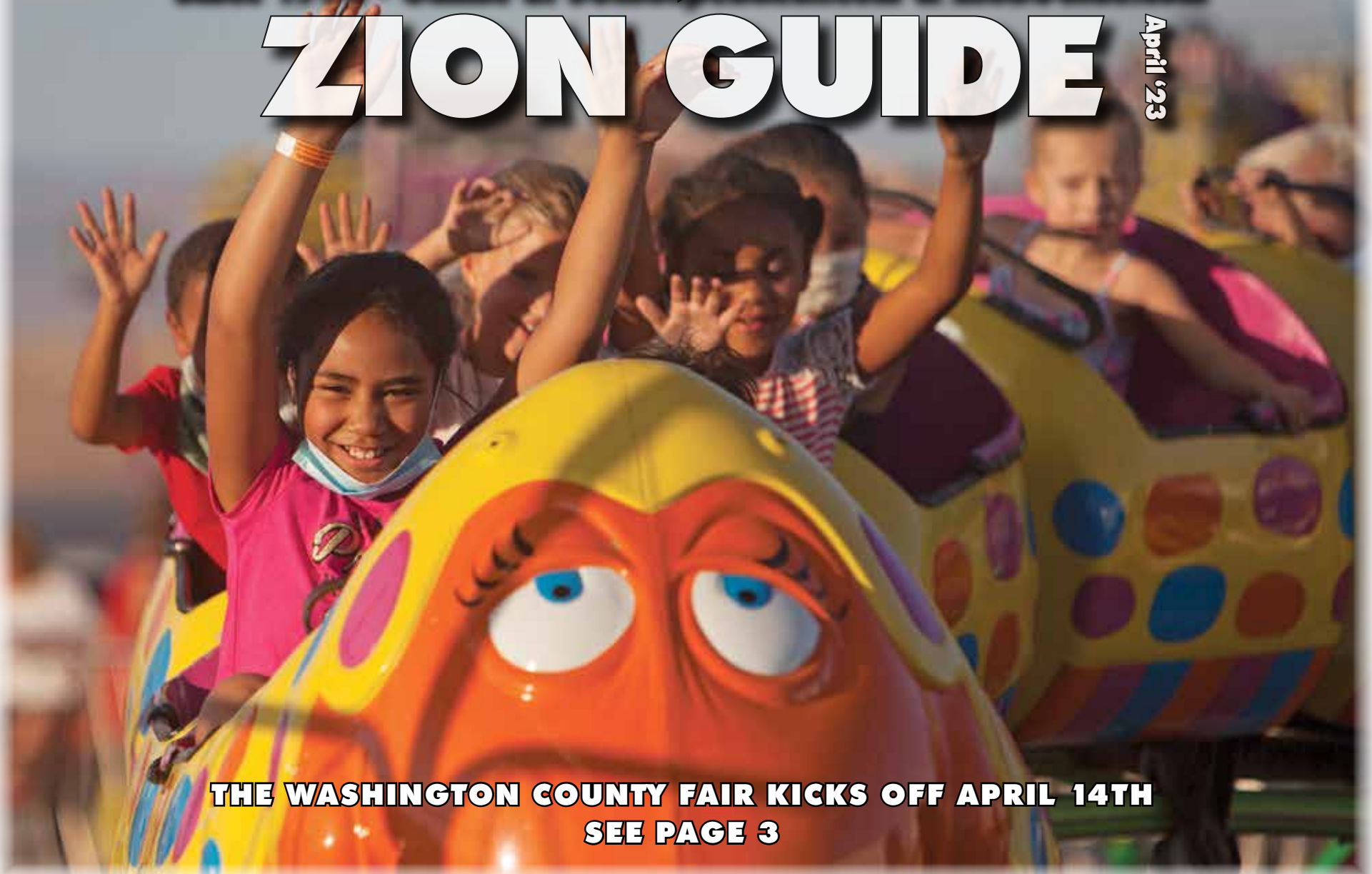


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THE WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR KICKS OFF APRIL 14TH
 By James McFadden

April 14th-22nd, 2023

If you haven't already heard, the Washington County Fair is just around the corner at its new earlier annual time slot! So hard to believe another year has come and gone and oh boy are you in for some serious fun and entertainment!

Just two short years ago, the fair set attendance records and saw southern Utah come together to celebrate after being locked up and locked out by COVID 19 and this year's fair is sure to be one for the record books with an amazing list of attractions and things to do. Like I always say, you're not going to be satisfied attending



just one day, you're seriously going to want to keep coming back day after day, so you don't miss a thing!

Here are just a few of the exciting things you can expect to enjoy this year!

The fair officially runs from April 13th to the 22nd, with a fun JR Rodeo on the 13th and a full-blown Rodeo kicking things into high gear on Friday, April 14th & 15th along with the Special Needs Rodeo at 11 AM that same Saturday.

If you're into Parades like our family is, you won't want to miss that on Tuesday, April 18th. It starts at the Washington City Community Center at 6 PM with a Fair Kick Off Celebration and goes on until 9 PM at Veterans Park. And, with that, the fun is just beginning!!

There's the Carnival, the Demolition Derby, a southern Utah tradition, a special Public Celebration to honor our Vietnam Veterans, Boxing, Live Music, a Petting Zoo, and Chris Janson will be with us live and in person to entertain your entire family. So

many great things await you this year so don't dilly dally, let's get a move on!

You can visit the fair's website right from your smartphone at www.washcofair.net/visit-the-fair/fair-schedule/ for a complete listing of events, concerts, contests, and attractions so you can start planning your multi-day experience today! Once there, you will find everything broken down into what's happening each day, fair hours, carnival hours, and you can even download and pre-print a map of the Fairgrounds so you can plan out your route as you walk through all of the amazing things that you're about to experience!

Are you still reading this? Why aren't you on your computer or phone yet? It's going to be here before you realize it and it's going to be over before you know it! So don't miss it or your kids will be crying about it all year long!

Once again, that website is washcofair.net We'll see you at the fair!



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR: SEASONS, TIME, & MISSED OPPORTUNITIES
 By James McFadden



If there is one thing we all learn as we get older, it's that time is not always on our side, no matter what Mick Jagger says.

Let's put things into perspective for a moment... It's been three years since the COVID shutdown...

Yea, three years. And how does this one sit... It's been 22 years since the first Harry Potter movie was released and the Simpsons have now been running for just over 33 years.

Time is relentless and doesn't wait for anyone to catch up. If you fall behind on anything, well, there is no pause button or anyone to hold your place in line.

So, now that I've gotten the bleak side of my thoughts out of the way, let's focus on what really matters.

How many of us have had a prompting to do something and we think to ourselves, I should really do that. Maybe I'll have time next Thursday. Yea, I'll try to do that next Thursday.

Well, Thursday comes and goes and, before you know it, five or six Thursdays have now passed you by and the reason you felt prompted in the first place has long since

been buried by other things that need your time and attention. Sometimes, the hardest thing to do is put what you're doing down and focus on those promptings.

I don't know about you, but this has been my number one challenge since the COVID shutdown. There are so many things I know I should be doing and that I truly want to be doing, but for some unknown reason, I just can't seem to muster up the gumption to get my motivation back on. But for me, I hope, writing this is going to be part of the process I put myself through to get back to getting on.

There was a time when I was quite active in our community. I loved being a part of so many great things and I still feel like

that should be a big part of my life. Maybe it's my age. In just a couple of years I'll hit 60 and while I hope I have another good 20 years to go, statistically I don't. And quite frankly, neither do you.

Life is a gift and it's often fleeting. There are so many good things we could be engaged in. So many opportunities to serve one another and to grow as humans. It's what I want to be doing, it's what I feel we should all be doing. Baby steps as they say... I hope these words are not just ink on paper, not for me or for you. For me it's an acknowledgement that it's time to get back to doing it. Ecclesiastes 3...



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"SOMETHING'S COOKING" AT HURRICANE THEATRICAL
By Aleina Lister

As Southern Utah shakes off the surprising onslaught of winter rain and snow to welcome the rebirth and warmth of spring, director Kyle Myrick and his crew announce "Something's Cooking" at Hurricane Theatrical and cannot wait to share it with the community.



Myrick expresses that after two years of large-scale productions for the community aimed at child audiences, he's also excited to give the adults in the community something to enjoy. With recent productions focused on spectacle, "The Spitfire Grill" focuses on the deeper meaning of the story.

Inspired by the 1996 film of the same name, the musical "The Spitfire Grill" follows Perchance, or Percy, Talbot (played by Haley-Shea Benoit), who is recently freed from prison and goes to Gilead, Wisconsin. This little town caught her eye in a magazine ad and became her hopes, dreams, and a safe haven. Upon her arrival to Gilead, the town Sheriff, Joe Sutter (James David), arranges for her to have a job and somewhere to stay, which coincidentally is the only place available: The Spitfire Grill. The tough and gruff owner of the Grill, Hannah Fergusson (Christine Hyatt), takes Percy in, much to the chagrin of her bossy nephew Caleb Thorpe (Caleb Christensen) and the

town's busybody Effy Krayneck (Carolyn Murset). Shortly after Percy arrives in Gilead, Hannah has an accident that leads Percy to take over the Grill with the help of Caleb's timid wife, Shelby. Fighting her



past and the scars it left, Percy helps those around her see how wonderful Gilead is, despite the hardships that the world has thrown its way, and helps the town and the individuals "Come Alive Again."

Kyle Myrick exclaims how important the story of "The Spitfire Grill" is and why our community needs it: "Contrary to other stories, the new character [Percy] doesn't come in and change the town, rather she helps others understand what they have in Gilead. Outside of the show, we need the same correlation; to appreciate all we have in our lives. Like the characters in the show, we are all our own worst enemies. We put ourselves in these self-imposed pris-



ons, made up of our challenges and dark moments. But we can let ourselves go; we don't have to live in our dark times, and our dark times don't define us."

Come see "The Spitfire Grill" at the Hurricane Fine Arts Center. This beautifully human show opens April 7th and closes May 6th, with performances on Mondays, Fridays, and Saturdays, including Saturday Matinees. For more information, go to www.hurricane-theatrical.com, or call 435-668-9753.

CENTER FOR THE ARTS AT KAYENTA PRESENTS: YOUR OPTIMISM IS NOT REQUIRED

With Team Sunshine Performance Philadelphia

Can you learn to have a positive outlook? And if you could, how would that change your life?

The Center for the Arts at Kayenta brings Southern Utah another professional, diverse, interactive, performance-based event. Your Optimism is not Required, is performed April 21-30th, 2023, at 7:30 PM, outside on the Walton Commons Plaza. Tickets are \$10 for children and students and \$35 for adults. Seating is General Admission for this outdoor event, centered around a small fire. Guests are welcome to bring a blanket if the night feels cold.

characters in the lives of Daughter and Dad: a biracial teenager and her white father on a camping trip confronting futures potentially shaped by environmental and societal crises.

Optimism is an original participatory theater piece from Team Sunshine Performance (Philadelphia). Inspired by renowned Buddhist ecologist Joanna Macy's work Active Hope: How to Face the Mess We're in Without Going Crazy, OPTIMISM is an original piece of participatory theater from Team Sunshine Performance that aims to move despair, anxiety, and hopelessness from immobilizing obstacles to animating forces of human connection.



Join us to experience a unique and thoughtful moment around a campfire suspended in time. Explore parenting and being parented in the face of planetary crisis, along with an invitation to share s'mores. This intimate, outdoor performance, facilitated workshop, and communal gathering are all woven into an experience illuminating how we might move immobilizing despair about our world into collective hope and action. The event asks participants to ponder the question, "How can we dream about the future when it feels so heavy" and aims to move despair, anxiety, and hopelessness from immobilizing obstacles to animating forces of human connection.

Your Optimism is not Required was developed, in part, with assistance from the Orchard Project (www.orchardproject.com), Ari Edelson, Artistic Director. Development support for this project was provided through the 2020 Trade School residency hosted by The Philadelphia Thing, and Art is Essential: A Project of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority's Fund for Art and Civic Engagement with support from the Knight Foundation. This performance is part of the City of Philadelphia's Arts in Action initiative managed by the Office of Arts, Culture, and the Creative Economy. Support is provided by the Philadelphia Cultural Fund, Puffin Foundation, and John S. and James L. Knight Foundation.

Your Optimism is not Required, takes place at an intimate, outdoor performance site encircling a campfire. Guided by two performers, the audience comes to embody

For more information, visit www.KayentaArts.com or call the box office at (435) 674-2787.

15TH ANNUAL BEAVER DAM JAM – THE HEART OF COMMUNITY

May 5-7, 2023, at the Beaver Dam Station and Bar

Driving by the Beaver Dam Station and Bar, you might not think to stop if you don't live in Beaver Dam, Arizona; but you would be missing a lot!

Here you will find the center of the Beaver Dam community, the heart. Beaver Dam Station and Bar has operated in Beaver Dam, Arizona, for over 40 years. It serves as the local grocery store, and Beaver Dam Bar next door as a local gathering place where lifetime friendships are formed. Owned and operated by Bill Evans since 1979, its doors are open to all. Bill has held annual dinners for Thanksgiving and Christmas at no cost to patrons. These are in addition to the many barbeques and potluck dinners (Bill provides the main dishes) held for birthdays, Halloween, other holidays such as Memorial Day and Fourth of July, and celebrations of life when friends and loved ones have passed.

Looking for fun? You will find it at the monthly lawnmower races the second Saturday of each month (except during the Jam, which is the first Saturday in May) starting at 10 AM Arizona time, or joining in for karaoke two nights a week, Wednesday and Friday nights, beginning at 6 PM at the Beaver Dam Bar.

Another annual event that folks from St. George, Utah to Mesquite, Nevada, and beyond have anticipated and enjoyed for 15 years (with the exception of 2020 due to COVID) is the Beaver Dam Jam, a 3-day music festival featuring local and regional bands, on multiple stages, coming from as far as Oklahoma and from California, Nevada, and Utah, and showcasing all different genres (country, rock-n-roll, reggae, folk).

For 2023, The Beaver Dam Jam music festival will be held Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, May 5, 6, and 7, 2023. In addition to the music festival of bands, there will be artisans and other vendors displaying and selling their unique wares. Food, drinks, and other goodies will be available, including food at Red Wagon Eats, a mobile food truck rounding out the trio, which is the Beaver Dam Station, Beaver Dam Bar, and Red Wagon Eats. On Thursday night, May 4, enjoy "pre-Jam" music with the Dealt-A-Straight Band on our outdoor stage starting at 7 PM. The Jam music festival begins at 2 PM on Friday, at 11 AM on Saturday, and at 10 AM on Sunday. Vendors will set up and sell as early as 10 AM on all three days. Vendor spaces are \$20/day or \$50 for all three days; no power is available for vendors.

Vendors can call 928-347-5589 with any questions.



CELEBRATE AND CONNECT IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN CEDAR CITY AT THE SECOND ANNUAL SPRING FIESTA AND SLOW ROLL

Celebrate and Connect in Historic Downtown Cedar City at the second annual Spring Fiesta and Slow Roll.

Join Cedar City Events and the Cedar City Neighborhood Slow Roll Committee for the 2nd annual Spring Fiesta and Slow Roll event held in Historic Downtown Cedar City on Friday, May 5, 2023.

After the highly successful kick-off event last year, there was no doubt the Spring Fiesta would continue again this year with new additions, including food and retail vendors, live music from Mariachi De' Mexico, a slow roll route with bike valet, local ballet folklórico, dancers, Herencis Hispana, and more! This year will also feature Loteria, a popular game from Spain to Mexico, comparable to bingo.



May is also known as National Bike Month. Cedar City's Slow Roll Committee partners with the Spring Fiesta to kick off and bring awareness to its mission of promoting safe and active transportation in town through local neighborhood bike rides and "slow rolls." Bring your own chairs, bikes, skateboards, scooters, and strollers, along with your friends and family, to celebrate all evening long. Don't forget to bring your helmet if you plan to use the new bike route!

All ages are welcome at this event as we share and celebrate Latin heritage beginning at 5 PM on Center Street in Cedar City. DJ Azteca will host the main stage and keep the music pumping for a street dance scheduled from 9 to 11 PM.

For more information, including the slow roll bike route and information on participating as a vendor, visit www.cedar-city.org/springfiesta and follow Cedar City Events on Facebook and Instagram.

EVENTS

THREE PEAKS OASIS KICKS OFF SPRINGTIME

Join everyone out at Three Peaks Oasis May 6th at Noon for their Springtime Community Event.

Three Peaks Oasis is hosting a Springtime Community Event to kick off their festival year! Enjoy local music and food with friends and family! Food Trucks, Inflatables, Zip Lines, Water Slide Jump, Overnight Camping, & More.



Three Peaks Oasis!! It's the latest and most unique concert and event venue, right here in the middle of Iron County. Grabbing attention of those from all over the country with its giant 200 ft water slides, two-story jump tower, rope swing, and zip line into the private oasis.

This adventure park also includes a 6



mile track used for professional Motocross and UTV racing! As well as BMX ramps and epic jumps! Camping is always an option with space for trailers and RVs too! Making a name for itself with the Landslide Festival in July 2021 and introducing the Haunted Forest that October!

Ideas continue rolling in and production is ongoing, hosting more events each year. Currently building their third and largest stage for the upcoming Boots and Bikinis Country Music Festival this June. Three Peaks Oasis combines adventure and entertainment in ways you won't want to miss out on!

To start the season off with a bang Captain Trav is hosting an event for the community with local artists, your favorite food trucks, Funtime Inflatables Zip Line and Mechanical Bull, Cornhole Tournaments, Scavenger Hunts, Competitions with cash/prizes, and Camping. Join the fun Saturday, May 6th! Gates open at Noon! \$20 Adult

\$15 Child (12 and under) Five and under free! \$35 camp spots! See website for family discounts and use promo code CaptTrav for 10% off.

And the fun doesn't stop there. There are dozens of events planned for folks to come out and enjoy the outdoors at Three Peaks Oasis with Worcs Racing in May, the Boots n Bikinis Country Music Festival in June, Independence Day celebrations and a Latin Festival in July, the Landslide Festival, Vin on Fire, and a Lantern Festival in September and so much more! Visit www.threepkasoasis.com for more information and the full schedule of events!

The Three Peaks Oasis is just eleven miles North of the Cedar City Airport on Lund Highway in Cedar City.

TILTED MESA COMES TO ST. GEORGE

By The Independent

April 29, 2023 - St. George
Kanab-based band Tilted Mesa will perform in St. George for the first time on April 29 at 8 PM at Blues Katz at 307 North Bluff. Coming off their packed St. Paddy's Day shows in Springdale, the band is excited to play in founder Josh Warburton's hometown.

"Wishlist," and "Presence: A tribute to Led Zeppelin."

"It's exciting to be able to come back and play in St. George, which has grown so much since I moved away...but at least I'm not far away in Kanab," said Warburton. "We've had such great turnouts at our shows so far; we're hoping to completely



"I grew up in St. George and had bands there from when I was about 16, so 1992!" Warburton also performed as a solo artist with St. George as his home base until he moved to Kanab full-time via Springdale in 2015. "I started playing solo gigs at little cafes in St. George when I was about 15 or 16. Cravings is one spot that comes to mind, which was down on 700 S. My first bands were "Paisley" and "The Forest," but most people would know me from my previous projects, "Crippled Stripper," "SilverSong," and "We are Mirrors." Warburton is the founder and publisher of The Independent.

Many members of those projects still live in or perform around the St. George area frequently, including Groovonix member Jerry Love who was in 3 bands with Warburton, including "Crippled Stripper,"

pack the house at Blues Katz."

Tickets are now on sale at UtahTix.com. Tickets will be \$10 at the door if they don't otherwise sell out online, which is possible with just 150 capacity at Blues Katz.

"We had over 100 people at our debut in little Kanab, and a few hundred watched us play over St. Paddy's Day weekend in Springdale, so we think selling out is a real possibility."

May 6, 2023 - Kanab

Tilted Mesa will then return to Kanab for an outdoor show at the Best Friends Roadhouse stage on May 6 at 6 PM to kick off that series of Saturday evening shows.

You can follow Tilted Mesa on their Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter accounts @TiltedMesa, and you can get tickets for the April 29 Blues Katz show at UtahTix.com.

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MON APRIL 24 - MASON COTTAM (CEDAR)	MON JUNE 19 - PASS THE BUTTER (FLAGSTAFF, AZ)
FRI APRIL 28 - TOM BENNETT (LA VERKIN)	FRI JUNE 23 - YESOUISI (ST. GEORGE)
MON MAY 1 - RIVER HOUSE BAND (ST. GEORGE)	7/3 NATHAN ROBINSON TRIO (SLC)
FRI MAY 5 - GARY HUFF (ST. GEORGE)	FRI JUNE 30 - THE COFFIS BROTHERS (NO. CA)*
MON MAY 8 - DAVE TATE (SAN LUIS OBISPO, CA)	MON JULY 3 - YESOUISI (ST. GEORGE)
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FRI MAY 26 - GHOST TOWN BLUES BAND (MEMPHIS, TN)*	FRI JULY 21 - ADILEA SPROUSE (SALT LAKE CITY, UT)
MON MAY 29 - LISA MAC BAND (LAS VEGAS, NV)	MON JULY 24 - TOM BENNETT (LA VERKIN)
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ORDERVILLE SOUP TOWN DAYS

Saturday, April 15th, 12-5 PM at the North Events Center

ORDERVILLE was established under the direction of LDS Church president Brigham Young in 1875 with the expectation that the residents, or members of the town, would live the United Order, a voluntary form of communalism defined by Joseph Smith.

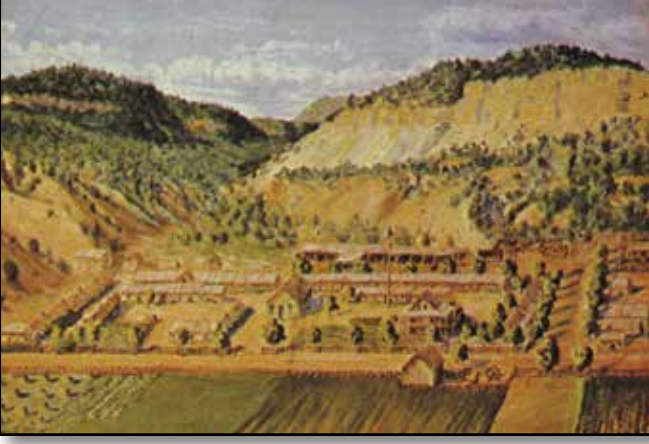
The settlers grew their own crops, and had some small farms surrounding the settlement. They also used local materials to make their own soap, brooms, buckets, furniture, etc. Orderville had blacksmiths, clerks, artists, musicians, and other profes-

sionals. One of the most talked about items of the United Order history is the communal dining hall where every man, woman, and child ate their meals. Often, with so many mouths to feed, Soup was the easiest meal to make. Hence the nickname of Soup Town. This experiment in communal living was the longest-lasting "Order" with a decade

of success. In 1885, the enforcement of the Edmunds Anti-Polygamy Act of 1882 effectively ended the Order, by jailing many of the Order's leaders. Nearly a century and a half after the final vestiges of the LDS Orderville United Order disappeared, the town remains a tight-knit conglomerate of pioneer stock. What better way to celebrate a lasting heritage than to eat Soup?!

At Soup Town Days, there will be Pioneer trade booths-cheese making, quilts, rag rugs, soap making, Kids' corner, music, United Order display, Lawn Mower races, Bed races, and of course, Soup! This year the Soup is free, but we are asking for a donation for the Daniel & Ashley Spencer Benefit.

The Daughters of Utah Pioneer Museum still preserves the unique

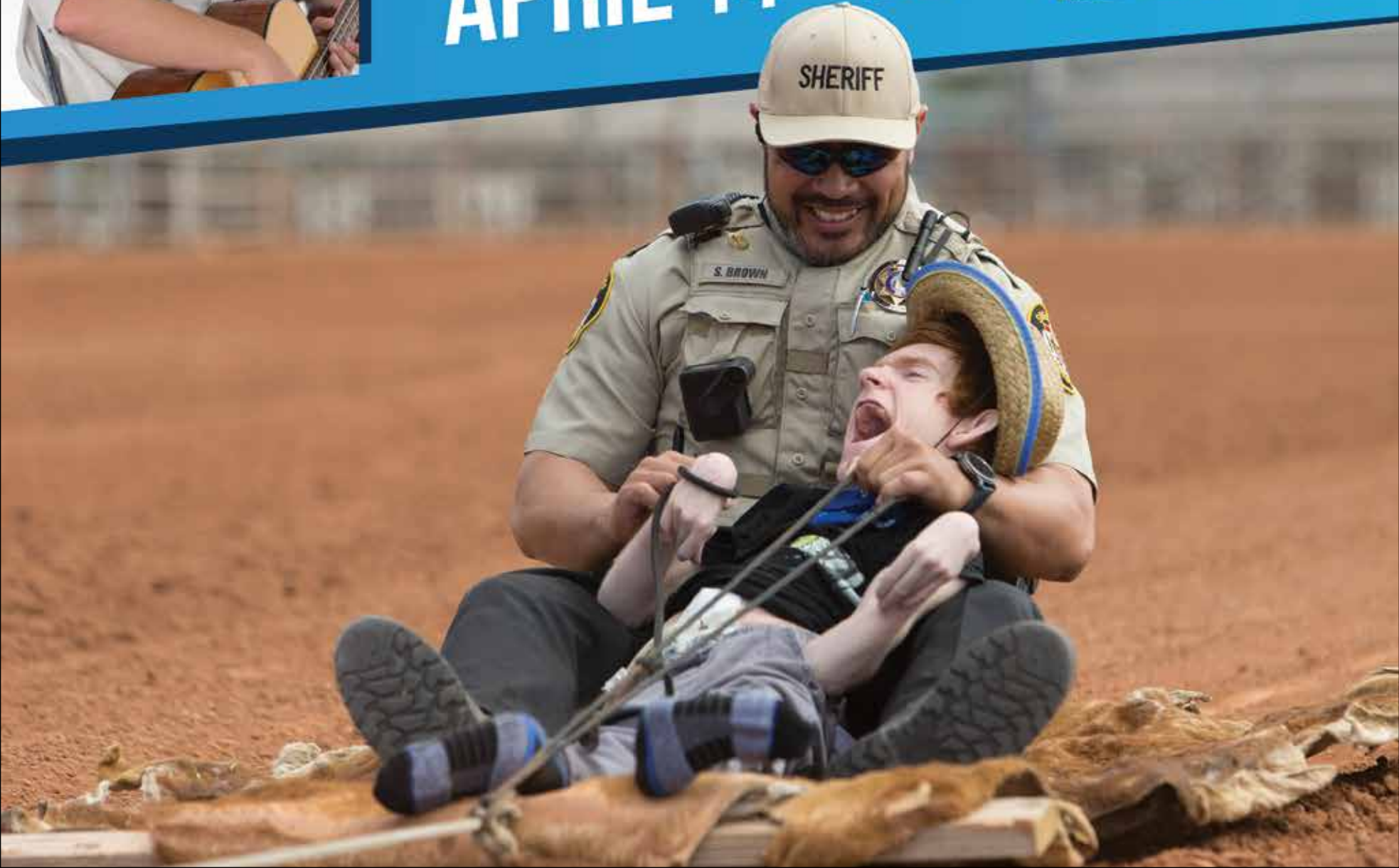


history of Orderville and is open by appointment during the winter months and during summer months Fridays and Saturdays 12-5 PM. The DUP will be available 12-5 PM on Saturday the 15th.

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SOUTHERN UTAH'S 17TH ANNUAL AMAZING EARTHFEST

May 14-20, 2023

Folks from across Utah, surrounding states, and all parts of our great nation are making plans to choose from over 35 scheduled experiential learning, arts and outdoor adventure activities coming May 14 through May 20, 2023, on-site and on-line at the 17th annual Amazing Earthfest, based in Kanab, Utah.

This year's festival celebrating land and life on the Colorado Plateau includes opportunities for hiking, cycling, music, poetry, art, stargazing, paleontology, geology, silviculture, astronomy and astrophotography, baking, lectures, wildlife, picnics in beautiful natural locations, documentary films and presentations on topics of contemporary importance. Registration is easy and most events are free.

Meet a live owl, learn how to bake in a cob oven, enjoy a picnic lunch at a natural limestone sink, visit with contemporary artists, watch documentary films, explore the mysteries of black holes with an astronomer, hear a poetry recital,



hike Kanab's newest trail system, listen to the music of Bach in a solo viola recital, discover dinosaur tracks with a paleontologist, explore the crisis at Great Salt Lake, enjoy good food, learn about the ongoing transition to clean energy, observe southern Utah's starry skies through a telescope, take an astrophotography workshop and so much more!

Amazing Earthfest is a federal 501c3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to inspire and educate residents and visitors to value stewardship of natural and cultural resources on America's public lands, and to explore responsibility to present and future generations. Amazing Earthfest events encourage individual experience and community conversation to explore scientific knowledge to discover shared values in conservation and land ethics, enhance appreciation for the benefits that public lands provide, understand natural systems and human impacts upon them, help develop sustainable economies in the rural West and promote appreciation for creative artistic expression that connects people with their natural heritage.

To learn more and make plans to attend, visit: www.amazingearthfest.org/events/upcoming

APRIL ART SHOW EXTRAVAGANZA!

April 13, 5-6 PM

The Kanab Arts Board, Kane County Hospital and Kanab City Library are extremely happy to announce their combined upcoming Art Show Extravaganza at 5-6 PM Thursday April 13, in the Hospital Lobby.

Save that date! Five local artists will be featured, 80 plus pieces of artwork will be on display and some awesome bragging-



rights awards will be given to a group of deserving artists who serve our community. The event is free and there will be refreshments created by the most talented Hospital chef we know, Kay Syddall.

Artists featured on April 13 at the hospital will be: Rosemary Swapp (Fredonia), Shelley A. Christensen (Mocassin), Leonard Heaton (Mocassin), Mace Manire (Kanab, previously Alaska) and Jane Keller (Kanab).

There will be a variety of mediums and subject matter on show from stunning portraits, landscapes, joyful practice pieces and firsthand art collection of the Vietnam war. In addition to his collection at the hospital, Mace Manire will have a solo exhibition at the library.

We will celebrate and recognize:

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spiritual relationship with these lands and the challenges and rewards of overseeing them for the BLM.

Over the decades Angie worked her way up through federal land management systems, often in her traditional territories such as the Arizona Strip and Dixie National Forest, but also in Colorado, New Mexico, and Phoenix. She began her career in the Kaibab National Forest, lands specific to her Kaibab Tribe.

Angie graduated from Northern Arizona University in 1982 with a degree in Anthropology and an emphasis in Sociology and Natural Resources Management, then attended Grand Canyon University for a second degree in Business Administration. She then served as the Kaibab Paiute Tribal Administrator for six years, leading the administration and business enterprises of the tribal government, and often acting as Tribal Council spokesman.

"I grew up on the Dixie and the Kaibab National Forests, so for me, yes, this is home. What's most important for me is that I'm able to be instrumental in managing natural resources. It's an added benefit to

carry my traditional knowledge hand-in-hand ... "

She and her husband Carlos have two adult daughters, Leslie Sylver and India Jade. She has one grandson, Easton Hosteenez who is Navajo and Paiute. She enjoys teaching tribal children about their heritage and their attachment to traditional lands. Traditional landscapes and those spiritual connections bring joy to her life. She spends what little free time she has doing beadwork and cradleboard making.

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Humans and hounds travel from all over – United Kingdom, Texas, Florida, New Jersey, Alaska, Oklahoma – just to strut their stuff on the streets of Kanab. This event is one of the largest, three-day, sighthound gatherings in the western United States. Formerly called Greyhound

Gathering, Sighthound Shivoo – the new title – reflects the growing love and need to rescue and adopt sighthounds (hounds who hunt by sight) around the world.

Chris Titchen, of England, calls it a “bloody good time, without the blood.” Claudia Presto, founder of Kanab’s Greyhound Gang and the event’s organizer, says, “Smart, sweet, silly and sexy – but enough about me. Come pet the hounds, they’re waiting.”

Presto said that while in modern times greyhounds are known for their racing prowess and the abuse and abandonment they suffer when they no longer earn money for their breeders, they’ve historically been



treated lovingly as loyal companions of royalty and treasured family members.

Highlights of this event include:

- Sidewalk Strut down Center Street - to the strains of “You Ain’t Nuthin’ But a Hound Dog”, with costumed humans and hounds, vying for prizes and attention.
- Costume Contest – help choose the winners on the stage at Best Friends Roadhouse.
- HGT – Hounds Got Talent (and Humans Got Tattoos) – Pick your favorite act.
- Blur of Fur - where greyhounds chase their humans down a strip of grass while being clocked with a radar gun by Kanab police.
- Hike the Reservoir – join us for a leisurely walk around Jackson Flat Reservoir.

Fundraising activities include over one thousand donated items in Live and Silent Auctions. Grab Bags. Hikes, Speakers, Heavy Petting, Food, Fun, and Best Friends tours round out the weekend.

For a complete schedule of events, visit www.greyhoundgang.org. Registration is

required for those attending the events all weekend, but the public is always invited to view and pet the hounds, and join us at the Sidewalk Strut, HGT, Hike and Blur of Fur.

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6pm to 7:30	Crossroads	Main Outdoor Stage
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Saturday, May 6, 2023		
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3pm to 4:30pm	Shelby Cunningham	Main Outdoor Stage
5pm to 6:30	Riverhouse Band	Main Outdoor Stage
6:30 to 8pm	Fast Eddie	Main Outdoor Stage
8:30pm to 10pm	Jeff Orr & Brown Chicken Brown Cow	Main Outdoor Stage
10:30pm to 12 midnight	Insanity Stew	Indoor Stage
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Then on April 21st, Zion Adventure Club will hold a fundraiser. The following night, April 22nd, SUU's Alternate Currents will return. This 7 PM perfor-



off a series of Friday evening performances starting with Greg Istock on May 19, and Acoustic Adventure on May 26. These are free concerts, and the Theatre will not only feature great live acts of many different genres every Friday this year but will also host a number of well-known acts on Saturday nights and through the season.

Friday Night Performances On The Calendar Are:

5/19 Greg Istock, 5/26 Acoustic



mance features SUU students performing 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.

Then in May the Bumbleberry will kick



Adventure, 6/2 Eli Shay, 6/9 Dick Earl Trio, 6/16 Pass The Butter (Flagstaff), 6/23 Josh Larsen, 6/30 Gary Huff, 7/7 Tom Bennett, 7/14 Juniper City, 7/21 Jake Shepard, 7/28 Mr. OK & The Last Light, 8/4 Stino, 8/11 Mark Boggs, 8/18 Projekt Listen, 8/25 Mason Cottam, 9/1 River House Band, 9/8 Daniel Isle Sky, 9/15 SkyDobe, & 9/22 ST1 (Las Vegas)

The Bumbleberry Inn's restaurant, gift shop, and the 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.

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MOVIES

- ★★★★★ - Amazing!
- ★★★★ - Good
- ★★★ - Decent
- ★★ - Poor
- ★ - Terrible

THE INDEPENDENT MOVIE REVIEW
By Adam Mast

JOHN WICK: CHAPTER 4 (R)

★★★★

Style Over Substance In The Best Way Possible

Right out of the gate, let it be said that "John Wick: Chapter 4" is a case of style over substance in the best way possible. It's excessive, it's violent, it's repetitious, and it's long to be sure but no matter. In the end, it's a hell of a good time and my goodness is it a stunning achievement in the realm of actioner craftsmanship. In fact, this is the kind of contemporary action film (it sits right alongside the likes of "The Raid 2," "Fury Road," and "Mission: Impossible-Fallout") that makes a strong argument for the long overdue addition of a stunt coordi-

and while at this point, most of the more grounded nature of the first installment is but a distant memory, the crazed nature of "Chapter 4" works more often than not in the context of the film. I mean...It's certainly not likely to win any awards for best screenplay (I'm still a little confused by certain plot elements and character motivations) but then, that's clearly not this film's intent.

"Chapter 4" rejects your average sense of grounded realism and throws the laws of physics completely out the window in the same way that the majority of the "Fast and Furious" films have but for my money, this movie is even more entertaining. Be it the opening hotel sequence (a set piece so epic, most other action films would use it as a climax), the assassins vs. car sequence, the Dragon's Breath overhead one, or the insane stairway fight, it's like the team behind this film looked at the infamous (and appropriately ridiculous) street brawl at the center of John Carpenter's masterpiece, "They Live," and extended it to nearly three hours. Yes... "John Wick: Chapter 4" pushes the 180-minute mark. That said, there's such commitment and visual bravado on display that it doesn't feel that long.

Anchoring the whole crazy thing is the forever likable Mr. Reeves, a man who even at 58 years old, is still kicking ass and taking names. And in fact, this might be the most physically demanding turn we've seen from Theodore "Ted" Logan yet, and that's



nation category at the Oscars.

In "Chapter 4," John Wick (once again played by a 100% committed Keanu Reeves) continues his dangerous crusade for freedom following the escalating events that took place in the previous three installments. This is to say, there are more folks out there that want to see Wick dead than alive. Throughout this film, Wick is reunited with familiar faces (including Laurence Fishburne, Ian McShane, and the late, great Lance Reddick, to whom the film has been dedicated) but he also comes face to face with a colorful assortment of new characters (played by the likes of a shifty Donnie Yen, a sleazy Bill Skarsgard, a legendary Clancy Brown, a villainous Scott Adkins, assassin Shamier Anderson, honorable Hiroyuki Sanada, and a vengeful Rina Sawayama.) Beyond all the faces, "Chapter 4" delivers what most viewers are expecting in spades; A plethora of gun-fu fights, stylistic visions of a seedy crime underworld, over-the-top action sequences that don't stop, Wick vs. everyone, and one badass canine.

As helmed by gifted stunt guru-turned-director Chad Stahelski, "John Wick: Chapter 4" is a wildly entertaining, ultra-violent looney tunes cartoon. It ups the absurd factor at nearly every corner

saying a lot given that this is the same dedicated performer we witnessed in celebrated action staples like "Point Break," "Speed," and "The Matrix" back in the 90s. Beyond the physicality of the proceedings, though, is Reeves's much-welcome charisma and coolness. Simply put; We root for this guy every step of the way and want to see him win!

Not surprisingly, "John Wick: Chapter 4" has made a massive killing at the box-office but in my humble opinion, it's a bummer that those numbers are all the higher-ups seem to be focussed on. I get it...Dollar signs often reign supreme in Hollywood but again, it's the wrong takeaway, here.

Without going into spoiler territory, "Chapter 4" works as a very fulfilling conclusion for the series. Translation; Have at the inevitable spinoffs (which will include the Ana de Armas vehicle, "Ballerina" as well as the t.v. series, "The Continental") but it would be a shame (and a downright betrayal) to continue this specific franchise.

The first is still my favorite, but here's hoping that Lionsgate and the powers-that-be opt to end this series on the high note that is "John Wick: Chapter 4" because, for all its ridiculousness, it's a truly exhilarating time at the movies.

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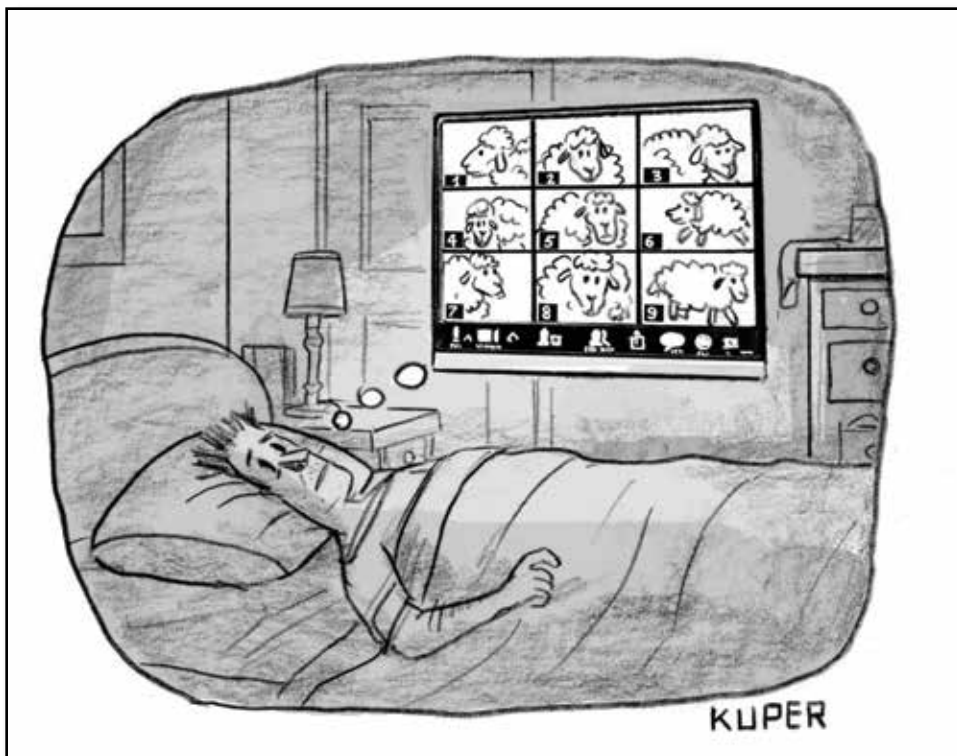


OPINION

DUMBING AMERICA DOWN - DIGITALLY?
By Tom Purcell

IQs have dropped for the first time in American history, and the experts aren't quite sure why.

According to Neuroscience News, a new Northwestern University study finds that our average IQ scores have decreased in three out of four cognitive measures.



The study found that "scores of verbal reasoning (logic, vocabulary), matrix reasoning (visual problem solving, analogies) and letter and number series (computational/mathematical) dropped during the study period"

The only IQ measure to increase was 3D rotation (spatial reasoning), which, ironically, could be due to the proliferation of video gaming.

The country's IQ drop is a drastic reversal of the "Flynn effect," a phenomenon in which "IQ scores have substantially increased from 1932 through the 20th century, with differences ranging from three to five IQ points per decade."

Elizabeth Dworak, the study's author, says the findings do not mean Americans are necessarily getting less intelligent.

"It could just be that they're getting worse at taking tests or specifically worse at taking these kinds of tests," she says.

Perhaps.

Or perhaps our outdated and dumbed-down approach to learning and teaching are making us duller.

When my parents graduated high school in the 1950s, they were well prepared to read, write clear and coherent letters (what we call "content" today), do basic math and manage their checkbooks.

That was a different era, to be sure.

But here we are, more than 60 years later, still running our kids through a creaky education model that seems more interested in promoting peripheral cultural shifts than in teaching the rigors of reading, writing

and arithmetic.

Is it any wonder that the cognitive skills of American kids fall well below kids in 25 other developed countries, according to The Discovery Institute?

Meanwhile, as our kids spend eight hours a day on social media, their attention spans and ability to concentrate are being compromised, The Guardian reports, to no one's surprise.

How can they ever learn to read and understand long essays or make a detailed, reasoned argument if they cannot focus and concentrate on anything more complicated than a text message?

Another key driver of the country's declining cognitive abilities could be that our Digital Age kids no longer spend hours outside playing.

Richard Louv, author of "Last Child in the Woods," says our kids are suffering from "nature deficit disorder," which he argues is a direct cause of attention deficit hyperac-

tivity disorder (ADHD) and other learning maladies in children.

Simply put, our kids spend too little time climbing trees, building forts and having all five of their senses engaged and unleashed by the wonders of playing in the woods.

"We don't yet know why it happens," says Louv, "but when all five of a child's senses come alive, a child is at an optimum state of learning. Creativity and cognitive functioning go way up."

And conversely, as our kids spend more time indoors on social media, their creativity and cognitive functioning go way down.

All of this IQ decline is putting our country at a crossroads.

As our Digital Kids become adults, their votes are increasingly replacing those cast by the common-sense high-school grads of the 1950s.

To maintain a stable and prosperous republic, and to thwart the silver-tongued politicians who push their expensive and foolish government policies, we will need voters with sound reasoning abilities.

That's one more good reason why we must reform our education system — and moderate the impact of social media on our kids — to re-reverse the Flynn effect while we still can.

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MY SCORECARD FOR UTAH'S 2023 LEGISLATURE

By Howard Sierer



Utah's legislature passed 575 bills in its recent session. Here's a quick run-down on those I feel are most important.

Taxes. The state has run up budget surpluses year after year and was forecast to do

that again in fiscal year 2024 starting this July. In response, the legislature enacted \$400 million in tax cuts including lowering the state's individual income tax rate from 4.85% to 4.65%.

When coupled with other tax cuts, Utah's legislative fiscal analysts foresee a 22% overall tax cut for low-income households, a 6% cut for middle-income households and a 4% cut for high-income households.

I'm grateful for legislators that recognize budget surpluses as taxpayers' money, not theirs. House Speaker Brad Wilson summed it up nicely: "We firmly believe money is best used when left in the pockets of our citizens and we've clearly demonstrated that the past few years."

I'm galled by the federal government's term "tax expenditure" that it applies to any revenue it chooses to give up that would otherwise have been available to spend. The term implies that your money and mine was actually theirs to begin with and that we should be grateful to get a little of "their money" given to us in the form of a tax deduction or credit.

Grocery Tax. Utah is one of only 13 states that apply sales tax to groceries. Lower income households spend a significantly greater percentage of their budgets at the supermarket so eliminating the grocery tax is a popular idea.

are expected to be over \$7.5 billion while the General Fund expects \$4.1 billion. With the state sales tax providing over 80% of General Fund revenues, the obvious way to replace the grocery tax is to increase the sales tax on all other items. While the grocery tax is especially regressive, sales taxes in general eat up a higher percentage of lower income budgets than they do for those with higher incomes.

That makes it easy to see why legislators would like to redirect a portion of income tax revenues. Hence in this year's session, legislators passed SJR10, placing a proposed amendment on the ballot to end the requirement that income taxes must only be used for education. This drew immediate opposition from teachers' unions and school boards.

Since the battle over grocery taxes and education-restricted income taxes will be fought in 2024, expect a donnybrook then. I'm leaning toward the legislature's approach but I'm open to consider counter arguments.

Education. Setting the stage for its proposed state constitutional amendment to end the income tax's dedication to education, the legislature approved a \$917 million, 20% increase in education funding for the coming year. Included is a \$6000 raise in teachers' compensation and up to \$42 million for the controversial "Utah Fits All Scholarship Program." I'm a believer in that new program and the legislature's commitment to education.

Water. Another winner in my book is \$196 million in grants spread over four years for our Washington County Water Conservation District's regional water reuse system. The legislature also funded a one-time \$5 million grant for Washington County's popular turf removal program and \$3 million more in continuing support.



Ending the grocery sales tax would put a \$200 million hole in the states' General Fund. To most of us, the obvious choice to fill that hole would be a comparable increase in the state income tax. But that can't be done without a constitutional amendment. Here's why.

Decades ago, voters amended our state constitution to require that all income tax revenue be dedicated to K-12 education and administered through a separate Uniform School Fund, not the General Fund. With the steady growth of income tax revenues, voters in 1996 approved an additional amendment allowing those revenues also to be used for higher education. Then in 2020, another voter-approved amendment expanded their use to include children's programs and Utahns with disabilities.

The revenue disparity between these two constitutionally-separated funds is surprising. The School Fund's 2023 revenues

Those grants were part of \$500 million in statewide spending on water projects over the coming year. Good show!

Teen Transgender Surgery. This one is a hot-button topic for me that I've covered before. I'm pleased that the legislature banned transgender surgery for children under age 18. Restrictions also were placed on puberty blockers and hormonal treatments for minors.

We don't allow those under age 18 to vote, to enter into contracts, to drink alcohol, to join the military without parental consent and the list goes on. Why on earth should we allow children to make a permanent, life-changing decision as minors? These are common sense restrictions. Another good show!

To sum up, I'm onboard with our legislature's actions on these major topics. We continue to head in the right direction here in Utah!

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THE SPITFIRE GRILL Apr. 7-May 6, 7 PM. Mon., Fri. and Sat. nights, and Sat. matinees at 2 PM. Based on the hit 1996 film, The Spitfire Grill is a heartwarming and inspirational musical. Set in a small Wisconsin town, the show features a gorgeous, soulful score. Tickets: Adult \$18, Child ages 4-12 \$8, Senior 65 \$16. Rating PG-13 Hurricane Fine Arts Center, 92 S. 100 W., Hurricane.

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SUMA: SPRING BREAKOUT Apr. 7-14, 10 AM. SUMA provides art kits for K-5 students during the Iron County School District spring break. Southern Utah Museum of Art, 13 S. 300 W., Cedar City.

PAROWAN: DADDY LONG LEGS April 12-15, 7 PM. Parowan City presents the Musical Daddy Long Legs. Doors open at 6:30 PM, and performances are at 7:00 PM in the Aladdin Theater. Tickets are \$5 at the door or at the Visitor's Center, 5 S. Main St., Parowan, during business hours. For information, call 435 477-8190. Aladdin Theater, 27 N. Main St., Parowan.

JEFF FOXWORTHY April 13-14, 8 PM. Tickets starting at \$60. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

SNOW CANYON HIGH: MUSICAL REVIEW Apr. 13, 15, and 17, 7 PM. Snow Canyon High School, 1385 Lava Flow Dr., St. George.

FINANCIAL PEACE CLASS Apr. 13, 20, 27, and May 4, 6:30 PM. Financial Peace University is a 9 week class to learn how to pay off debt. MoFACo, 55 N. Main St., St. George.

CABARET PERFORMANCE Apr. 14-22, 7:30 PM. Doors Open at 7 PM. Curtain 7:30 PM. Eileen and Allen Anes Studio Theatre, 101-199 W University Blvd., Cedar City.

LITTLE BRITCHES Apr. 14-15. Triple C Arena, 50 E. 800 N., Panguitch.

WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR Apr. 14, 15, and 19-22, 6 PM. Washington County Fair, Biggest fair south of Salt Lake City. Something for everyone. One-time events to match the theme each year. Washington County Legacy Park, 5500 W. 700 S., Hurricane.

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YOUR OPTIMISM IS NOT REQUIRED Apr. 21-30, 7:30 PM. Your optimism is not required, is an interactive performance event, facilitated workshop, and communal gathering which takes place at an intimate, outdoor performance site encircling a campfire. Guided by two performers, the audience meets a fictional biracial teenager and her white father on a camping trip confronting futures potentially shaped by environmental and societal crises. Cost: \$10-\$35. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct., Ivins.

SPRING HOMES & GARDEN FAIR Apr. 21-22, Friday 3-8 PM. Saturday 9-4. Tickets are \$3 at the door. For more information, call 435 865-1113. Benefit Breakfast to be held Saturday from 8-10 AM. Admission is \$5 per person. To donate and to learn more information, visit ichba.org/home-and-garden-fair/. Diamond Z Arena, 11 N. Cross Hollows Rd., Cedar City.

ST. GEORGE DANCE COMPANY'S "HAVE A SEAT" Apr. 21-22, 7:30 PM. St. George Dance Company's Spring Concert Vista School, 585 E. Center St., Ivins.

SWBRA 4D BARRELS Apr. 28-30. Triple C Arena, 50 E. 800 N., Panguitch.

THE ZION CHALK & EARTH FEST. (FORMALLY KNOWN AS EARTH DAY) Apr. 29-30, 10 AM. Live Music & Entertainment, Beer Garden, Food, Educational Vendors, & for the first time... CHALK ART! For any questions, or if you are interested in donating or participating, please contact Ryan Gubler at 435-772-3434 x312. Zion Canyon Village, 147 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

STGBIZCON May 2-3, 8 AM. Dixie Center, 1835 Convention Center Dr., St. George.

"WISH YOU WERE HERE" PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION May 3-6, 10 AM. Photography displayed in the lobby of the Center for the Arts at Kayenta. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct., Ivins.

MESQUITE DAYS 2023 May 3-7, Mesquite Recreation Center, 100 W. Old Mill Rd., Mesquite.

CANYON VIEW HIGH: MUSICAL "NEWSIES JR." May 4-5, 7 PM. Canyon View High School, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

SIGHTHOUND SHIVOO May 4-7, 4 PM. There are 4 events for spectators (Hounds Got Talent (HGT), Costume Strut, Hike, Blur of Fur), and then a weekend of events for registered guests. Center St., Kanab.

BEAVER DAM JAM May 5-7. Three days of live music. Lawnmower races. Multiple stages featuring many styles of live music. All free! Plus free parking and camping space available. Come sell your wears. Vending opportunities available, please call 928-347-5589. Littlefield. Beaver Dam Station, 401 Old Highway 91, Littlefield.

MR. OK - LIVE AT VARIOUS VENUES 6 PM. Wednesday's & Saturday's - The Cliffrose Lodge, The Anthera Restaurant, 281 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale. Thursdays and Sundays, Live at The Embers Restaurant at Under Canvas Zion. Under Canvas Zion, 3955 Kolob Terrace Rd., Virgin. Friday's - Zion Wildflower Resort, 100 Kolob Terrace Rd., Virgin. Rain or Shine (In good weather, on the patio - in bad weather, in the restaurant where space is sometimes limited). Mr. OK weaves unique groove stylings into classics and original tracks by way of beatbox, guitar, vocals, melodic, and occasional brass.

TERRY WAYNE PROJECT AT CASABLANCA Apr. 7-9, 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.

LARA ASH & INFERNO AT CASABLANCA Apr. 12-16, 6 PM. Showtimes may vary. Variety cover band. Free admission, must be 21 or older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

GLEN GALLARDE PROJECT AT

CASABLANCA Apr. 19-23, 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 Apr. 26-30, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. Classic Rock, Variety, and dance band. Free. 21 or older. 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.

TODDLER TIME 11 AM. Days/times vary. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

COVID-19 MOBILE TESTING SITE 8 AM. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Jimmie Hughes Campus, 150 N. Yucca, Mesquite.

Events by Day MONDAYS

STORY TIME WITH GRANDPA STEVE 10 AM. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

BIT & SPUR FARMERS MARKET 5-8 PM. Come and enjoy local artisans, a brand new stage with live music, and the Bit And Spur Taco Truck. This is a weather-permitting event. Bit & Spur, 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

TUESDAYS

FRONTIER HOMESTEAD: CHILDREN'S STORY TIME 10 AM. Every Tuesday morning a Ranger will read a frontier-themed story and have fun with a corresponding take-home activity. Story Time is an opportunity for preschool children and their guardians to learn about the past through stories and history-related activities. This program is offered free to the public with help from the Visit Cedar City. Brian Head and is recommended for preschool-aged children. Admission is FREE. Frontier Homestead, 635 N. Main St., Cedar City.

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. 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 'twens who love anime, gaming, or both meet for book discussions, games, and great times. Santa Clara Library, 1099 Lava Flow Dr., St. George.

ENOCH: FARMERS MARKET 4 PM. Come for live music, jump house, face painting, and more. Find some beautiful, original, and unique items for your loved one, all the crafters and artisans are local and everything is handmade by them. This is the perfect place to take a break midweek with your family, friends, and neighbors, have some dinner, listen to some music, and let the kids play in the jump house while you watch the sunset. This is a Project of The PEACE Guild - Text: 435 704-6916. 780 Midvalley Rd., Enoch.

WONDER WEDNESDAY-LIBRARY 4 PM. Free for all students K-5. Children, accompanied by an adult, can join for adventure and fun make-and-take activities. Wonder Wednesdays take place at five locations throughout the month. 1st Wed.- 635 N Main St. 2nd Wed.- Cedar City Library, 303 N. 100 E., 3rd Wed.- artsFUSION at Southern Utah Museum of Art, 13 S. 300 W., 4th Wed.-SUU S.T.E.M. Center, Geoscience Bldg. 351 W. University Blvd., Room #323, 5th Wed.-Frehner Museum of Natural History 351 W. University Blvd., Southern Utah Museum of Art, 13 S. 300 W., Cedar City.

LEARN TO SQUARE DANCE 6 PM. Learn To Square Dance Cedar City Aquatic Center, 2090 W. Royal Hunte Dr., Cedar City.

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

SUNRISE ROTARY 8 AM. Meets every Thursday at Scotty's Restaurant at the Falcon Ridge Golf Course. e contact: Deb Parsley debparsley@kw.com. Falcon Ridge Golf Course, 1024 Normandy Ln., Mesquite.

MUSIC TIME WITH MARLENE 11:30 AM. Join Marlene in our Theater Room every Thursday for music, prizes, and dancing! St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St., St. George.



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CALENDAR

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., Hurricane.

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

FRIDAYS

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

CRAFTIVITY 11 AM. Join in this creative activity every Friday where together, guests and volunteers work to make easy, fun, and educational crafts for themselves and their families. Free to members or paid admission St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St., St. George.

FRIDAY NIGHT MUSIC AT THE BIT & SPUR 6-9 PM. The Bit & Spur are proud to present a Friday Night Concert Series on their back lawn. Come enjoy the new live stage & taco truck on the massive lawn space in the back of the restaurant. Free show - Weather Permitting. The Bit & Spur, 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

OFF THE CUFF 8 PM. Off the Cuff Off the Cuff Comedy Improv is held every Friday. Tickets are \$10 and advance tickets are available for purchase at otccomedy.com. Trained by some of the greatest names in improv comedy, Off the Cuff seeks to delight and entertain your funny bone with their hilarious, notorious, and uproarious brand of performance styles. Off the Cuff Theater, 913 S. Main St., 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 Hwy. 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, April 7

WIND SYMPHONY CONCERT 7:30 PM. Adults: \$10. Alumni: \$8 with card. Youth: \$5. SUU Students/Faculty/Staff: Free with valid ID. Heritage Center Theatre, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

DISTORTION WITH TILTED KILT AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR 8 PM. Back by popular demand! Two rock bands...one night! 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

BRASS TRANSIT - THE MUSICAL LEGACY OF CHICAGO 8 PM. Tickets starting at \$20 Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

Sat, April 8

EASTER EGG HUNT 9 AM. The Easter Bunny will kick off the event, so be sure to come early to get your picture with the Bunny. Approximately 25,000 eggs, 120 prizes baskets, and 8 bicycles, among numerous prizes. Admission is FREE, and everyone is invited to join. Cedar City Main Street Park, 200 N. Main St., Cedar City.

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT) TRAINING 9 AM. Heritage Center Theatre, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

EASTER EGG HUNT FOR CHILDREN - VV LIONS CLUB 9 AM. The Virgin Valley Lions Club and LV Summerlin Lions are having an Easter Egg Hunt for children ages newborn to 10. Starts at 9 AM. am SHARP! Marilyn Redd Park, 251 Marilyn Pkwy., Mesquite.

ST GEORGE KIWANIS CLUB ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT 10-10:20 AM. Separate Vernon Worthen into 5 areas for the annual Easter egg hunt. Once kids are told to go, it takes about 20 minutes. Prizes are given in eggs and collected at the gazebo. Clean up happens at the same time. Vernon Worthen Park, 300 S. 400 E., St. George.

BRIAN HEAD - SPRING CARNIVAL 10 AM. Participate in several events, like the Cardboard Sled Race, Bikini Slalom, and the classic Pond Skim! For a list of events and information, visit www.brianhead.com. Best Costume Contest - All guests and employees are encouraged to wear family-friendly costumes. Cardboard Sled Race 10 AM - Giant Steps Tube Hill Bikini Slalom 12 PM - Giant Steps Pond Skim 2 PM - Award Ceremony 5 PM. Last Chair Gill & Brews Giant Steps Resort, Cedar City.

EASTER EGG HUNT 10 AM. City Park. Panguitch.

FOOD TRUCK SATURDAY AT THE WELCOME CENTER 11 AM. Nevada Welcome Center, 460 Sandhill Blvd., Mesquite.

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.

JAC: OPEN MIC NIGHT 7 PM. Every second and fourth Friday of each month. Each artist will have a 7-minute set. First come, first served signups at the door. A \$5 donation is required for entry. For information and questions please email info@johnsonartscenter.org. Johnson Center for Community Arts & Education, 59 N. 100 W., Cedar City.

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

Sun, April 9

COTTONTAIL CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT 7:30 AM. 4-Person Teams. Scramble Format. 7:30 AM Shotgun Start. Gross & Callaway Net Team Score Prizes. \$75 Entry Fee Per Player Includes: Tournament Entry, Team Prizes & Food. Palms Golf Club, 550 Peppermill Palms Blvd., Littlefield.

BRIAN HEAD - EASTER ON THE MOUNTAIN 11 AM. Easter Egg Hunt begins Sunday at 11 AM behind Navajo Lodge; come early! The white egg is open to any age and will be hidden somewhere at Brian Head Resort. Find the white egg and win a FREE Value Season Pass! For information call 435 677-2035. Navajo Lodge Main Lobby Brian Head Resort 329 S. Hwy. 143, Brian Head.

JOE RICE AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

Mon, April 10

CARS & CUSTARD 5:30 PM. Held the second Monday March-October 2023. Classic Cars & Trucks 1982 or older, Customs, Muscle Cars, and Supercars. Admission is Free. Followed by a cruise down Main St at 8 PM. For information or to enter a car, call Mike at 909-717-1232 or email him at ekimjacobs@gmail.com. Weather permitting. Culver's 1065 S. Main St., Cedar City.

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.

NU-BLU BLUEGRASS ARTISTS 7:30 PM. The Park, 1449 1400 W. St., St. George.

Tues, April 11

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

MASTERCLASS FOR VIOLIN WITH GUEST DR. MONTE BELKNAP 4 PM. Free and open to all! Dr. Monte Belknap is a celebrated, world-class violinist. His characteristic, deep, singing sound and formidable virtuosity has captivated audiences for over three decades. Dr. Belknap is a professor at Brigham Young University. Thorley Music Recital Hall, 351 W. University Blvd., Cedar City.

HAZEL PAYNE AT CASABLANCA 6 PM. One half of the legendary band, "A Taste of Honey" Grammy Award for Best New Artist 1979 (A Taste of Honey). Hazel will bring the hits and more to the Skydome with her powerful vocals and pro-guitar sounds! Don't miss this special night with one of the classic Divas of Discal 21 and older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

Wed, April 12

ARTS COMMISSION MEETING 5 PM. Ivins City Hall, 55 Main St., Ivins.

MESQUITE REPUBLICAN WOMEN MTG 5:30 PM. Mesquite Republican Women meet the second Wednesday of each month at the Veterans Center. Doors open at 5 PM meeting begins at 5:30 702-346-3804 sherriejh@gmail.com. Veterans Center, 840 Hafan Lane, Mesquite.

Thurs, April 13

CITIZENS CLIMATE LOBBY 5 PM. Citizens' Climate Lobby is a climate change organization that exists to create the political will for a livable world by enabling individual breakthroughs in the exercise of personal and political power. Utah Tech University SET Building room 420, 225 S. University Ave. (700 E.), St. George.

4D BARRELS Triple C Arena, 50 E. 800 N., Panguitch.

"HOMESTEAD" 6 PM. Come see the premiere of the new film celebrating the 50th anniversary of Frontier Homestead State Park. Where history becomes your story, an interactive historic experience. It will be followed by a pioneer-style dance. Frontier Homestead State Park, 635 N. Main St., Cedar City.

MARK BOGGS AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. An eclectic mix of different songs from Elton John, Chuck Berry, Aretha Franklin, and more. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

Fri, April 14

SUMA: CREATE PLAYDATE 10 AM. Create Playdate is a time for parents to bond with their young children over hands-on activities. Southern Utah Museum of Art, 13 S. 300 W., Cedar City.

VIRGIN VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY PIONEER DUTCH OVEN DINNER 6 PM. Come help raise money for the preservation of historical buildings: Adults \$20, Children \$10, Family \$60. Heritage Park, 121 Elwin Whipple Way, Mesquite.



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CALENDAR

SUU JAZZ CONCERT 7:30 PM. Heritage Center Theatre, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

PREDELO LATIN NIGHT AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR 9 PM. Blues Katz Rock n' Roll Bar, 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

Sat, April 15

FREE LANDSCAPE WORKSHOP: LAWN CONVERSIONS 8 AM. Explore best practices in converting your lawn to water-efficient landscaping. This class will be offered in-person and online. Washington County Water Conservancy District, 533 E. Waterworks Dr., St. George.

SUMA: ARTS FESTIVAL 11 AM. SUMA: Arts Festival SUU's 2nd annual Arts Festival: A Midspring Daydream. Inspired by the upcoming Utah Shakespeare Festival production of A Midsummer Night's Dream. Art, whimsy with poetry, hands-on activities, dance, and music performances. Plenty of local artisans, food vendors, and upbeat entertainment to enjoy. Admission is FREE. SUMA - Southern Utah Museum of Art, 13 S. 300 W., Cedar City.

SOUP TOWN DAYS Noon. The ducks are getting lined up and ready for Soup Town Days! Lawn Mower Races 1 PM., Bed Races 3 PM. Kids Games- These will be the games the early settlers played- do you know what they were??? And so much more. North Events Center, 475 North State Street, St. George.

SO U COMEDY THEATER 7 PM. Our main show is our IMPROV! show. Our performers get suggestions from you, the audience, that we use to inspire hilarious scenes and characters made up right there on the spot. Every show is unique! We do a family-friendly show at 7 pm and an uncensored show at 9 pm. Dixie Convention Center, 1835 S Convention Center Dr, St. George.

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

LINDSEY STIRLING 8 PM. Tickets starting at \$60. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

Sun, April 16

GARY HUFF AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. Contemporary Music. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

Mon, April 17

VVAA GENERAL MEETING 11 AM. Mesquite Fine Arts Center, 15 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

SKY ALLEN - MUSIC & MARKET MONDAYS AT THE BIT & SPUR 5-8 PM. A blend of Neo-Soul, Blues, Folk, rock and reggae. 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

Tues, April 18

BELKNAP TRANSITION LESSONS 12:45 PM. Beaver.

JAMIT (THE DUO!) AT CASABLANCA 6 PM. You remember one of the Skydome's favorite bands "Jamit"? Well here are AJ and Tim bringing you all the fun and variety of Jamit as a duo! Classic Rock, R&B and Dance music keeping you on the dance floor all night long! Free. 21 or older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

FIND MORE EVENTS EVERYDAY AT SUINDEPENDENT.COM

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 mayeb Bradley@gmail.com. (801)815-7854. No Registration. St. George, 162 N. 400 E., Suite B200, St. George.

Wed, April 19

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 also plan monthly service projects where we volunteer as a group. St. George Area Chamber of Commerce, 136 N. 100 E., St. George.

Thurs, April 20

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. Studies have shown the many benefits of children reading to dogs. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

DIXIE HIGH: DMS ORCHESTRA CONCERT 4 PM. Auditorium. Dixie High School, 350 E. 700 S., St. George.

MOHEY TAWA TRYOUT AUDITIONS 4 PM. Cedar High School, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

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.

CEDAR SKIES AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. Americana. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

CCMA - DUO BEAUX ARTS 7:30 PM. Heritage Center Theatre, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

Fri, April 21

GREG ISTOCK AT BIT AND SPUR 6 PM. Singer, songwriter, percussionist. Playing an organic mix of roots music, rhythm and blues, and a little jazz for flavor. Bit & Spur Restaurant & Saloon, 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

CHRIS JANSON 7 PM. Washington County Legacy Park, 5500 W. 700 S., Hurricane.

CHOIR & ORCHESTRA CONCERT - LUX AETERNA 7:30 PM. Adults: \$10, Alumni: \$8 with card, Youth: \$5. SUU Students/Faculty/Staff: Free with valid ID Heritage Center Theatre, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

PREDELO LATIN NIGHT AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR 9 PM. Blues Katz Rock n' Roll Bar, 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

Sat, April 22

CHISEL RANCH SORTING Triple C Arena, 50 E. 800 N., Panguitch.

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

COLOR COUNTRY ROCK SHOWS 10 AM. Vendors and Customers wanted! Come for Rocks, Minerals, Crystals, Beads, Metaphysical, Jewelry, and more. Drawings for prizes during the event must be present to win. Admission is FREE and open to everyone. For information call 435 275-4445. Cedar Rock and Bead Shop, 718 W. 400 N. 1, Cedar City.

KITE FESTIVAL 10 AM. Cedar Middle School Lawn, 2215 W. Royal Hunte Dr., Cedar City.

MESQUITE SPRING FESTIVAL 10 AM. 100 E Old Mill Rd., Mesquite.

FOOD TRUCK SATURDAY AT THE WELCOME CENTER 11 AM. Nevada Welcome Center, 460 Sandhill Blvd., Mesquite.

JAC: OPEN MIC NIGHT 7 PM. Every second and fourth Friday of each month. Each artist will have a 7-minute set. First come, first served signups at the door. A \$5 donation is required for entry. For information and questions please email info@johnsonartscenter.org. Johnson Center for Community Arts & Education, 59 N. 100 W., Cedar City.

IMPROV: THE MULLIGAN FAMILY REUNION 7 PM. Live. Improv. Comedy. Come join in on The Mulligan Family Reunion and experience comedy like you rarely get to see it. The Mulligan Family Reunion will perform long-form improv, using your suggestions as inspiration. It's all made up, right there on the spot. Art Provides, 35 N. Main St., St. George.

PERCUSSION FESTIVAL CONCERT 7:30 PM. Thorley Music Recital Hall, 351 W. University Blvd., Cedar City.

DUDE BEKY AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR 8 PM. Pop Punk. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

Sun, April 23

JERRY SEARE AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. Contemporary. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

RONALD'S LITTLE FACTORY - POST MORMON MOVIE 7:15 PM. Ronald's Little Factory is a dark comedy about a 19-year-old Mormon boy who handcuffs his hands to his bedpost to keep himself from "sinning." Megaplex at Pineview, 2376 Red Cliffs Drive, St. George.

Mon, April 24

MASON COTTAM - MUSIC & MARKET MONDAYS AT THE BIT & SPUR 5-8 PM. Mason plays an eclectic breed of a folk, acoustic rock, jazz sound which incorporates cultural influences in a seamless, infectious harmony. This is a weather-permitting event. 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

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

Tues, April 25

CJ SIMMONS AT CASABLANCA 6 PM. What's more country than rock, but with an edge? - Nashville Duo CJ Simmons - aka Christian and Jessica. They mix high voltage tunes with rock and good ole classic country. CJ Simmons has one goal in mind, making the best possible music and having a good time doing it! 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

SENSORY FRIENDLY TUESDAY EVENINGS 5 PM. Every fourth Tuesday of the month, we invite families in our community to explore the Museum in a sensory modified environment with limited admission. These events are exclusively for families who have a family member with sensory processing differences. Admission is free with required registration. St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St., St. George.

SPRING SING LOVE IS IN THE AIR - THE HALF NOTES WOMEN'S CHORUS & MESQUITE MEN'S CHORUS 6:30 PM. Purchase Tickets: \$12 per ticket. Online: MCTNV.COM, In-Person: Mesquite Fine Arts Center. One hour prior to showtime at the box office. Mesquite Community Theatre, 150 N. Yucca St., Mesquite.

Wed, April 26

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

BOBCAT 7 PM. Hive 435 Taphouse, 61 W. St George Blvd., St. George.

Thurs, April 27

DIXIE HIGH: CARBO LOAD 5 PM. Commons. Dixie High School, 350 E. 700 S., St. George.

TOURING ARTIST ERIC CAROFFINO AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. Folk, Classic Rock and Pop. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

HOODING CEREMONY FOR MASTER'S DEGREE GRADUATES 7 PM. Visit suu.edu/graduation for more information. America First Event Center, 351 W. Center St., Cedar City.

Fri, April 28

SUU COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY 8:30 AM. Visit suu.edu/graduation for more information. America First Event Center, 351 W Center St, Cedar City.

BLOOD DRIVE-RED CROSS - MESQUITE 10 AM. Mesquite Recreation Center will be collecting blood to donate to Red Cross to help people in need. Schedule your appointment to Red Cross at <https://www.redcrossblood.org> and search for available dates and times with our Zip Code: 89027 or call Red Cross at 800-733-2767 for assistance. Mesquite Recreation Center, 100 W. Old Mill Rd., Mesquite.

COLLEGE OF PERFORMING & VISUAL ARTS DEGREE CONVOCATION 12:30 PM. America First Event Center, 351 W. Center St., Cedar City.

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

TOM BENNETT AT THE BIT & SPUR 6 PM. Tom Bennett sings country and is based out of SLC. Bit & Spur Restaurant & Saloon, 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

MORGAN JAMES 7:30 PM. Cox Performing Arts Center, 325 S. 700 E., St. George.

PREDELO LATIN NIGHT AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR 9 PM. Blues Katz Rock n' Roll Bar, 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

Sat, April 29

FREE LANDSCAPE WORKSHOP: ALL THINGS TREES 10 AM. Learn about planting and caring for trees in our desert climate. The Garden at Tonaquint Park, 1851 S. Dixie Dr., St. George.

WASHINGTON CITY HERITAGE SHOW 10 AM. Celebrate the history of Washington City as part of Cotton Days! View local art and meet the artists. The Southern Utah Weavers will be spinning & weaving cotton with an activity for the kids. Relax and enjoy the Mesquite Western Poets' cowboy poetry and music. Relief Society Hall, 75 W. Telegraph St., Washington.

REALESTATE INVESTING SCHOOL 1 PM. Dixie Center, 1835 Convention Center Dr, St. George.

GEEZY FEST 2023 5 PM. Red Cliffs, 770 Red Cliffs Dr, St. George.

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Sun, April 30

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

Mon, May 1

PAWS FOR TALES-READ TO A DOG 4 PM. Children can read to registered therapy dogs. Studies have shown the many benefits of children reading to dogs. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

RIVER HOUSE BAND - MUSIC & MARKET MONDAYS AT THE BIT & SPUR 5-8 PM. Blues/Southern Rock/Classic Rock/Country/Roots To Rock. This is a weather-permitting event. 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

BAND CONCERT 7:30 PM. Cedar High School, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

Tues, May 2

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

ART RECEPTION 5:30 PM. Cedar High School, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

SNOW CANYON HIGH: SCMS BAND/ ORCH CONCERT 5 PM. Snow Canyon High School, 1385 Lava Flow Dr., St. George.

ARTS COUNCIL MTG 5:30 PM. Monthly board meeting of the Mesquite Arts Council. The public is welcome. Anyone wishing to volunteer or join the Mesquite Arts Council is encouraged to attend. Contact: Gwen Olsen 702-346-2787, golsen47@yahoo.com. Mesquite Arts Council Office, 150 N. Yucca Street Room 23, Mesquite.

LETTERS FROM HOME: THE 50 STATES TOUR 7 PM. Heritage Center Theatre, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

Wed, May 3

FOREIGN FILM CLUB 6 PM. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

Thurs, May 4

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

DAVE COMPTON AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. Piano and vocals. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

Fri, May 5

SPRING FLING & BIRDHOUSE PARADE 5 PM. Booths, interactive displays, children's activities, music, refreshments and more. The Garden at Tonaquint Park, 1851 S. Dixie Dr., St. George.

GARY HUFF AT THE BIT & SPUR 6 PM. Contemporary Music. Bit & Spur Restaurant & Saloon, 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

PRENDELO LATIN NIGHT AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR 9 PM. Blues Katz Rock n' Roll Bar. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

Sat, May 6

SPRINGTIME COMMUNITY EVENT AT THREE PEAKS OASIS 12 PM. Three Peaks Oasis is hosting a Springtime Community Event to kickoff our festival year! Enjoy local music and food with friends and family! Food Trucks, Inflatables, Zip Lines, Water Slide Jump, Overnight Camping, & More. 11 Miles North of the Cedar City Airport on Lund Highway in Cedar City. www.threepeaksoasis.com

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DESERT HILLS HIGH: DHHS PTA SPRING CARNIVAL AND CAR SHOW - FRONT PARKING LOT 7 AM. Desert Hills High School, 828 E. Desert Hills Dr., St. George.

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Sun, May 7

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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 locations 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 (Listed by address from ZNP Entrance)	Address	Phone	Drinks/Vegan (W)ine, (B)eer, (M)ixed Drinks (E)spresso, (V)egan items on menu	Hours	WI-FI
Red Rock Grill	1 Zion Lodge	435-772-7760	W, B, M, E, V	6:30-10:30am, 11:30am-3pm, 5-10pm daily	Yes
Zion Canyon Brew Pub	95 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0336	W, B, V	Noon-10pm daily	Yes
Happy Camper Market	95 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-7805	B, V	8am-8pm daily	Yes
Thai Sapa	145 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0510	W, B, E, V	11:30am-9:30pm daily	No
Perks Coffee Shop	147 Zion Park Blvd	435-668-0446	E	7am-4pm daily	No
Café Soleil	205 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0505	W, B, M, E, V	7am-9pm daily	No
Spotted Dog Cafe	428 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0700	W, B, M, E, V	7-11am, 5pm-9pm daily	Yes
Whiptail Grill	445 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0283	W, B, V	Noon-9:30pm daily	Yes
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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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 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 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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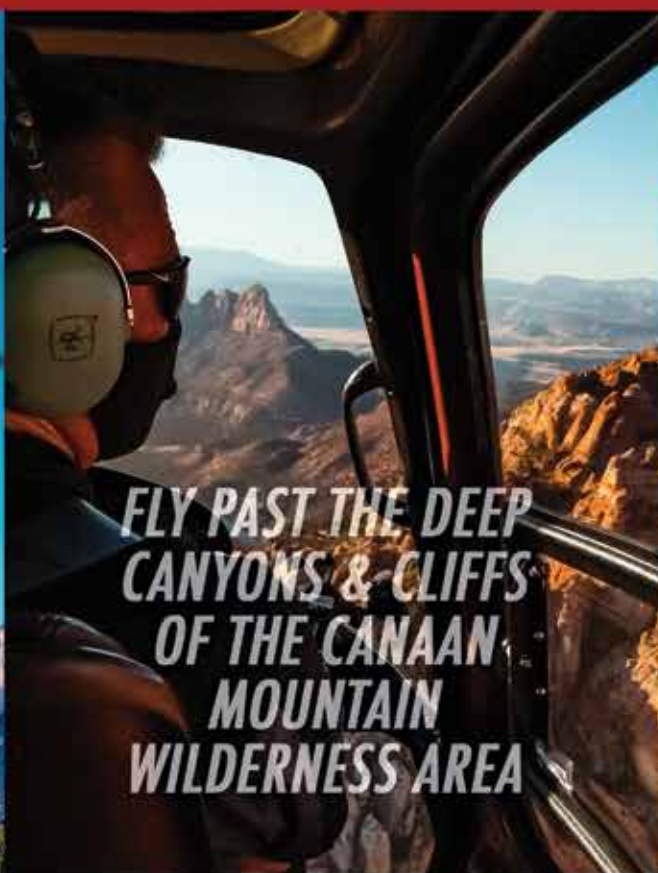


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2023 UPDATES FOR ZION NATIONAL PARK SHUTTLE SYSTEM

Zion Canyon Shuttle System

No ticket, permit, or reservation needed to ride the park shuttle or enter Zion National Park

You do not need a permit or reservation to visit most areas in Zion Canyon.

You do not need a permit or reservation to ride a park shuttle.

You do not need a permit or reservation to enter the park.

You do need to pay the park fee.

You do not need a permit to hike the Narrows from the Temple of Sinawava going upstream in the Virgin River.

High water may prevent travel in the Narrows, so check the park's current conditions before you start your day.

Everyone who hikes from Scout Lookout to Angels Landing needs to have a permit. Learn more about the Angels Landing Pilot Permit Program.

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

Zion Canyon Scenic Drive (the road that starts north of Canyon Junction) is closed to private vehicles when park shuttles are operating. The park is a large place; even when shuttles are running, you can drive a personal vehicle on the Zion Mt. Carmel Highway (which connects State Route 9 through the park), the Zion Mt. Carmel Tunnel, the Kolob Terrace Road, and Kolob Canyons Scenic Drive.

During most years, shuttles run:

Daily from March through November.

On weekends in February and March.

For the holiday season, near the end of December.

If you want to visit the Zion Canyon Scenic

Drive without riding a shuttle, you can use a bicycle or visit during the winter. The National Park Service posts updated schedule information on this webpage every season. We also update the shuttle schedule and a map of other roads in our park information guide.

How To Use The Shuttle System

The Zion Canyon Shuttle connects the Zion Canyon Visitor Center to stops on the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive. Shuttles leave every few minutes and go either north or south. You can exit the shuttle at any open stop.

Check the map to see what to expect in the park. You may get on and off at any available shuttle stop. Most visitors start shuttle trips at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, but if you are staying at the Zion Lodge, you can board the shuttle there. You cannot board a shuttle to go up the canyon (north) at Canyon Junction.

Read our Park Information Guide to see updated information about the open or closed stops.



If you drive to Zion, remember that National Park Service parking lots often fill early in the day. Paid Parking is available in the town of Springdale. If you leave your car in Springdale, you can ride the free Springdale Line shuttle to enter the park.

Learn more Traffic and Travel Tips before you arrive, and tune your radio to 1610 AM for more information.

Zion Shuttle Schedule	To May 10	May 11-Sept. 17	Springdale Shuttle Schedule	To May 10	May 11-Sept. 17
First bus into the canyon from the Zion Canyon Visitor Center	7:00 a.m.	6:00 a.m.	First shuttle leaves the Majestic View Lodge (Stop 9)	8:00 a.m.	7:00 a.m.
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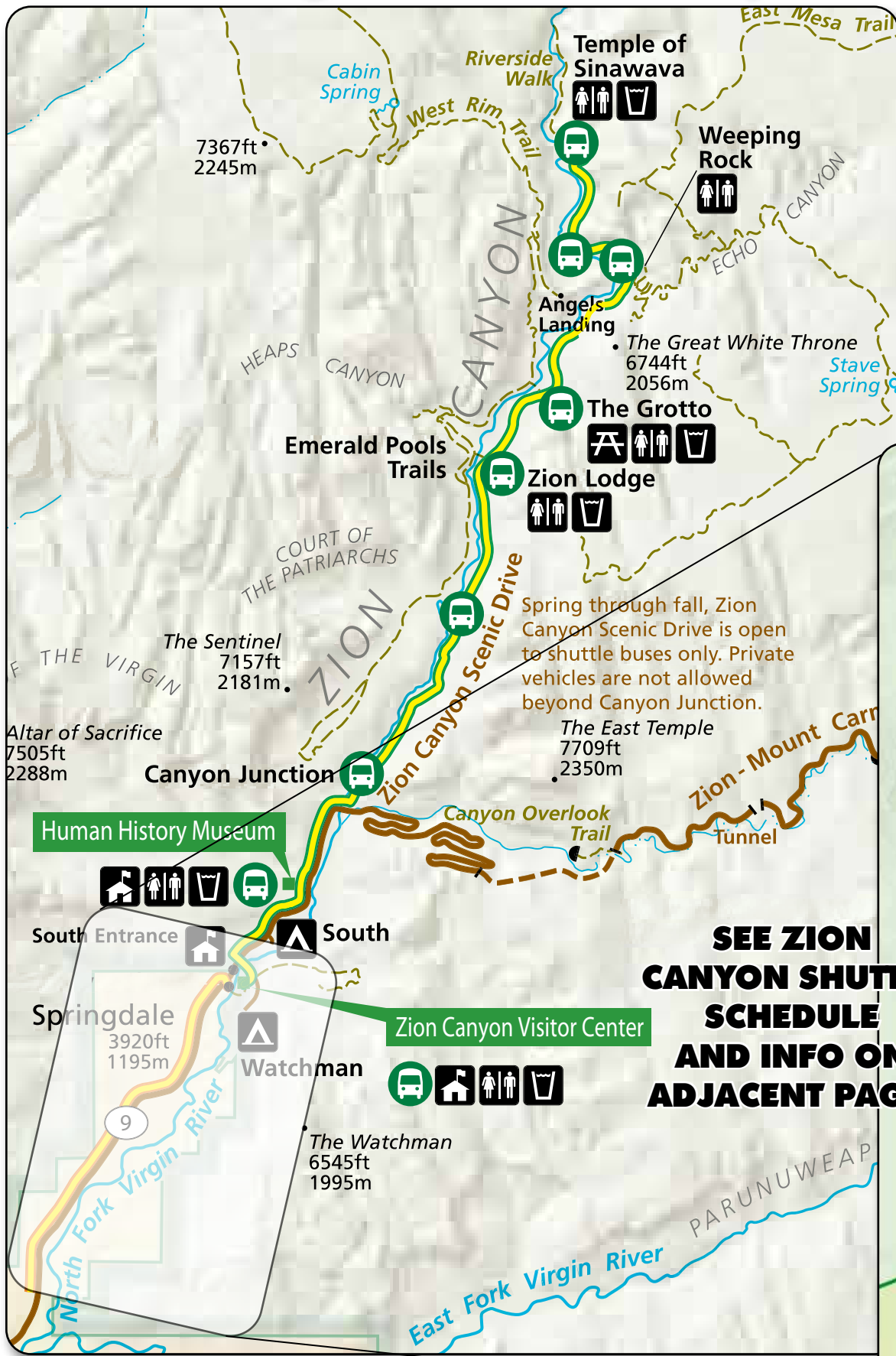
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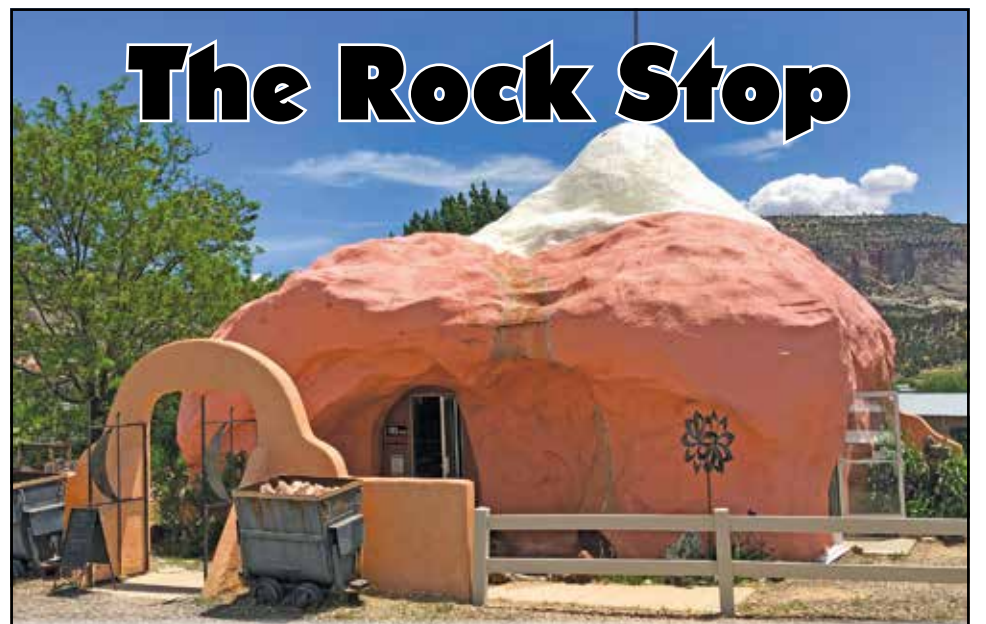
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Zion Area Annual Events Calendar

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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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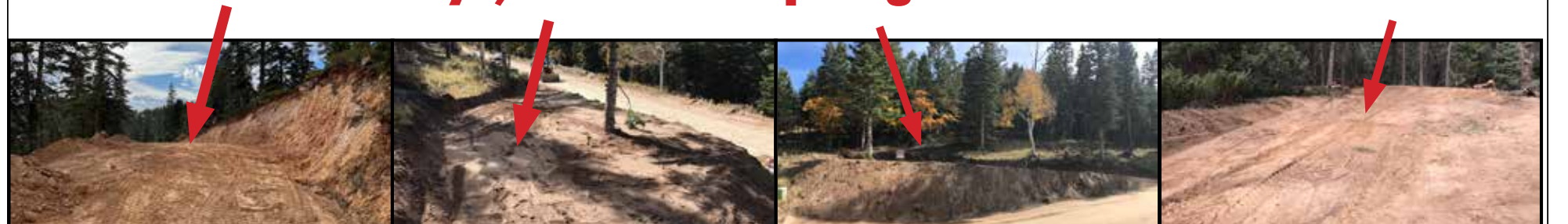
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BAKER - Baker Reservoir is a small lake on the Santa Clara River four miles north of Veyo on Utah State Route 18. It is a 63-acre lake with an average depth of about 20 feet. Many people come to the reservoir to camp at one of its 10 campsites and 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.

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

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

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

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DINOSAUR TRACKS - The St. George Dinosaur Discovery Site at Johnson Farm is home to exceptionally well-preserved dinosaur tracks, some displaying skin impressions. These tracks, along with hundreds of fossil fish, plants, rare dinosaur remains, invertebrates' traces, and important sedimentary structures, show evidence that this site was produced along the western edge of a large, Early Jurassic (age between 195-198 million years ago) freshwater lake. (435) 574-3466.

ENTERPRISE - There are two reservoirs in the Bull Valley Mountains 10 miles southwest of the town of Enterprise. The main one is Upper Enterprise Reservoir, about 250 acres with an average depth of about 50 feet, while Lower Enterprise Reservoir is 79 acres. Many come to the reservoir to camp, fish hike, and boat. The Honeycomb Campground



is situated between both lakes and has 21 campsites and flush toilets. There is a boat ramp on Upper Enterprise Reservoir and several fishing areas around both reservoirs. Fishermen will find rainbow trout and smallmouth bass here. Fees are charged.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



SNOW CANYON - Named after early Utah leaders Lorenzo and Erastus Snow, Snow Canyon State Park begins just outside of 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.

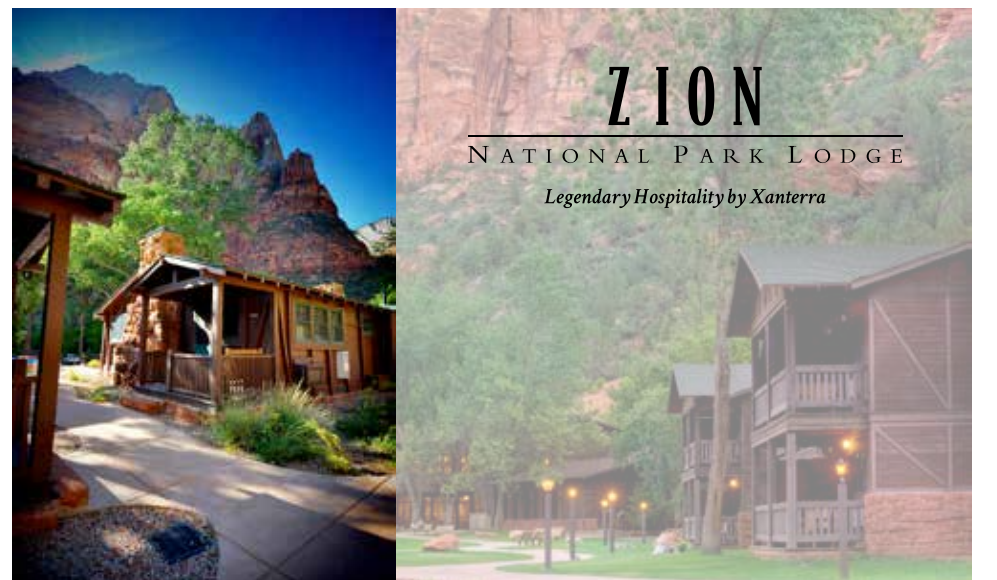
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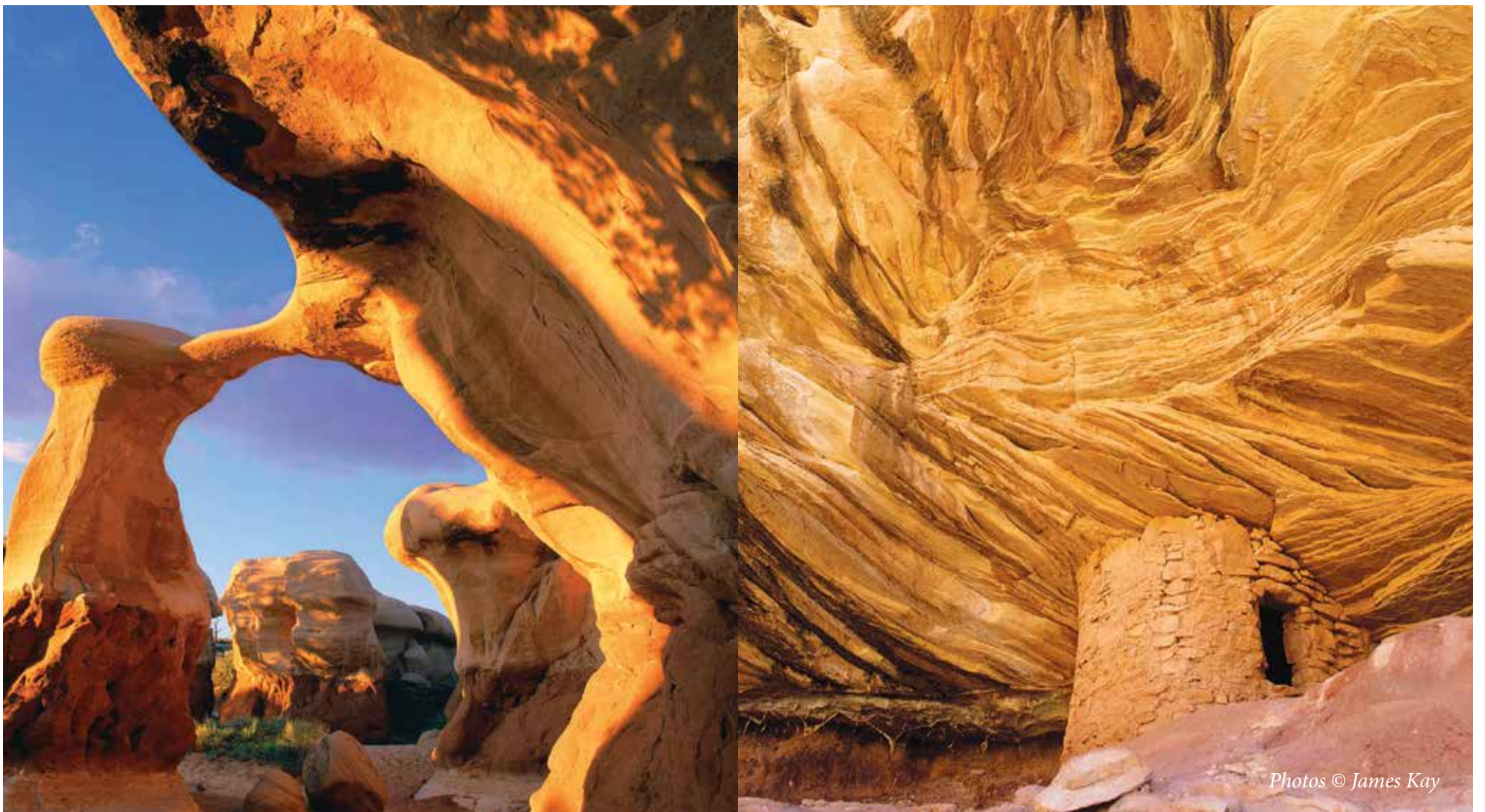
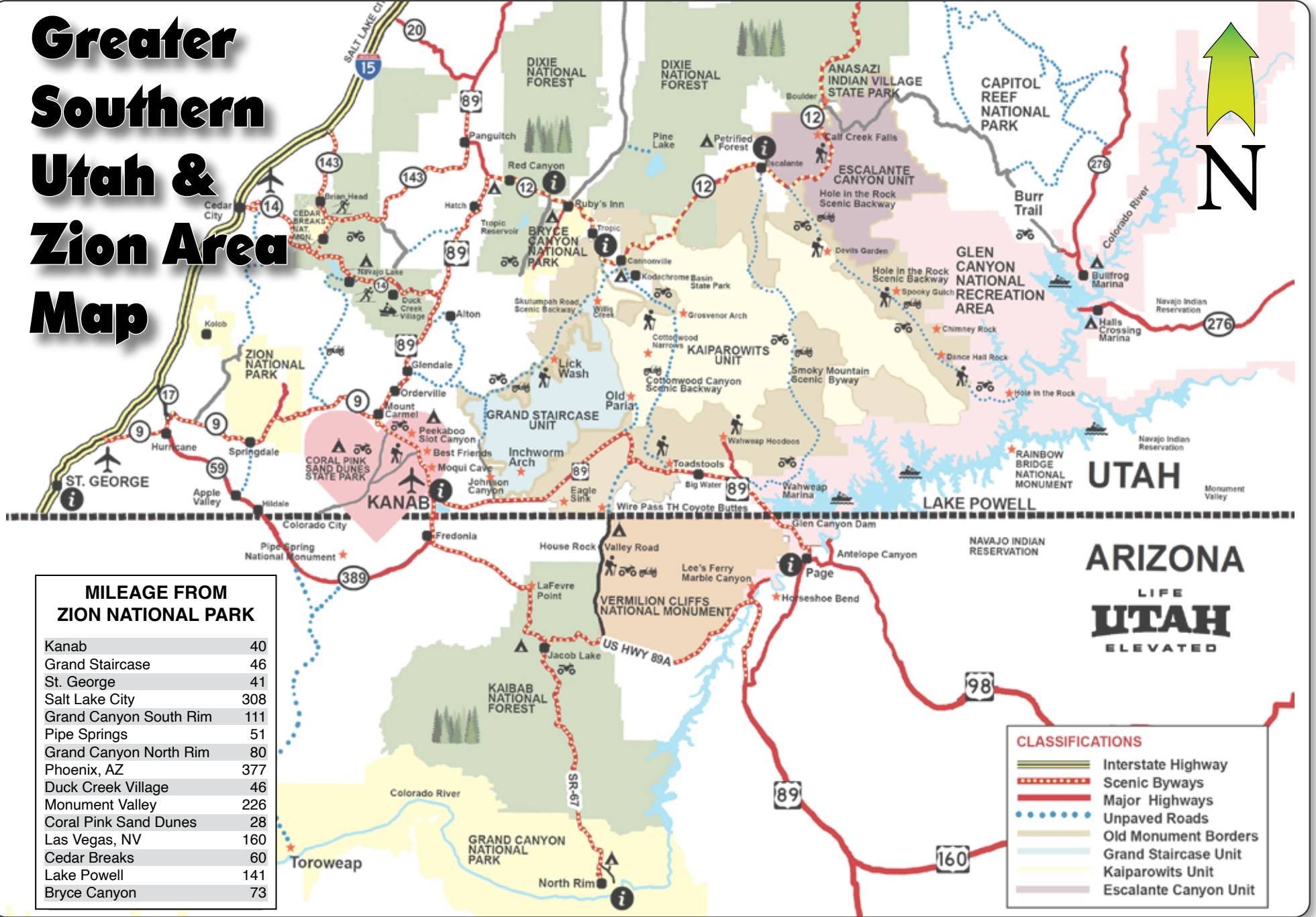
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Trail Closures (as of Nov. 2022)

Hidden Canyon Trail, Watchman Trail, and Emerald Pools (all routes). Some of these closures are temporary.

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



Chinle Trail

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

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

Chinle Trail

By Greta Hyland

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

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

Shortly after you get through the

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

Many Pools - Temporarily Closed

By Candice Reed

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

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

Overlook Trail

By Charlotte Emmet

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.

The East Rim Trail

By Bo Beck and Tanya Milligan

After positioning a vehicle or making shuttle arrangements at the Weeping Rock parking lot, watch for the small "trailhead" sign along the Zion-Mt. Carmel Highway, immediately west of the east entrance booth.

This trail is said to be one of the most scenic in all of Zion National Park and is on many lists as one of the best hikes in Utah. This trek begins on the east side of the park and climbs over 1,400 feet to the rim. This hike begins with a backdoor view of Checkerboard Mesa as it skirts Clear Creek for a short time and steadily and gently climbs through a juniper and pine forest. On top of the mesa, scenery gets interesting as a spectacular view of Echo Canyon takes center stage.

The downhill finish is spectacular, keeping an almost constant view of some of Zion's greatest landmarks, including Angels Landing, Organ, Great White Throne, and in the distance is Cathedral Mountain.

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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, covers just under 5 1/2 miles, and requires a permit to hike. 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



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

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.

Kayenta Trail

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

Canyon Overlook Trail

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

a 163-foot gain in elevation over the course of a mile. This rocky and uneven trail ends at a viewpoint for Pine Creek Canyon and lower Zion Canyon. While this trail is mostly fenced, there are long drop-offs.

Taylor Creek Trail

You'll begin this five-mile hike at 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 - Temporarily Closed Due To Falling Ice

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.

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PERMIT PROCESS FOR HIKING ANGELS LANDING IN ZION

Apply to hike Angels Landing in April and May

SPRINGDALE, Utah – Planning a visit to Zion National Park this summer? Are you hoping to hike Angels Landing? Starting this year, you must apply for a permit to hike at Angels Landing and you can now visit www.recreation.gov and click on Permits. Everyone who hikes Angels Landing must have a permit.

“We expect many visitors will want to apply for a permit, so we took care to make our process accessible, flexible, and fair.” Superintendent Jeff Bradybaugh said. “Lotteries were the right fit for Angels Landing because they give certainty about application periods and flexibility so that

people can fill out the application when it’s convenient for them.”

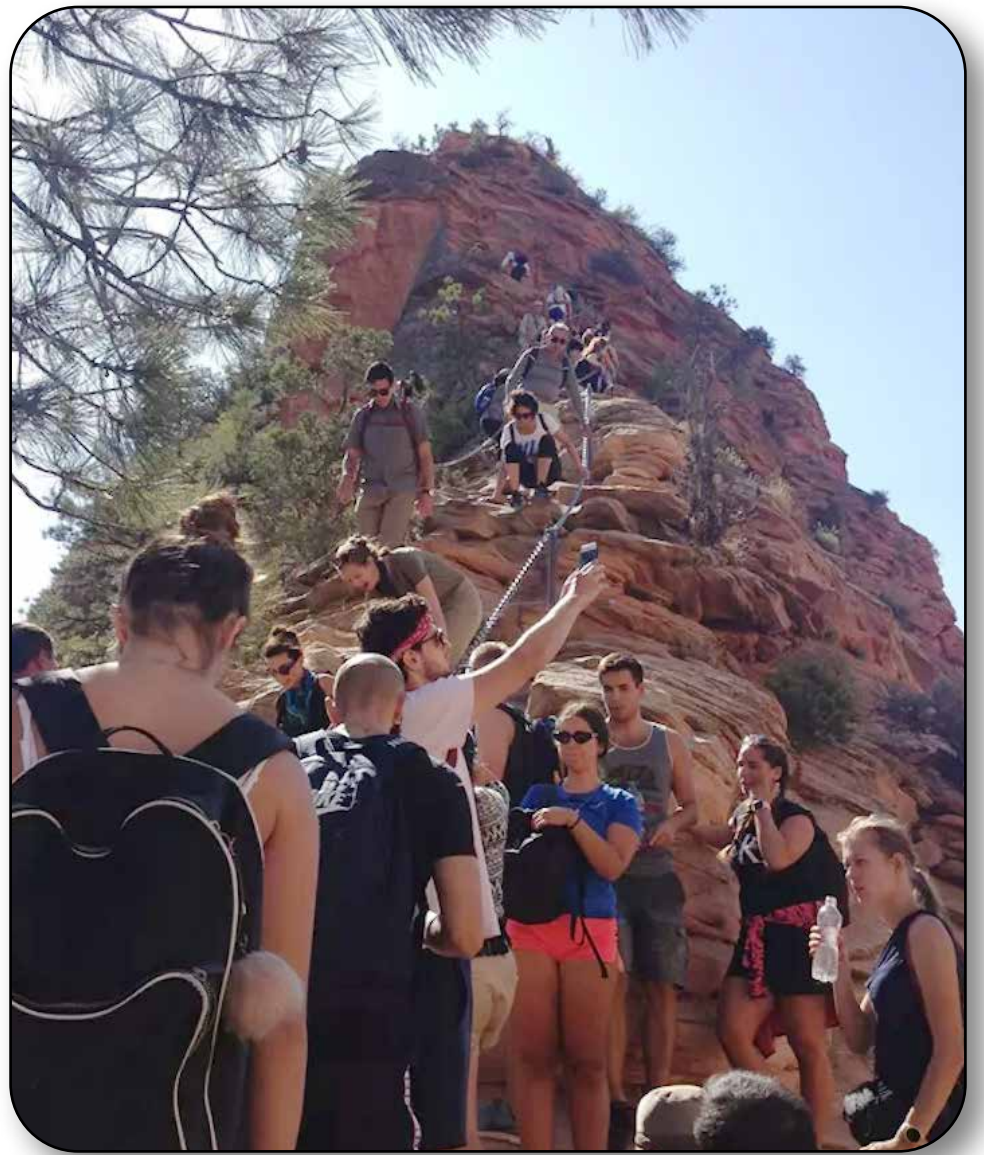
Need to know

- All advanced ‘Spring Seasonal Permits’ for April 1st until May 31st have been awarded except for Day-Before permits.
- Starting April 1st, 2023, you can apply for ‘Day-Before’ lotteries. (Apply one day in advance of your desired hiking date) through May 30th, 2023.
- ‘Summer Seasonal Applications’ will be available April 1st through April 20th for June 1st through August 31st permits.
- For Day-before Lottery applications, visit www.recreation.gov and click on Permits.

You can also apply by calling recreation.gov at (877) 444-6777 from 10 AM – 11:59 PM EST, every day except for Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year’s Day.

On April 25th, recreation.gov will email the results for the Summer Seasonal applications to every applicant. This means hikers with permits can start planning hikes to Angels Landing ahead of time. For example, hikers with permits to hike in June will have up to four months to plan trips.

The lottery schedule is posted at www.recreation.gov then click on permits, and we will share news releases and social media updates when we open those permit lotteries.



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About Zion’s Angels Landing Pilot Permit Program

On and after April 1, everyone hiking past Scout Lookout to Angels Landing needs to have a permit. This means you need a permit to hike on the half-mile section of the trail with chains. Hikers do not need a permit to go to Scout Lookout.

This is a pilot program, and the National Park Service (NPS) will monitor and adjust it as needed. The pilot permit program reflects comments from nearly 1,000 members of the public, park neighbors, and other stakeholders.

Angels Landing is one of many places people enjoy hiking in Zion National Park.

The park recorded about 2.8 million total visits in 2011 and nearly 4.5 million visits in 2019. As the number of people who visit Zion continues to rise, the NPS is preparing a plan designed to provide high-quality visitor experiences and sustainably manage park resources. The Angels Landing Pilot Permit Program will inform that planning process.

For a list of great hikes check out our ‘Popular’ and ‘Less-Traveled’ hikes here within the Zion Guide. Always check the weather forecast before hiking in canyons. Please visit www.nps.gov for the latest updated information.

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Featured Hike

WEST CINDER KNOLL TRAIL, RED CLIFFS DESERT RESERVE

By Tom Garrison

Trail: West Cinder Knoll Trail
 Location: Red Cliffs Desert Reserve near Hurricane, Utah
 Difficulty: Easy, but not well marked trail. There are several user trails intersecting the main trail.
 Average hiking time: Less than 1 1/2 hours at a leisurely pace with much time for exploring.
 Elevation: The trailhead is 3,240 feet elevation with about a 140 feet elevation change.
 Family Friendly: Yes.
 Getting there: To reach the trailhead from St. George, proceed east to Hurricane along State Route 9 (aka State Street). In Hurricane, turn left (north) onto 2260 West where the Sleep Inn & Suites is on the northeast corner. Continue north for .5 mile and turn right (east) onto 600 North. After approximately 1.1 mile is a small parking area, good for four or five cars, and a stepover on the left (north) side of the road. This is the trailhead.



Experts agree the loudest sound in recorded history was the Krakatoa (in modern day Indonesia) volcanic eruption in 1883. The main eruption was heard in Perth, Australia almost 2,000 miles away. Everybody, except those in the path of destruction, loves a fire breathing volcanic eruption. Who can forget the story of the buried Roman city Pompei, compliments of a bang-up eruption by Mt. Vesuvius in 79 AD?

The word volcano is derived from the Latin "Vulcanus," the Roman god of fire. Anyone who has explored southwest Utah knows there are many dead (well, hopefully dead) volcanoes in the area. Their calderas are everywhere. (A caldera is a large depression formed when a volcano erupts and collapses.)

My wife, Deb, and I have hiked in and around several ancient volcanoes in our 35 years of desert hiking. It was time for another—West Cinder Knoll just north of Hurricane. West Cinder Knoll, located in the eastern most section of the Red Cliffs Desert Reserve, is a collapsed caldera with great views from the top. It is an easy 2.1 mile round trip adventure.

We parked and began our hike along West Cinder Knoll Trail about 9:30 am under cloudy sky with the temperature in the mid-60s. The trailhead elevation is 3,240 feet with about a 140 feet elevation change during the hike.

Be aware that there are several user trails branching off and intersecting the main trail and only a couple of trail signs. While I encourage exploring, be sure to know your surroundings and how to return to the main trail.

There is not a trailhead sign for West Cinder Knoll Trail. There is a chain on the gate of the stepover. Remember to close the gate and put the chain back. We hopped over the stepover and headed northwest on a wide track.

Staying on the main track, we came to a major desert trail junction like spokes in a wheel at .4 mile. There were five (counting the one we were on) trails coming together. Numbering the trails one through five, with one being the trail we were on (heading northwest), we took number five (counting counterclockwise) going southwest. There was an official sign laying on the ground indicating our choice as the official West Cinder Knoll Trail.

After about 1/4 mile the trail curves to the northwest and gently climbs up the caldera slope. The trail, composed of mostly fine cinders soon reaches the top of the knoll. The knoll is a volcanic cone that has been extensively mined

for the cinders. Approximately 1/2 mile from the junction (about .9 mile from the trailhead) is a fork in the trail. The right fork heads east into the reddish-brown heart of the caldera; the left goes northwest and circles back east. We took the right fork and trekked into the center of the ancient volcano.

This section was gently rolling hills and we quickly reached the pit of the caldera. At the bottom was undoubtedly the handiwork of locals—white rocks arranged in various shapes and words. We circled around the southern side and about half-way up the eastern side. From this vantage point the views, even on a cloudy day, were amazing—Pine Valley Mountains to the north, East Cinder Knoll to the east, and portions of Hurricane Valley to the south.

We followed a well-trod trail descending the eastern slope of the caldera heading south. Before long we reached a trail intersection and went left (east) which eventually led us to the five trail junction mentioned above. From there we retraced our steps to the trailhead.

The vegetation along the hike is mostly a mix of creosote and sagebrush, with an occasional cactus. We did not see any wildlife, although common inhabitants include rabbits, lizards, hawks, and other small desert dwelling birds.

This 2.1 mile round trip easy hike is perfect for folks wanting to "get away from it all" for a couple of hours. We saw only three other hikers during our journey. It is close by with easy access and features a dead volcano and good views.

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