for a great date night, or gift to increase the Christmas spirit. You can learn more about Joshua Creek by visiting [www.joshuacreek-music.com](http://www.joshuacreek-music.com).

Tickets are just \$15 per person and can be purchased at [www.showtix4u.com/event-details/68471](http://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/68471)

*Alternate Currents* will be performing on November 16th, 2022, from 7 PM - 9 PM

Southern Utah University is excited to introduce their new commercial music ensemble *Alternate Currents*. This group plays an assortment of R&B/Pop cover songs and original tunes. The Commercial Music program is a new part of the music department curriculum at SUU where students can study music technology, recording and performing in contemporary music styles. *Alternate Currents* is a free concert.

Also, Cole Sherratt performs every Saturday night from 5-9 PM and is a free

performance. Cole Sherratt is a Pop, Rock and R&B musician, entertainer, show producer, songwriter and vocalist who is based in Las Vegas, Nevada. He's been featured on HBO, NBC Sing Off Live Tour, seen routinely at MGM and Caesars Casino Properties and has toured internationally with Disney, Norwegian Cruise Lines, Spirit Productions, and AMResorts.

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**EVENTS**

**CELEBRATE IRON COUNTY HISTORY AT FRONTIER HOMESTEAD**

Cedar City, UT- Frontier Homestead State Park, in partnership with the Cedar City Corporation, celebrates the founding of Cedar City with two days of hands-on activities designed to honor the spirit of our community and those that created opportunities for our growth. Enjoy the cool, crisp fall air on Friday & Saturday, November 11th & 12th from 10 AM to 4 PM as Frontier Homestead hosts its annual Iron Mission Days. The cost is \$8.00 per family or free with a museum friends membership.



Pioneer activities and living history demonstrations will be available. Featured activities include blacksmithing, our ever-popular rag dolls, log cutting and more. Craft vendors will be set up throughout the park and the local HAM radio club will be on hand and broadcasting from the park. On Saturday, representatives from Cedar City Corporation will hand out birthday cake to mark the occasion.

Friday and Saturday, November 11th and 12th promise to be fun-filled days of adventure for the whole family. Make history your story, and connect with the traditions, knowledge, ideas, and activities of the past by joining us for Iron Mission Days.

For more information call 435-586-9290 or visit our website: [www.frontier-homestead.org](http://www.frontier-homestead.org). Frontier Homestead State Park, where history becomes your story, is located at 635 North Main Street in Cedar City, Utah.



**ST. GEORGE'S WINTER CONCERT SERIES IS UNDERWAY**

St. George's new Winter Concert Series brings community members of all ages and musical tastes together

The City of St. George's free Concert in the Park series was so popular that a new idea emerged: arrange more live music for the residents of the city. The result is the Winter Concert Series, a festive celebration of music that brings community members of all ages together once a month from October through January.

The series kicked off on Oct. 24 at



the Electric Theater (68 East Tabernacle Street) with Mountaintop Sound, a Utah-based band that blends a mix of Americana, folk and bluegrass sounds, will delight the audience. All Winter Concert Series events are free to attend, but seating is on a first-come, first-served basis, and is limited to the capacity of the building (300). Doors open 20 minutes prior to the performance.

"We listened to our residents' desire for

more live music — and we hope this first step in meeting those wishes will be well received," said Jeremy Poston, Technical Theater Coordinator for the City of St. George. "We love to give back to our residents and help them feel a sense of community through a greater variety of entertainment."

All concerts are scheduled to begin at 7 PM. The series also includes the following artists:

- Nov. 14 Ron Stubbs Rock & Roll Hypnotist (Family Friendly Hypnotic Comedy)
- Dec. 13: Chris Anderson (Crooner Christmas)
- Jan. 16: Legends of Rock (Classic Rock)

Visit [www.sgcity.org/winterconcertseries](http://www.sgcity.org/winterconcertseries) for more information.

**About the Winter Concert Series**

The Winter Concert Series is a festive celebration of music that brings community members of all ages together for four exciting nights. This new series runs October through January once a month at the Electric Theater Center (68 E Tabernacle St). Seating is based on a first-come first-served basis. The Winter Concert Series is free to the public. Donations are appreciated. Questions: Call 627-4580 or email [artadmin@sgcity.org](mailto:artadmin@sgcity.org).

**THE STAGE DOOR EXPANDS THEIR HORIZONS WITH 2023 SEASON**

"The Stage Door manages to widen the palette of theatrical experience with shows that will often Take you where you don't expect to go," as patron Paul Nickels recently stated. We have proved this time and again over the years with great shows like *The Producers*, *Young Frankenstein*, *Chicago*, *A Chorus Line*, and *Something Rotten*. We plan to do it again.

The Stage Door's 2023 season will be *nothing but a good time*. The rock epic, *Rock of Ages*, directed by the brilliant Venny Carranza, paired with the musical talents of Alice Ericksen, and the light design of Joshua Scott, give you a team that wants to rock. We will follow it with the magic of *The Wizard of Oz*, directed by our gifted Brianna Rosia. Both children leads and their mentor leads will collaborate on the same role. Pioneered this summer, this process will make our second child/mentor show.

We are also extremely excited to be offering a play written by the comedic genius, Steve Martin. *Picasso at the Lapine Agile* will be directed by Kelly Thomas, theatre teacher at Pine View High School, fulfilling our mission of exposing Southern Utah audiences to art they wouldn't normally have the opportunity to see. *The Monty Python's Spamalot* is another musical comedy we will bring back locally. Our



most requested play of the season, we anticipate it will bring out a lot of your favorite male performers to audition. Our fifth show, *A Tuna Christmas*, will take place in December. This two man show contains 22 different characters, both male and female. It is hilarity on stage, and the audience will love it.

Our unique season ticket options make it even easier to be entertained at The Stage Door. Through Showtix4u.com, we sell Season Flex Passes. These come in packages of six or 10 tickets. The truly distinctive thing about them is that you can redeem them in any configuration of tickets. If you get a ten ticket pass, you can choose to get four tickets to one show and six to another. Or you can choose to get two tickets to every show during the 2023 season. These tickets are redeemable through a code you get at checkout, and in your email. You will use the same code each time you redeem tickets, until you have redeemed all six or 10.

At The Stage Door, we hope you get the chance to see something you haven't seen before, to laugh with your whole being, and to be inspired in your heart.

Visit [www.thestagedoortheater.com](http://www.thestagedoortheater.com) for more information and we hope to see you at our 2023 season at The Stage Door.



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**EVENTS**

**VISIT THE SEARS ART MUSEUM FOR A BRUSH WITH AFRICA**

The Utah Tech University Sears Art Museum Presents A BRUSH WITH AFRICA featuring art by Birgit Wudenka McMullen, Sage Gallagher, and Ruth Hewlett-Pope. In the Eccles Grand Foyer: Brush and Lens: Deena Millecam and Stephen Sandau. An artist panel and reception will be held on Friday, December 2 from 6 PM

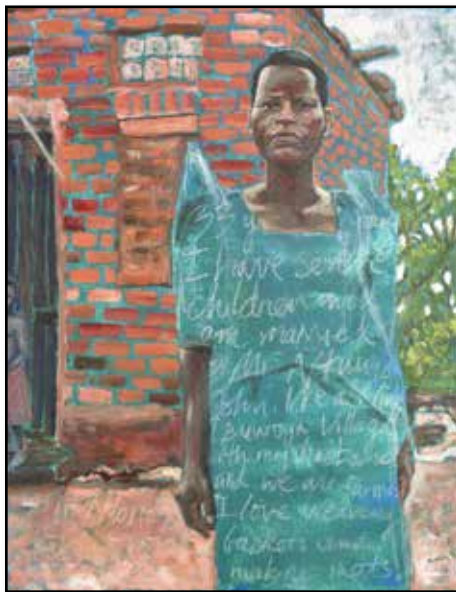


until 8:30 PM in the Sears Art Museum. The exhibit will be open from November 29, 2022 until January 13, 2023 (closed during UT holidays Dec 23 – Jan 2).

African art reflects history, culture, and beliefs. Africa inspired artists long before recorded history. Many of today's artists have reached regional and international fame. It seems that Africa gets into the hearts of people everywhere. The beauty and the people have inspired three artists who have had A Brush with Africa. Birgit Wudenka McMullen, living in Cedar City Utah, served in the Peace Corps for three years and deeply misses Malawi and all her friends there. Sage Gallagher, of St.

George, Utah, has a passion to help villagers in Uganda and the Democratic Republic of Congo to start small businesses and to build an orphanage. Currently she is getting to know the villagers by painting their portraits. Ruth Hewlett-Pope, accompanied her husband Louis

Pope, to Africa on humanitarian projects. Ruth was provided a lot of time to paint and observe the beauty and hardworking people of Africa.



Ruth shares her thoughts, "It is my belief that there is energy and life in all the creations of earth and that there is light filling the earth from a Heavenly source. In my travels to Kenya, Africa I have learned to love and respect the native people. I love trying to capture the feel and emotion of their existence."

Kathy Cieslewicz, Curator and Director of the museum shares "This is a beautiful show and we are so happy to have the opportunity of exhibiting this art. As a museum we are working on building a collection of art from diverse artists to reflect the diversity on our campus."

The Brush and Lens exhibit featured in Foyer combines two different mediums to depict the same subject. Stephen Sandau (photography) and Deena Millecam (watercolor) are exhibiting a unique artistic experience.

The Museum is open Monday to Friday from 9 AM until 5 PM, and is closed on weekends and holidays. Admission is free.

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**EVENTS**

**THE NASHVILLE TRIBUTE BAND COMES TO SOUTHERN UTAH**

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"We are thrilled about our next show with a group of talented individuals that we absolutely love! Last December we hosted Due West for our Christmas concert and it was magical. This December we will add a few more band members and a Gospel twist to enjoy the inspirational music of the Nashville Tribute Band."

The Nashville Tribute Band is a Christian music group unlike any you've ever heard. With their original music, these six Nashville musicians pay tribute to the things they believe in by offering a new perspective on familiar Christian stories.

The band has released nine albums and performed over 1,500 shows across the United States, as well as Australia, China, Canada, and the U.K. Their albums have charted Top 10 on the Billboards Gospel Charts and their award-winning songs have become the soundtrack to many young men and women's mission experience.

The band was formed in 2005 by award-winning songwriter/producer Jason Deere and recording artist Dan Truman (a member of the Grammy-winning country music group Diamond Rio). Alongside them are Tim Gates, Brad Hull, Ben, and Chad Truman.

We invite you celebrate the pure spirit of Christmas with us at the Dixie Convention Center on December 7th with the Nashville Tribute Band and Liberty Entertainment. Tickets are \$35-\$40 and available now via JubileeTix on our website: www.libertyentertainment.live

**CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY**

Join us in Parowan, Nov. 25-26, starting at 10 AM each day!

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On Saturday, Santa's Parade will kick up the holiday cheer on Main Street in Parowan with Santa taking your child's requests at the Fairgrounds shortly thereafter where the Holiday Bazaar will continue to deliver all the holiday joy you can imagine.

And that's not all! At 6 PM that night, there will be a Candlelight Walking Parade back on Main Street in Parowan with the public invited to bring their own candles to join the parade with a Lighting Up The Town ceremony at 6:15 PM. From there, you'll want to head over to the Aladdin Theater for a special Variety Show at 7 PM. Admission is Free but donations will be accepted.

So get your Holiday shopping in early and join us in Cedar City and Parowan for an inspiring holiday treat! The County Fair Building is located at, 60 E. 500 N. Clinic Way, Parowan.

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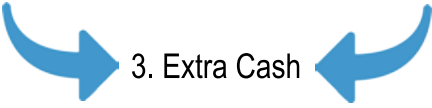


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## OPINION

TOM'S 2022  
THANKSGIVING  
THANKFUL  
LIST

By Tom Garrison

Each November, I compose a "Thanksgiving Thankful List" for the preceding year. My wife, Deb, and I enjoy our life in red rock, southern Utah, and have many things for which we are thankful. I hope sharing them brings a smile and acknowledgment that even the seldom thought can be a source of thankfulness. Below is my 2022 list.

I'm thankful for whipped cream. Nothing tops off a wonderful Thanksgiving like having a small piece of pumpkin pie on my plate of whipped cream. Of course, whipped cream goes with many foods—pie, ice cream, jello, and so on. It is important to obtain the proper ratio of whipped cream to ice cream, jello, or whatever. My experience is that the proper ratio is about three units of whipped cream to every unit of pie. This necessitates having multiple cans of whipped cream for the meal—you wouldn't want to deny others their share of the creamy nectar.

I'm thankful for glasses, the kind you put on your face to see. When my contact lenses are out, the glasses help me avoid running into walls. Well, most of the time.

I'm glad someone invented toothpicks. Picture this; you've just finished a wonderful meal consisting of a 16-ounce porterhouse and a bunch of other unimportant stuff. All is good in the world except for the forest of minute pieces of meat filling the gaps between your teeth. No problem, whip out your trusty toothpick and get to work dislodging your second helping of meat. If you are in a restaurant, you can also use the little plastic swords that come with some food as a toothpick.

I'm thankful for paper towels. You make a small mess and rip a rectangle or two from the roll and clean it up. If I had to use a cloth rag to clean up my messes, it would not be a pretty sight, considering how many messes I make in a typical week. At the end of a week, using cloth rags, I would have a mound of rags nearly as tall as I am (six feet, one inch). Water used to clean rags would probably amount to most of what's left in Lake Mead.

I never thought I say this, but I'm thankful for "pronouns" being such a "woke" thing.

I'm lousy with names; just ask my wife. Unless I see a person fairly often, the odds

are good that I won't remember their name. I'll usually remember that I have met them, but the name is almost always elusive.

Then comes along "wokeism"—a hyper version of political correctness. Included in wokeism is the idea that some people do not want to be identified by their sex. So, at least some of them adopt and ask others to use cumbersome pronouns like "they" instead of their given name.

Given my lousy name memory, this is great. I can interact with someone I've already met and simply keep using the pronoun "you" ("you" is a second-person pronoun) instead of their name, which I don't remember anyway. Thus, wokeism allows me to avoid embarrassing social faux pas. Who would have thought such a stupid component of Left ideology had a positive aspect?

6. I'm thankful for growing up in the 1950s and '60s, and I'll include the '70s. (I was born in 1952.) The music was great. Can any singer top Grace Slick (of the Jefferson Airplane) belting out "White Rabbit?" Or how about Mick and the boys (Rolling Stones) throwing energy bolts with "Street Fighting Man." And Roy Orbison is spinning one of his ballads like "Pretty Woman." Or the king, Elvis (not Elvis Costello), shaking it up with "Jailhouse Rock." And don't forget the Motown sound of groups like The Supremes and The Temptations.

I can't name a single song in the last 20 years that comes anywhere near the energy and often eloquence of tunes from the 1960s and '70s. Can you? I'll take Grace Slick or Janis Joplin any day over Lady Gaga.

7. There are many reasons to be thankful for our cats, Bob and Willa. A seldom acknowledged one is that they continue to educate us about all important body language or non-verbal communication. We can't communicate much verbally to them—their name and maybe a few commands. We don't even know if they understand; it is unknowable.

It is the same for them talking to us. Even though we often talk to them, and they talk to us, verbal communication is sketchy at best.

According to experts, cats can vocalize more than 100 different sounds. But none of them are, "I'm hungry; feed me." We humans have to figure out what they are saying. Since cats do much of their communication through body language, it behooves us to learn that language.

Is a cat okay when its ears are back? Nope. How about that twitching tail? Leave them alone for a while. And when they rub against your legs? That is a good thing.

I'm thankful Bob and Willa keep me focused regarding non-verbal communication as a part of overall communication. It comes in handy when communicating with cats and often with humans. Thus, because of my study of cat non-verbal communication, I now know that when another human takes a swipe at me with their paw, I mean hand, things are a little tense between us.

MCMULLIN RACE OFFERS  
OPPORTUNITIES FOR DOWN-  
BALLOT NON-REPUBLICANS

By Josh Warburton



Some opportunities only come along once in a lifetime. Some happen only every 25 to 50 years. For non-Republican candidates in Utah, an opportunity to win only happens roughly this frequently. But it's happening now, and I'm not sure the message has made it out to all the voting populace.

So while you've likely heard something like "this is the most important election" every election cycle, hear me out on why this might be the most significant election cycle for non-Republican candidates and their supporters in Kane County, House District 69, and Utah, maybe ever...I'm looking at you, Kanab!

One of the principal reasons why this opportunity exists this year is independent Evan McMullin's run for incumbent Republican senator Mike Lee's seat. Polls show this race quite close and tightening over the course of the campaign. Now polls are often wrong. Yeah, I said it. Polls are commonly off by as much as 5%. It's the nature of polling. And Lee's numbers may have a bit of a "Trump Effect" where the amount of support for Lee is under-reported because some may support Lee but be apprehensive to say so...or even answer a poll at all, thereby skewing the poll numbers against Lee. But it's also possible it could work in reverse. That's to say it's possible pollsters may be missing a whole segment of voters who could come out in support of McMullin but aren't being surveyed because they don't fall into the "likely" voter category based on previous voting history or lack thereof. And that's because there seems to be more interest in voting this year, and due to the Dobbs decision, it seems to motivate the young, female, and progressive-leaning voter. There has been increased voter registration in Utah, but there's no doubt that McMullin would have to win a significant percentage of the Republican vote since Republicans make up almost exactly 50% of total registered voters in Utah.

Now Memillan's race is unique in that there is no Democrat in the race, and as you may know, the Utah Democratic party voted earlier this year to unite behind McMullin rather than put forth their own candidate, a move extremely controversial among the rank and file Democrats in Utah as many vocally protested the move. Some I've talked to have vowed not to vote for McMullin on principle, even with the unique opportunity to vote out an election-denying Trump cohort. We will see if these emotions win out or if a cooler, more pragmatic head prevails among these Utah Dems on election day. I have a feeling that in the end, they won't waste their vote and will vote to oust Lee, who is currently being implicated in the January 6 attack on the Capitol.

And the McMullin race isn't the only race in our area that many progressives should be excited about. Democrat Davina Smith seems to be running an incredibly strong and broad campaign for State House District 69. The last I heard, her campaign had raised over \$160,000, which for our district is enormous. I have also seen significant signage for her opponent Republican Phil Lyman who currently holds the seat, showing he knows he is truly being chal-

lenged. District 69 (most of the old 62) was re-drawn in 2020 and considerably in the favor of a Democrat or non-Republican. This district not only has 19% native American voters but also now includes all of Moab and Grand County, areas with a considerable Democrat population.

And in scenic Kane County, Democrats have put up Pat Horning for Kane County Commissioner Seat B, which became more competitive when Camille Johnson joined as a write-in candidate, making it a three-person race. Horning has run what a Utah Democratic Party contact of mine described as "the most organized rural Democratic campaign I've seen this year." His ads,



signs, postcards, and social media presence have been more visible than his two opponents, with evidence being that he has raised the most of any County race this year, as of last reporting.

If the winds are blowing in Democrats' favor because of the overturning of Roe versus Wade, if enough Utahns unite to dethrone Lee, if Davina has motivated Native, new, and old voters to support her, and if Pat Horning's "Conservative Democrat" message has resonated with enough Kane County constituents from Big Water to Cedar Mountain, could it be the perfect storm that sweeps in non-Republicans this once in a lifetime? Well, that's a lot of "ifs," and there isn't good polling data on any of these races being in a statewide election in, for what, 20 years...? So will moderate Republicans, Independents, and Democrats unite to make history in November? We shall see!

VOTE NOW! If you're currently registered to vote you should have received a ballot in your mailbox last week. If not, but you're currently eligible to vote in Utah, go to [vote.utah.gov](http://vote.utah.gov) through October 28 to check or update your registration. After that, please contact your local county clerk's office in person, and you can also register to vote on Election Day.

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## OUTDOORS

# HIKING SOUTHERN UTAH: HIGH POINT TRAIL IN THE RED CLIFFS DESERT RESERVE

By Tom Garrison

**Location:** Red Cliffs Desert Reserve, Utah  
**Difficulty:** Easy along an old, mostly rocky, maintenance road with a small total elevation gain, although there are up and down sections.

**Average Hiking Time:** Two hours at a leisurely pace with many stops for photos.

**Elevation:** The trailhead elevation is 4,170 feet, with an approximately 150 feet elevation change from the trailhead to the end of the trail.

**Family Friendly:** A little rocky. Watch your step, and everyone should be okay.

**Getting There:** From St. George, go north on 3050 East Street/Green Springs Drive, cross under Interstate 15 (at exit 10), and turn left (west) onto Red Hills Parkway. Continue on Red Hills Parkway for 1.6 miles and turn right (north) onto Cottonwood Springs Road (aka 1550 East). Staying on the main road, drive 6.5 miles to the signed "Black Gulch" trailhead on the right (east). (It is about 1.2 miles past the signed Yellow Knolls Trailhead.) The first three miles of Cottonwood Springs Road are paved, the remainder a good dirt road

that poses no problem for a standard sedan. Or from downtown St. George go north on 1000 East and turn right (east) on Red Hills Parkway. Take the Parkway .7 miles and turn left (north) onto Cottonwood Springs Road. Follow the above directions from there.

Sometimes you need a getaway hike—you know, close by, easy, and with good views of southwest Utah's varied landscape. If you want to be alone, this is the hike for you. We did not see another person at the trailhead or on the trail.

Our latest adventure, a getaway hike, took us along High Point Trail in the Red Cliffs Desert Reserve. It is an easy hike along an old, mostly rocky maintenance road featuring an old water pipeline at the end, good views to the north, Yellow Knolls area to the south, and a remote valley to the south and east at the trail's end.

The Red Cliffs Desert Reserve was established in 1996 to protect a large and diverse habitat capable of sustaining wild-



From the trailhead stepover, we went north a short distance and very soon came to an old powerline maintenance road heading northeast. About ½ mile from the trailhead, we passed a signed junction with the north end of Yellow Knolls Trail. The area around the junction was a good site for photos of Yellow Knolls.

Approximately one mile from the trailhead was a fork in the trail. The maintenance road went left and the trail, with a helpful trail sign at the fork, went right. We went right off the main road at the trail sign and onto an old two-track, rocky access road skirting around a large white rock outcropping. We soon turned to the east along the northern edge of the outcropping.

Here we went downhill into a small valley and saw our endpoint, the St. George water pipeline. The valley was mostly sculpted white sandstone with black volcanic rocks topping the surrounding mountains. We made our way to the pipeline and were surprised to hear water running through it. It may have been old, but it was still carrying water down from the mountains.

After exploring the area for a while, we headed back. On the way out and back, we noticed something we don't usually see. It must have been grasshopper season, for we saw dozens of them hopping and flying about. Of course, lizards were hungry and chasing the grasshoppers. Not to be left out, birds were chasing the grasshoppers and lizards.

The hike is about a 2.8-mile out-and-back trip and took about two hours with many photo stops. This adventure is for hikers who feel confident walking on rocky trails and who prefer avoiding other folks on the trail. If you meet that criteria, this is a great hike very close to St. George.

life populations threatened by development and habitat loss. It comprises 62,000 acres and has more than 130 miles of shared-use trails for hiking, horseback riding, and mountain biking. Three ecosystems—the Mojave Desert, the Great Basin Desert, and the Colorado Plateau—merge in southwestern Utah, and the Reserve reflects the biological diversity of this unique region.

My wife, Deb, and I began this adventure on a clear mid-October morning and arrived at the trailhead at about 9:30 AM. The trailhead has a large parking area without water or toilets. It is the starting point for three trails, Black Gulch Trail, High Point Trail, and Lange's Dugway Trail. The trailhead elevation is 4,170 feet, the temperature in the mid-60s, and the cloudless sky a deep blue as we geared up. Since High Point Trail is in the Red Cliffs Desert Reserve, there are no fees or permits necessary.



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**ADDAMS FAMILY THE MUSICAL** 7:30 PM. Nov. 4, 5, and 7, 7:30 PM. The Dixie High Theatre Department is proud to present The Addams Family a comical feast that embraces the wackiness in every family, features an original story and it's every father's nightmare. Dixie Auditorium, 350 E. 700 S., St. George. **CRITTERS, CRAFTS, AND COOKIES** Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, and Dec. 12, 1 PM. Join us for cookies and crafting with adorable adoptable critters at Best Friends Visitor Center. Best Friends Visitor Center, 235 S. 100 E., Kanab.

**REDROX MUSIC FESTIVAL** Nov. 4-5, 3 PM. Featuring music, poetry, and drag performances like you have never seen before! Our lineup features performers from marginalized genders and members of the LGBTQ+ community. The Friday night headliner is Chris Pureka from Portland and Saturday night is Ginger & the Gents from Salt Lake City! Bit & Spur, 1212 Zion Canyon Blvd., Springdale.

**WOW: WOMEN OUT WEST PROFESSIONAL ARTISTS OF UTAH** Nov. 4-11, 9 AM. WOW is an organization to gather Utah professional women artists. The Sears gathers biographies and other important information from each artist and hopes for a future book. The group meets yearly, hosted by Susan Bingham, owner of the Maynard Dixon Gallery and Thunderbird Foundation for the Arts in Mt. Carmel, Utah. 155 N. University Ave., St. George.

**AUTUMN ART SHOW** Nov. 4-9 AM. Come support our local artists! The Washington City Arts Council is pleased to present our Autumn Art Show, featuring a variety of fine art, 2D & 3D, from local artists in Washington, UT. From Oil Paintings to Ceramics and Watercolors to Fiber Art, there is bound to be something you will love. This event is FREE and open to the public. St. George, UT. Red Cliff Gallery, 220 N. 200 E., St. George.

**CHESS: THE MUSICAL** CHESS: THE MUSICAL Nov. 10-19, 7:30 PM. In this groundbreaking rock musical, the ancient game becomes a metaphor for romantic rivalries, competitive gamesmanship, super-power politics, and international intrigue. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct., Ivins.

**CANYON VIEW HIGH: HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL TUCK EVERLASTING** Nov. 17-19, 7 PM. Canyon View High School, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

**THE MORE THE MERRIER CHRISTMAS TOUR WITH DAVID ARCHULETA** Nov. 18-19, 7:30 PM. Tickets starting at \$39. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

**TALON CRAFT FAIR** Nov. 18-19, 5 PM. Talon Craft Fair held Friday 5 PM. Enjoy a day with food, craft vendors, live entertainment, and more. Admission is \$1. For information call visit [www.cvtalons.wixsite.com/talons](http://www.cvtalons.wixsite.com/talons). Canyon View High School, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

**CEDAR CITY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION** Nov. 11-12. Cedar City Birthday Celebration traditions will take place over several days with several activities. Begin the celebration with a Cedar City Scavenger Hunt and Plaque Dedication on Nov 11th (Cedar City Offices), birthday cake at the Orchestra of Southern Utah Patriotic Veterans Tribute, and Cedar City Anniversary performance on Nov 11th (7:30 PM in the Heritage Center Theater), and end it with Dutch Oven Cobbler on Nov 12 (11 AM. - 12 PM. at the Frontier Homestead State Park) Cedar City.

**THE GUILD "GIFT OF ART" SHOW ARTIST'S RECEPTION** Nov. 18-Dec. 15, 6 PM. The Southern Utah Art Guild's "The Gift of Art" show will feature many local artists in Southern Utah. We support our talented local artists and hope you will too by joining us at our awards reception held Friday, November 18, from 6-8 p.m. Live music and refreshments will be offered. Admission is free to the public. Red Cliff Gallery, 220 N. 200 E., St. George.

**CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY** Nov. 25-26, 10 AM. Don't miss this terrific Craft Bazaar! Located at the Iron County Fair Building. Beautiful crafts of all types. Get your Holiday shopping in early! County Fair Building, 60 E. 500 N. Clinic Way, Parowan.

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**HOLIDAY TREE JUBILEE** Nov. 26, 28, 29, and Dec. 3, 5 PM. \$25 Family Donation. Come see Santa and an amazing display of decorated Christmas trees to help kick off the holiday season! All proceeds go to our local kids and teens in need. Along with Santa and the Holiday Trees, everyone can enjoy FREE professional Christmas photographs, FREE hot chocolate, dozens of Christmas trees to view and WIN, auction items, children's area, and much more! For information visit them on Facebook: /holidaytreejubilee or call (435) 531-9138. Funds raised will go to local Homeless and At-Risk Teens and other local children and families who need a little extra help at Christmas. Heritage Center Theatre, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

**DICKENS CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL** Nov. 30–Dec. 3, 10 AM. The Festival is created to bring you the best selling experience of the year. Delighted guests will wind through narrow village streets as they shop for their gifts. They will be amazed to see our "Olde London" come to life. Be part of the success and experience The Festival first hand. So put on a top hat or hoop skirt and join us! Dixie Convention Center, 1835 S. Convention Center Dr., St. George.

**RETURN TO THE MAGIC** Dec. 1–3, 6 PM. Internationally acclaimed musician Kurt Bestor performs his annual Christmas Concert "Return to the Magic" with surprise guests. Tickets \$40/\$10 Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct., Ivins.

**"HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS" CHRISTMAS CONCERT, SOUTHERN UTAH HERITAGE CHOIR** Dec. 2–3, 7:30 PM. Two Christmas concerts by the Southern Utah Heritage Choir will feature performances from recording artists, the Truman Brothers. Ben and Chad Truman are the sons of Grammy-winning, and St. George native, Dan Truman of Diamond Rio fame. The Heritage Choir concerts include both new and traditional Christmas music, plus several of the Truman Brothers' hits. Tickets are \$20/per person at HeritageChoir.org. Crimson Cliffs High School Auditorium, 4430 S. Crimson Cliffs Way, Washington.

**THE RIDE AT CASABLANCA** Nov. 2–6, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. Singing a great variety of classic rock. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

**GLEN GALLARDE PROJECT AT CASABLANCA** Nov. 9–13, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. Former Star Search vocalist Glenn Gallarde and the band, specializes in bringing a show of Top 40's, Dance and all Rock Anthems of the 60's, 70's, 80's, 90's and to the present day. Free. 21 or older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

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

**TERRY WAYNE PROJECT AT CASABLANCA** Nov. 23–27, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. R&B, funk, dance, oldies, and classic rock. Free admission. 21 or older. Skydome Lounge, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

**THE RIDE AT CASABLANCA** Nov. 30–Dec. 4, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. Singing a great variety of classic rock. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

**KARAOKE WITH "GAYLE LOUISE"** 5 PM. Karaoke Funnnnn with "Gayle Louise" Tuesday's and Wednesday's (702) 345-6747. PEGGY SUE'S DINER. 380 N. Sandhill Blvd, Mesquite.

## Events by Date

### TUESDAYS

**MAKE ART TUESDAYS** 11 AM. Everyday is better when you make art! Join us every Tuesday from 11–Noon to create unique projects that you can take home. St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St., St. George.

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

**TRAUMA & LOSS WOMEN'S GROUP** 6 PM. Trauma & Loss Group for Women St. George, UT 84770, 640 E. 700 S., STE 101, St. George.

**THE GRACEFUL WOMAN** 6:30 PM. Tuesday nights are now open to Women of all ages for a wonderful night of specialized teachings to empower, uplift, heal, strengthen and teach. Kundalini Yoga offers unique, transformative guidance for women to stay healthy both in body, mind and heart. Pregnant mommas are welcome, teenagers welcome, young and old are welcome! Fruit and Yogi Tea will be served after class. Bring your girlfriends, your daughters, your aunts, your mother and grandmother. By Donation \$5–\$11. Sage Hills Healing Center, 6232 W. Sage Hills Dr., Cedar City.

**WEDNESDAYS**

**STORY TIME WITH MRS. MANN** 10 AM Washington County Library, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

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

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

**KARAOKE AT BEAVER DAM BAR** 5:30 PM. Every Wednesday with Gayle Louise (SAME TIME as Mesquite) (435) 229-9725. 411 Co Hwy 91, Littlefield.

**BINGO WEDNESDAY AT THE GRILLE** 6–8 PM. Free. There will be prizes given to all the winners. Sand Hollow Resort, 5662 W. Clubhouse Dr., Hurricane.

**SINGER'S CLUB LIVE** 6 PM. Open mic, sing, guitar, or grand piano. Facebook "Singer's Club" like our Facebook and watch the livestream every Wednesday night. Contact us if you want to perform. Gentry Music & Arts, 771 S. Bluff St., St. George.

### THURSDAYS

**TOPS (TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY)** 4 PM. Support group helping you focus on making small, steady lifestyle changes with "Real People-Real Weightloss. Call (435) 669-7172 or visit www.tops.org Pioneer Museum, 145 N. 100 E., St. George.

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

**KARAOKE B-I-N-G-O!** 6:30 PM. Karaoke B-I-N-G-O! with "Gayle Louise". Two ways to win! Not based on talent. SING-PLAY-WIN! "KORAL KAFE Night As Well Lounge" (435) 627-6262. 2400 N. Town Center Dr. Washington.

**JOYFUL YOGA** 6:30 PM. An all Levels, all Ages class for anyone and everyone! Get your Joy on with Kundalini Yoga and Meditation as taught by Yogi Bhajan. Mantra, Mudra, Breathing, Movement all with a specific intention to elevate and synchronize your energy, physical and mental bodies to Meditate. Yogi tea and fresh fruit served after each class. By donation. \$5 to \$11. Sage Hills Healing Center, 6232 W. Sage Hills Dr., Cedar City.

**KARAOKE NIGHT AT SAND HOLLOW RESORT** 7:30 PM. Every Thursday night. Located in the Grille. Prizes available. Sand Hollow Resort, 5662 W. Clubhouse Dr., urricane.

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

### SATURDAYS

**ST. GEORGE FARMERS MARKET** 8 AM. The Farmers Market at Vernon Worthen Park is a free event, held every Saturday, from 8 AM. to 12 noon. The event is held every Saturday through the end of December. Vernon Worthen Park, 300 S. 400 E., St. George.

**SWEET PEA FARM & ORCHARD FARM BREAKFAST** 8 AM Every Saturday from 8 AM.–12 PM. all summer long. Sweet Pea Farm & Orchard, 136 S. 600 W., Parowan.

**BEST FRIENDS GENTLE YOGA** 9 AM. Join us for a 45-minute gentle yoga class for all levels and ages at Best Friends Roadhouse and Mercantile Best Friends Roadhouse and Mercantile, 30 N. 300 W., Kanab.

**CEDAR CITY FARMERS MARKET** 9 AM.–1 PM. Come for the farmers, food, and artisans as well as drawings, bingo, and more! For information visit them on Facebook, Cedar Saturday Market, or call Nancy (435) 463-3735. IFA, 905 S. Main St., Cedar City.

**TUACAHN SATURDAY MARKET** 9 AM. A fun craft festival set in a beautiful and scenic canyon. Every Saturday morning we have live entertainment, crafters, vendors, food and fun. In the event of rain, we cozy up under the cover of the Tuacahn Amphitheater plaza. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

**FESTIVAL CITY FARMERS MARKET** 10 AM. Every Saturday behind 1/G Winery. Free admission. The Festival City Farmers Market offers the bounty of local farmers and backyard gardeners who grow organically year-round. Come and support local farmers by buying fresh and local year-round. Shop locally produced and grown fruit, vegetables, cheese, jam, bread, eggs, honey, farm products, and more. 45 W. University Blvd/Center St., Cedar City.

**MONTHLY LAWNMOWER RACES** 10 AM. The first Saturday of each month starting at 10 AM Arizona time, and joining in for karaoke four nights a week, Wednesday through Saturday, beginning at 5 PM at the Beaver Dam Bar. 411 N. Old Highway 91, Littlefield.

**TAI CHI DRAGON QIGONG AT SANTA CLARA LIBRARY** 10:30–11:30 AM. Full-body energetic healing. Admission is free. No experience needed. Tai Chi Dragon Qigong is good for all ages and all levels of health and mobility. Santa Clara Library, 1099 N. Lava Flow Dr., Santa Clara.

**TINKER LAB** 11 AM. Tinkerlab is the museum's newest weekly class offered to museum guests. In this class kids will get the chance to experiment, and learn new skills. Tinkerlab activities will normally be crafted for groups ages 5+, but all are welcome to come "tinker" with us! Tinkerlab will be held on each Saturday of the month. Participation is included with your admission price. St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St., St. George.

**SATURDAY MOVIE MATINEE AT ST. GEORGE LIBRARY** 2 PM. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

**COLE SHERRATT** 5 PM. Cole Sherratt is a pop, rock, and R&B musician entertainer, show producer, songwriter, and vocalist who is based in Las Vegas, Nevada. He's been featured on HBO, NBC Sing Off Live Tour, seen routinely at MGM and Caesars casino properties and has toured internationally with Disney, Norwegian Cruise lines, spirit productions, and AMResorts. Bumbleberry Theatre, 897 Zion Park Blvd, Springdale.

## Events by Date

### Fri, Nov 4

**ARVEL BIRD–JOURNEY OF PAIUTE** 7 PM. Arvel Bird weaves a powerful tapestry, reflecting his mixed-blood American Indian and Celtic heritages. With his violin, fiddle, Native flutes, and Irish whistles, his compositions and performances are a confluence of styles from Celtic, bluegrass, his original Native American folk, and Celtic rock. Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

**VINYL FUSION AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR** 8 PM. Vinyl Fusion is a cover band based out of St. George. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

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

### Sat, Nov 5

**THE FAB FOUR** 7:30 PM. Tickets starting at \$19. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

**FREE LANDSCAPE WORKSHOP: TREES** 10 AM. Learn about planting and caring for trees in our desert climate. Class participants will go home with one (1) free tree per household. Tree varieties include mesquite, palo verde, acacias, desert willows, and oak. Trees are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Washington County Water Conservancy District, 533 E. Waterworks Dr, St. George.

**ACRYLIC POUR PAINTING DEMONSTRATION** 1 PM. Washington City Arts Council offers a live Acrylic Pour demonstration by experienced artist Leslie Murphy. Fluid art has a mind of its own. It's fun to watch the "cells" grow and colors come to life almost magically. This event is FREE, but seating is limited. Light refreshments will be provided. Red Cliff Gallery, 220 N. 200 E., St. George.

**SOIREE MUSICALE PIANO TRIO** 7:30 PM. The famous "Archduke" and "Dumky" Piano Trios of Beethoven and Dvorak will be performed by pianist Christian Bohnenstengel, violinist Urs Rutishauser, and cellist, Ka-Wai Yu. Post social after the event to meet the artists. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct., Ivins.

**ON THE TRAIL OF THE JACKALOPE - READING & PERFORMANCE BY MICHAEL P. BRANCH** 7:30 PM. Join Michael Branch for the never-before-told story of the horned rabbit—the myths, hoaxes, the very real scientific breakthrough it inspired—and how it became a cultural touchstone of the American West. Canyon Community Center, 126 Lion Blvd., Springdale.

**DJ BUELLER DECADES DANCE PARTY 70'S–00'S AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR** 8 PM. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

**APOLLO'S ARMY AT MIKE'S TAVERN** 9 PM. Apollo's Army is a band that specializes in all forms of rock music. Having a background in all genres and decades of music, Apollo's Army offers a diverse sound with something for everybody to bang their head or tap their foot to. 90 W. Hoover Ave., Cedar City.

### Sun, Nov 6

**AUSTIN "STINO" MARIANO AT GEORGE'S CORNER** 6 PM. Variety. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

### Mon, Nov 7

**PAWS FOR TALES—READ TO A DOG** 4 PM. Children can read to registered therapy dogs. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

**VIRGIN VALLEY AMATURE RADIO CLUB** 6 PM. The Virgin Valley Amateur Radio Club holds meetings on the second Monday of each month. For more information please go to our website at: www.vvarc.net. Airport Fire Station #3, Mesquite.

### Tues, Nov 8

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

### Thurs, Nov 10

**HARRY BERTOIA FOUNDATION OPEN HOUSE** 4 PM. Celebrate at the Harry Bertoia Foundation open house! Experience a Sonambient Concert, sit in a Bertoia chair, enjoy the petting zoo of tonals. Visit an unusual art gallery to have an uncommon experience. Door prizes! T-shirts for veterans! Call 435 673-2355. Harry Bertoia Foundation gallery, 1449 N. 1400 W., Ste 11, St. George.

**CEDAR SKIES AT GEORGE'S CORNER** 6 PM. Americana. George's Corner Restaurant and Pub, 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

**OSU—TRADITIONS** 7:30 PM. As every piece of true treasure is unique, so is every piece of music. The variety of classical styles is vast and rich, painting musical portraits of all characters and emotions from landscapes worldwide. Zou Long's "King Chu Doffs His Armour" Concerto for Pipa, featuring bassoonist Ben Bradshaw, depicts a masterful warrior of ancient China in battle, and then in defeat as well as Rimsky Korsokov's Capriccio Espagnol and Hugo Afven's Swedish Rhapsody. Heritage Center Theatre, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

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# CALENDAR

**Fri, Nov 11**

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**PANGUITCH HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR** Triple C Arena, 50 800 N., Panguitch.

**VETERANS DAY DINNER** 1 PM. Panguitch.

**VETERAN'S DAY CONCERT** 7 PM. Admission is FREE. Bring your friends and family and enjoy the Master Singers in concert again. Masks are optional. Festival Hall/Heritage Center Conference Center, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

**KATHERINE IRISH - PASTEL PAINTER PRESENTATION** 7 PM. Katherine Irish is an award-winning pastel artist who has painted the skylines of New Mexico for over 30 years. Katherine is honored to be residing for a month in Zion and is excited to share a special presentation for our community. This event is FREE! Please come and enjoy! For more information, go to: [zarts.org](http://zarts.org) Rockville Community Center, 43 E. Main St., Rockville.

**POSTMODERN JUKEBOX** 7:30 PM. Tickets starting at \$20 Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

**BILL ENGVALL** 7:30 PM. Tickets starting at \$50. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

**PRENDELO LATIN NIGHT** 8 PM. Blues Katz Rock n' Roll Bar. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

**IDENTITY CRISIS AT MIKE'S TAVERN** 90 W. Hoover Ave., Cedar City.

**Sat, Nov 12**

**DIXIE HIGH: SOUTHERN UTAH STRING FEST** Football Field Dixie High School, 350 E. 700 S., St. George.

**SECOND SATURDAYS AT SUMA** 2 PM. Formerly known as Family Day, this series of events is for families and friends in the community of all ages. The planned activities are geared toward people of all ages and backgrounds, and this event is free and open to the public. Southern Utah Museum of Art, 13 S. 300 W., Cedar City.

**DESERT REIGN AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR** 8 PM. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

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

**Sun, Nov 13**

**FAST EDDIE AT GEORGE'S CORNER** 6 PM. Live. Classic Rock. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

**Mon, Nov 14**

**WINTER CONCERT SERIES - RON STUBBS ROCK & ROLL HYPNOTIST** 7 PM. The Winter Concert Series is a festive celebration of wonderful music that brings the community of all ages together for an exciting night! This NEW series runs October through January monthly at the Electric Theater (68 E. Tabernacle St.). Seating is first come first served. FREE to the public. Donations appreciated. Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

**Tues, Nov 15**

**LOSS-LOVED ONES SUICIDE SURVIVORS LOSS** 7 PM. The support group meets continuously throughout the year on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. We are an open, free, peer-led Support Group for adults 18 years and older. We encourage people from neighboring towns and all of Washington County to attend. Have questions? Reach out to May Bradley at [maybradley@gmail.com](mailto:maybradley@gmail.com). (801)815-7854. No Registration. St. George, 162 N. 400 E., Suite B200, St. George.

**DANCING WITH YOUR COMMUNITY STARS** 7 PM. This event will feature the "community stars" of Iron County and they will be paired with an experienced partner, from the SUU Ballroom Dance Team. Presented by the Children's Justice Center of Iron County. Tickets are \$15 each or \$50 for a family of four. For information and tickets call (435) 867-4275. All benefits go to the Iron County Children's Justice Center. Festival Hall/Heritage Center Conference Center, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

**Wed, Nov 16**

**SOUTHERN UTAH LADIES SOCIETY MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING** 6 PM. Southern Utah Ladies Society is a non-profit group of volunteers dedicated to making a difference in our community. We host fundraising events to raise money for under-served organizations providing much-needed services. We also plan monthly service projects where we volunteer as a group. St. George Area Chamber of Commerce, 136 N. 100 E., St. George.

**THE ALTERNATE CURRENTS** 7 PM. Southern Utah University is excited to introduce its new commercial music ensemble "Alternate Currents". This group plays an assortment of R&B/Pop cover songs and original tunes. The Commercial Music program is part of the music department curriculum at SUU. Bumbleberry Theatre, 897 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

**Thurs, Nov 17**

**TEEN BOOK CLUB** 3:30 PM. Teen Book Club Washington County Library System, 36 S. 300 W., Hurricane.

**PAWS FOR TALES—READ TO A DOG** 4 PM. Children can read to registered therapy dogs. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

**BOOK ENDS BOOK CLUB** 4:30 PM. Meet's on the third Thursday of every month. Washington County Library System, 220 N. 300 E., Washington.

**MR. OK AT GEORGE'S CORNER** 6 PM. Cool looping vibes. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

**Fri, Nov 18**

**CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL** Triple C Arena, 50 800 N., Panguitch.

**FAST EDDIE AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR** 8 PM. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

**FENWICK WAY AT MIKES TAVERN** 9 PM. 90 W. Hoover Ave., Cedar City.

**Sat, Nov 19**

**DIXIE HIGH: ZION YOUTH ORCHESTRA CONCERT** Auditorium. Dixie High School, 350 E. 700 S., St. George.

**THE BLACK MOODS W/ROYAL BLISS** 7 PM. \$20. 21 and over. One & Only, 64 N. 800 E #2, St. George.

**OSU: FALL CONCERT** 7:30 PM. Admission is \$8 for adults & \$5 for students. Information and tickets are available at [www.myosu.org](http://www.myosu.org). Festival Hall / Heritage Center Conference Center, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

**GROOVONIX (ZIONOIZ) AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR** 8 PM. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

**ACOUSTIC ADVENTURE BAND AT MIKES TAVERN** 90 W. Hoover Ave., Cedar City.

**Sun, Nov 20**

**NICK ADAMS AT GEORGE'S CORNER** 6 PM. Nick Adams is a singer/songwriter based out of St. George. Music from the Mothership. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

**Wed, Nov 23**

**BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** 7 PM. Book Discussion Group Washington County Library System, 126 Lion Blvd., Springdale.

**Fri, Nov 25**

**READER'S CIRCLE BOOK CLUB** 3 PM. Reader's Circle Book Club Washington County Library System, 36 S. 300 W., Hurricane.

**PRENDELO LATIN NIGHT** 8 PM. Blues Katz Rock n' Roll Bar. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

**RIVERHOUSE AT MIKE'S TAVERN** 90 W. Hoover Ave., Cedar City.

**Sat, Nov 26**

**FFA CHRISTMAS TREE FUNDRAISER** Cedar High School, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

**MARJI MOZART BAND AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR** 8 PM. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

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

**Sun, Nov 27**

**CRAFT FAIR BEAVER CITY OFFICE 10 AM. Beaver.**

**CHRIS BENDER AT GEORGE'S CORNER** 6 PM. Blues, Classic Rock, Folk & Alternative. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

**Mon, Nov 28**

**JAZZ & PERCUSSION CONCERT** 7:30 PM. Cedar High School, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

**Tues, Nov 29**

**CLIMATE CHANGE: WE'RE OUT OF TIME PRESENTED BY ROGER ROOS** 6:30 PM., Optional social hour 7:30 PM. While the effects of human activities on Earth's climate to date are irreversible on the timescale of humans alive today, every little bit of avoided future temperature increases results in less warming that would otherwise persist for essentially forever. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct., Ivins.

**Thurs, Dec 1**

**JOY TO THE WORLD! A SACRED CELEBRATION - JENNY OAKS BAKER & FAMILY FOUR, FT. ALEX SHARPE & JASON F. WRIGHT** 7 PM. Celebrate Christmas with Jenny Oaks Baker & her talented children, musical group Family Four as they present an inspiring Christmas show. Cox Performing Arts Center, 325 S. 700 E., St. George.

**CHRISTMAS LIGHT CONTEST** Panguitch City, Panguitch.

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**CHAPTER 1 BOOK CLUB** 5:30 PM. Chapter 2 Book Club Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

**JACK KELLY DUNN AT GEORGE'S CORNER** 6 PM. Free. Contemporary rock. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

**Fri, Dec 2**

**MOST WANTED BAND AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR** 8 PM. Playing classic rock, disco, oldies, country, and everything in between. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

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

**Sat, Dec 3**

**CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY/ SANTA'S VISIT** 10 AM. Panguitch City, Panguitch.

**SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL** 1 PM. Come enjoy holiday treats, crafts, and a visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Elementary School students can earn money for their school just by attending. Admission is FREE. For information call (435) 586-4874. Stratum Real Estate Office, 365 S. Main St., Cedar City.

**SIMPLY THREE** 7:30 PM. Cox Performing Arts Center, 325 S. 700 E., St. George.

**DJ BUELLER DECADES DANCE PARTY 70'S-00'S AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR** 8 PM. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

**REALITY CHECK AT MIKE'S TAVERN** 90 W. Hoover Ave., Cedar City.

**Sun, Dec 4**

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

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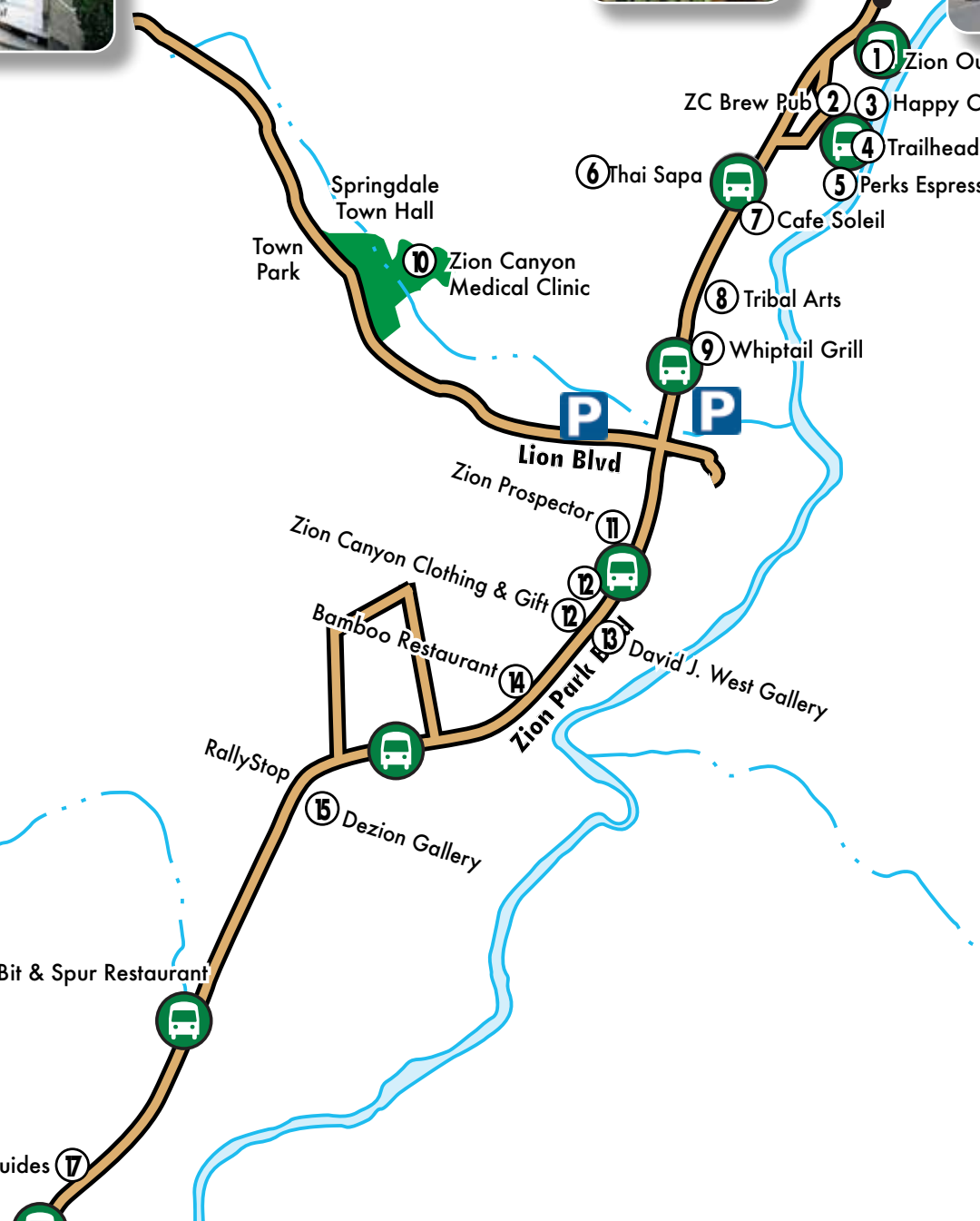
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**P** Paid parking lots can be found on Lion Blvd, behind Whiptail Grill Restaurant at 445 Zion Park Blvd, and a number of other locations throughout Springdale.

Other spots of note in Springdale include the library (located on Lion Boulevard, next to Town Hall), tennis/pickleball courts (also on Lion Blvd), and the Virgin River, which has numerous loctions of access, but Riverside Park is one of the best.

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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
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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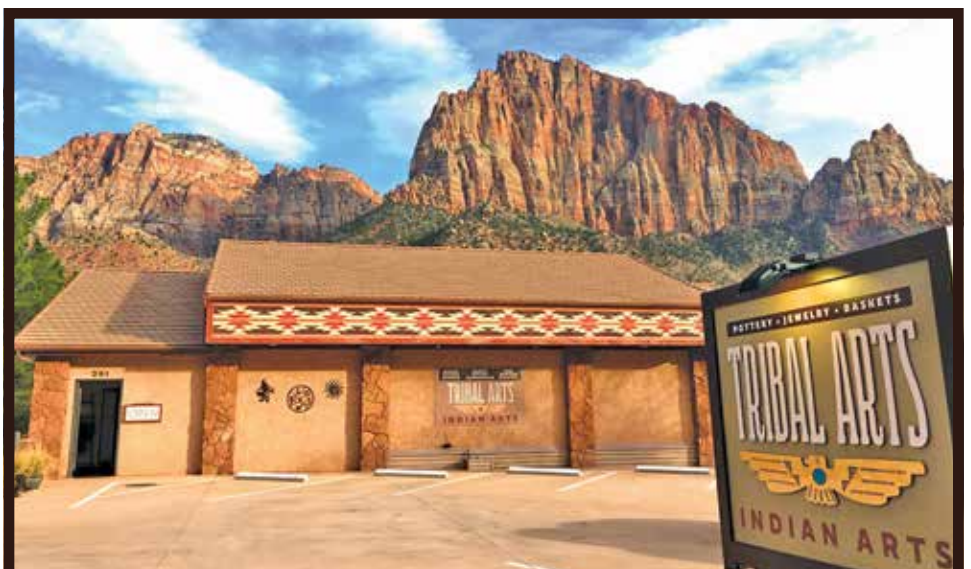
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## Top Things To Do In Zion

### Get some great hiking in

Zion National Park is known for its scenic landscape and unrivaled hikes. No matter your fitness level, there are hikes here for you. Please go to [ZionGuide.com](http://ZionGuide.com) to see the details on many area hikes.

### Spend a day in Springdale

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

### 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](http://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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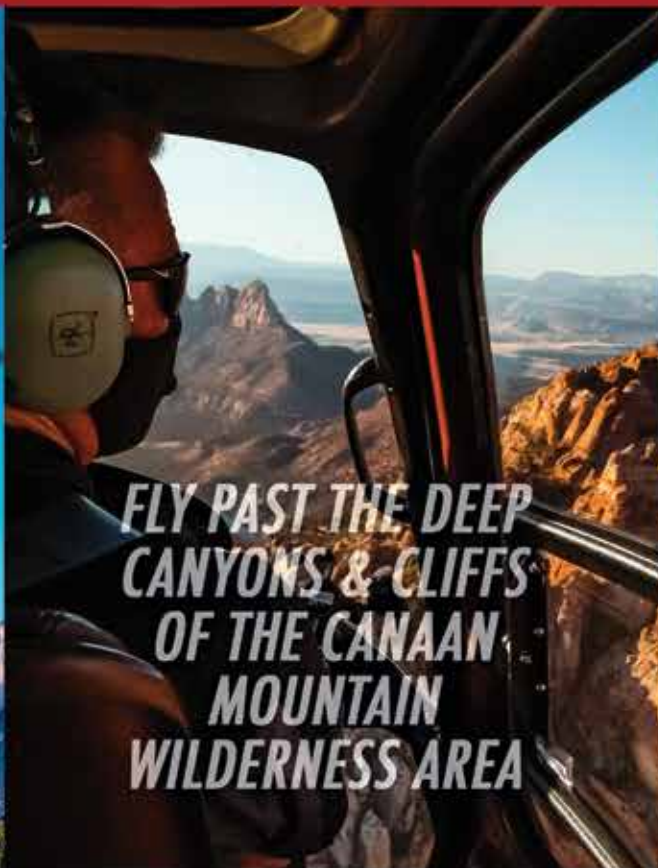


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# Zion National Park Shuttle Info

## SPRING OPERATIONS UPDATES FOR ZION NATIONAL PARK

### Important Shuttle Bus Information

The Zion Canyon Line, or park shuttle, runs from the visitor center up the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive to destinations like the Zion Lodge and trailheads, including Emerald Pools, West Rim Trail, and Temple of Sinawava where hikers depart for the Narrows. There are two shuttle routes, and both are free. See our Park Information Guide for a map of the park shuttle.

The Springdale Shuttle, or town shuttle, is located in the Town of Springdale. It stops at 9 locations in town and picks up and drops off visitors at the park's pedestrian/bike entrance.

### Background

The shuttle system was established in 2000 to eliminate traffic and parking problems, protect vegetation, and restore tranquility to Zion Canyon. In 2017, park shuttles estimated more than 6.3 million riders. In 1997, visitation was 2.4 million and increasing.

### When The Shuttle Is In Operation

The park is a big place, and you can drive yourself on all open park roads except the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive during the shuttle season when Scenic Drive is closed to private vehicles. Shuttle season is almost all year. Typically, shuttles run March through November, weekends in February and March, and the last week in December. See the current and upcoming schedule below. Explore the map of the park to see other roads you can drive. If you would like to visit the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive before or after the shuttles run each day, you may use a bicycle.

### Shuttle Schedule

Weekend-only shuttle service will resume on the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive from February 19 through March 18, 2022. Monday through Friday, private vehicles are allowed on the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive until all parking lots are full.

During shuttle operations, the last shuttle will arrive back at the Visitor Center around 45 minutes after it leaves the Temple of Sinawava. Do not wait until the last shuttle to leave Zion Canyon for the day. Due to limited capacity, the shuttle may be full by the time it reaches your stop, and you will be out of luck.

Shuttle Service will start in Springdale on March 19, 2022.

### How To Use The Shuttle System

The Zion Canyon Shuttle connects the Zion Canyon Visitor Center to stops at various locations on the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive. Shuttles leave every few minutes and are all the same, going to all shuttle stops on the route in both directions. You may get on and off at any shuttle stop in either direction. The shuttle is free, but masks are required. Most visitors should start

at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center. If you are staying at the Zion Lodge, please begin by using the shuttle there. More details about the park shuttle, including open and closed shuttle stops, are featured on our Park Information Guide.

The Springdale shuttle operates similarly on the town route but is slightly less frequent. Shuttle Stop Map in the town of Springdale.

Parking is limited inside Zion, and all parking lots fill early in the day. Paid Parking is available in the town of Springdale.

Our website contains additional Traffic and Travel Tips, and you can tune your radio to 1610 AM for additional information when you arrive.



Please, no eating or smoking on the bus, beverages other than water are not allowed, and pets are not permitted on the shuttle buses.

Masks continue to be required when on the shuttle.

### Zion Shuttle Schedule

First bus into the canyon from the Zion Canyon Visitor Center  
Last shuttle leaves the Visitor Center  
Last bus out of the canyon from the Temple of Sinawava

### Starting Mar. 19

7:00 a.m.  
5:00 p.m.  
7:15 p.m.

### Springdale Shuttle Schedule

First shuttle leaves the Majestic View Lodge (Stop 9)  
Last shuttle leaves Zion Canyon Village (Stop 1)

### Starting Mar. 19

8:00 a.m.  
8:00 p.m.

Find more info on the shuttle system at [nps.gov](https://www.nps.gov).



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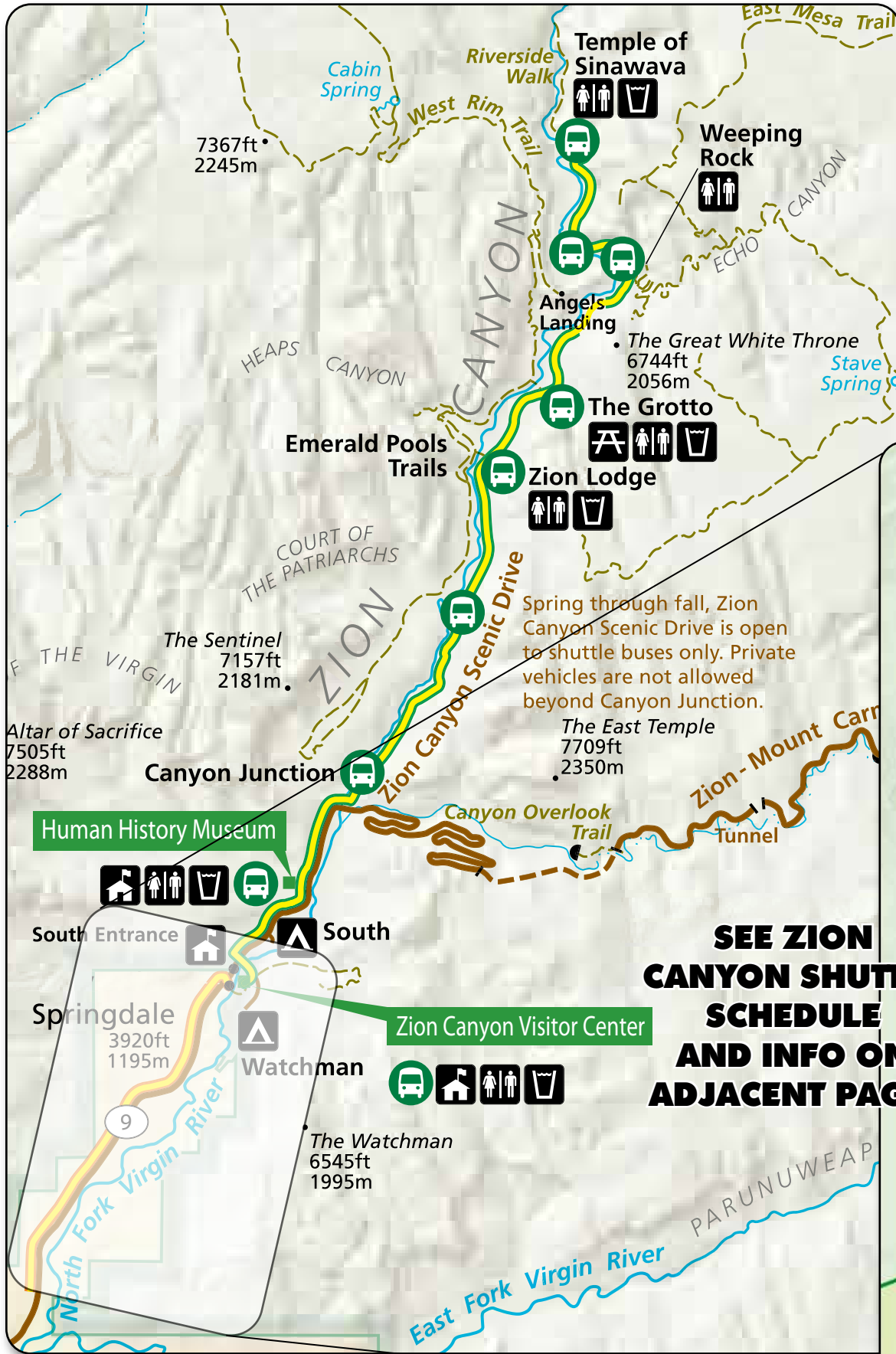
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# Zion Area Annual Events Calendar

**May-Oct. Kanab Outdoor Market**  
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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-Aug. DSU Summer Concert Series**  
Enjoy a variety of live performances by bands, orchestras and solo artists. Located at the O.C. Tanner Amphitheater, just outside of Zion National Park.

**June Maynard Dixon Country Campout**  
A 5-day gathering of artists and art lovers interested in the history of Western art and current Western painting.

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

**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.

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

**July Pioneer Day Celebration**  
Games, Dutch oven dinner at the park and a great costume parade celebrating pioneer heritage.

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

**August Kane County Fair**  
Offering many wonderful events for the whole family. Most of the events are free so 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 Oktoberfest**  
Art, food, live music and poetry, dancing, wagon rides, photography, games and activities for the kids, all on the main drag in Kanab. German food and activities.

**October Zion Rocktoberfest**  
Celebrate the start of fall in Zion mixed with traditional Oktoberfest aspects. The event will feature live rock and folk music and many other activities.

**Nov-Dec. Zion Joy to the World**  
Enjoy a wonderland of events in a weekend celebrating winter. Be a part of a community tree lighting, craft fairs, musical events and the fourth annual Light Parade.

**November Butch Cassidy 10K Run**  
This 10K/5K scenic race brings together community, and not just with running. Stay after for some Grafton fun with what is promised to be a party.

**November K-town Turkey Trot 5K**  
Taking place in Kanab on Thanksgiving morning, bring the whole family for this early morning fun run/walk to make room for that delicious dinner later in the day!

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

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

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

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

**December Z-Arts Gala**  
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# THE LOCALS' GUIDE TO HIKING PREPAREDNESS

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

In 2017, the National Park Service reported 324 search-and-rescue operations, which means 324 extremely unpleasant vacation experiences — nearly one a day. In 2014, the reported number was almost half that. 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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# Southern Utah State & National Parks

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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, reidside shiner, and mountain sucker. It has picnic areas and vault toilets. There is a fee for visiting the reservoir and no boat ramp.

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

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**PINE VALLEY** - Pine Valley Reservoir is a beautiful place for fishermen to fish brook trout and rainbow trout. The reservoir is near the Pine Valley Recreation Complex, which has over 150 campsites with picnic and restroom facilities. This area is greener than most other parts of southwestern Utah with pine and pinion trees, and many come to enjoy camping and hiking. It is west of the town of Central. (435) 652-3100.

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**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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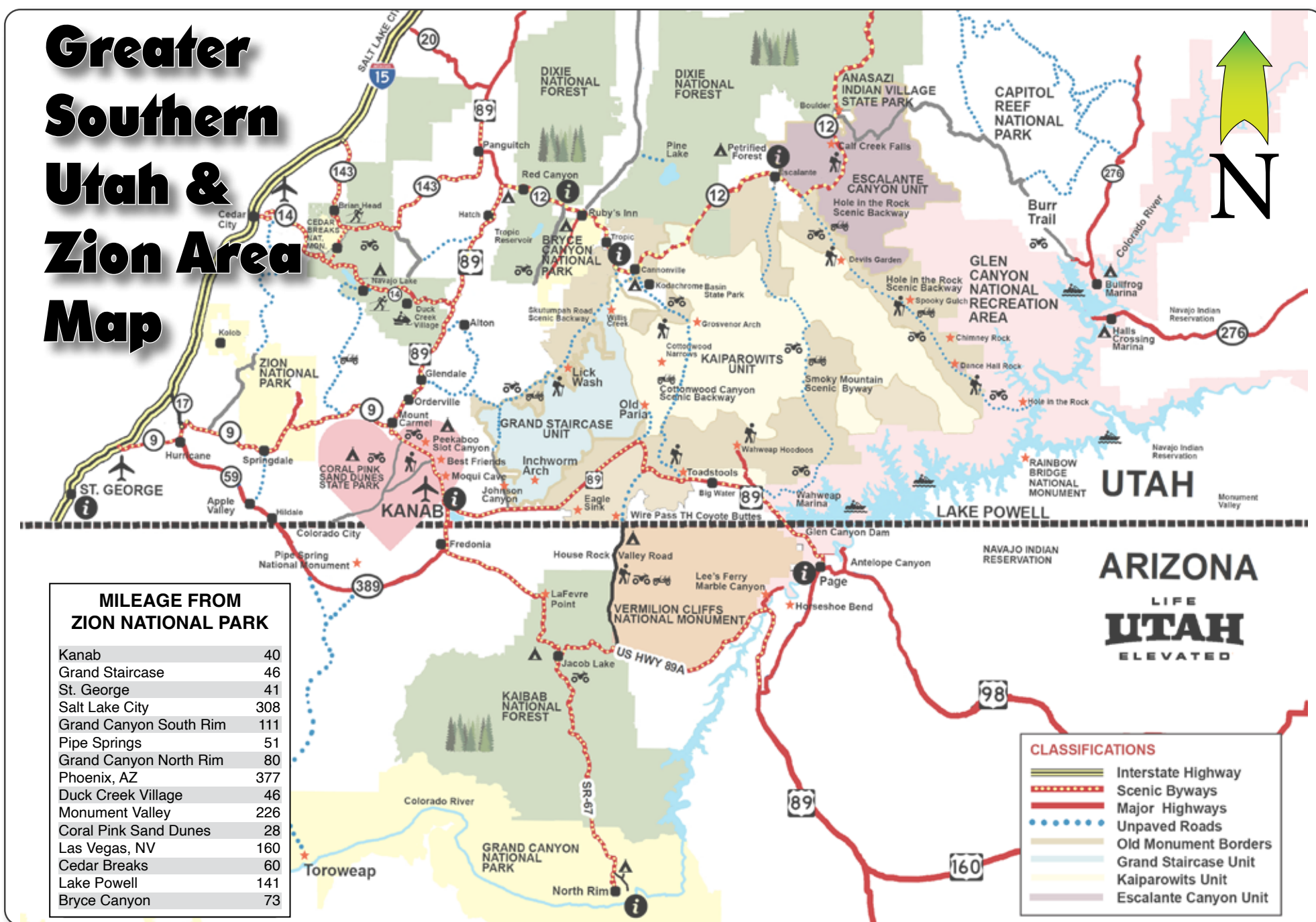
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## Trail Closures (as of March 1 '20)

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

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

### Northgate Peaks

By Don Gilman

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

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

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



Many Pools

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 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

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

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

### Hidden Canyon

By Bo Beck and Tanya Milligan

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

Once you are into the canyon, it is shady and surprisingly cool.

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

Please check with [nps.gov](http://nps.gov) for current conditions, restrictions, and access. Be careful and have fun!



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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 Trail

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



"Observation Point Revisited" - photo by David J West.

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 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.

### 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.

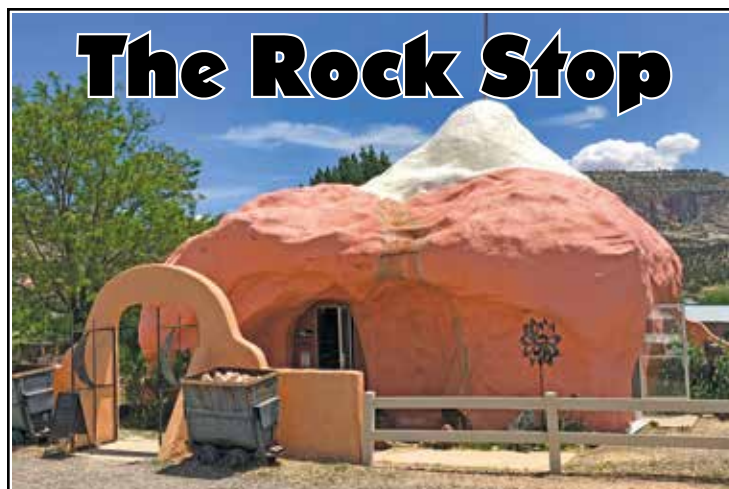
### Riverside Walk

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.

### 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.

You can find lots more hiking and other visitor information at [ZionGuide.com](http://ZionGuide.com) and [SUIndependent.com](http://SUIndependent.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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10 Small Town Sage	23 W Center St, Kanab	(435) 644-7627
11 Terry's Photo Shop	19 W Center St, Kanab	(435) 689-0443
2 The Rock Stop	385 W State St, Orderville	(435) 648-2747

To get your business on this map and directory please call Josh at 435-632-1555 for details.

# Iron Mission Days

## November 11-12

\$2 per person, \$8 per family (up to 8)

Vendors 9-5 Friday and Saturday

Demonstrations 10-4 Friday and Saturday

### Frontier Homestead State Park

635 N. Main Street Cedar City



# MOUNTAIN LOTS FOR SALE BY OWNER

2 adjacent view lots in Navajo Lake Estates in Duck Creek (Freshly surveyed)  
& 2 heavily wooded lots in Bryce Woodlands Estates

Either area is a short drive from Mesquite, St. George, Cedar City, or Kanab, and 15 to 25 degrees cooler! Duck Creek lots are all "off-grid" so no utilities available in area. Bryce Woodlands lots have power and internet available in area, no water hookups.

Parcel #s in Kane County: 27-7-71, 27-8-10, 75-27 & 75-28

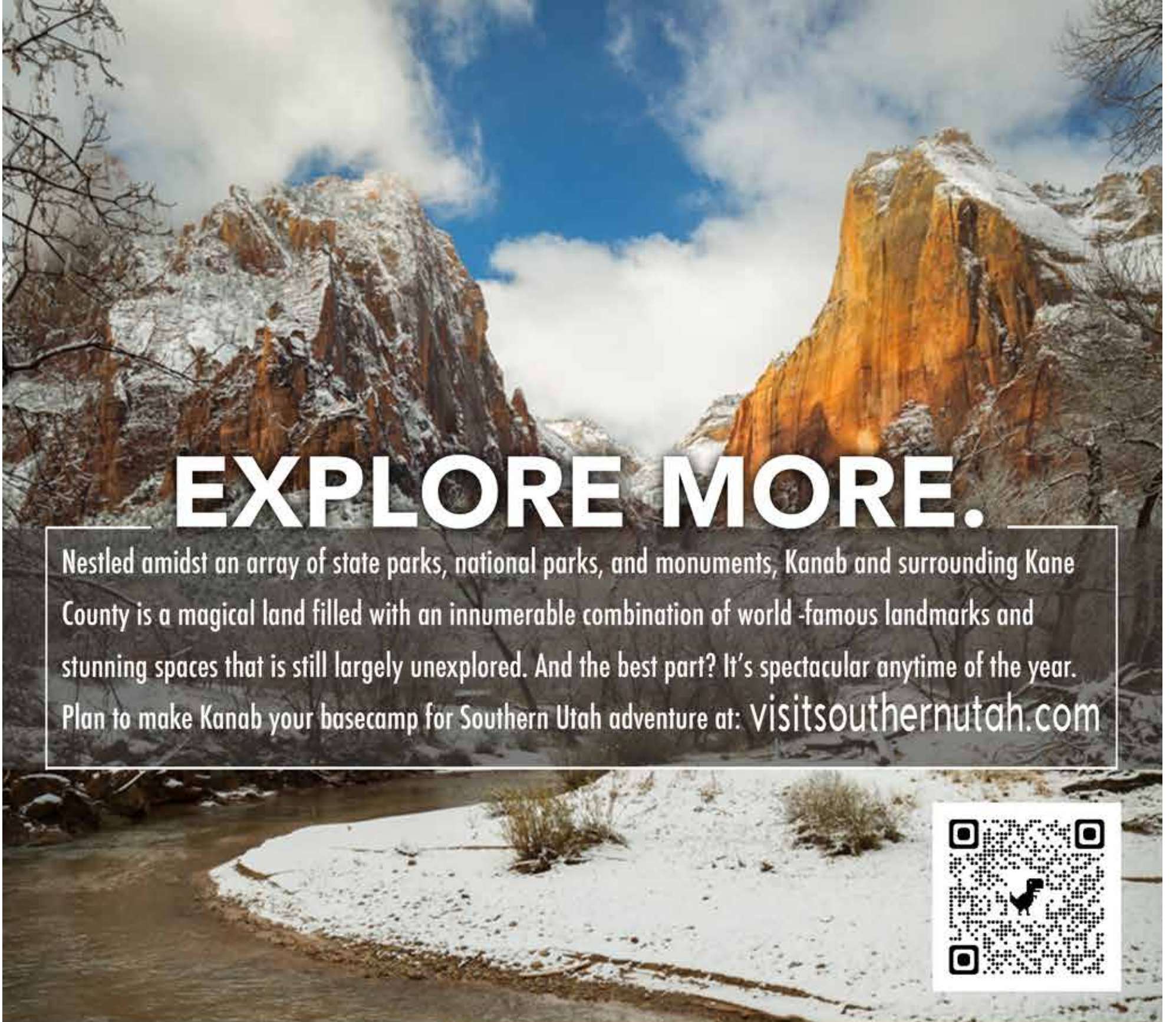
(Google Eagleweb Kane County Utah to see property details from the county)

**Only \$24,500 to \$27,000 each - Will consider seller financing!**

Call/text Josh at 435-632-1555 for more info or search Facebook for  
"Mountain Lots For Sale By Owners - Kane County, UT"

**NEW! Driveways/Pads have just gone in on all four lots!**





# EXPLORE MORE.

Nestled amidst an array of state parks, national parks, and monuments, Kanab and surrounding Kane County is a magical land filled with an innumerable combination of world-famous landmarks and stunning spaces that is still largely unexplored. And the best part? It's spectacular anytime of the year. Plan to make Kanab your basecamp for Southern Utah adventure at: [visitsouthernutah.com](http://visitsouthernutah.com)



## KANAB HOLIDAY KICKOFF SCHEDULE 2022

THEME: CHRISTMAS CLASSICS

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

- **K-Town Turkey Trot -**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

- **Black Friday -**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26**

- **Small Business Saturday -**
- 6:30 pm **Parade Lineup**
- 6:30 pm **Refreshments**
- 6:45 pm **Tree Lighting Ceremony**
- 7:00 pm **Christmas Light Parade**
- 7:30 pm **Lantern Launch**

**MONDAY, BEGINS NOVEMBER 28**

- **Polar Express -**  
Cowboy Christmas  
to Santa's Farm

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