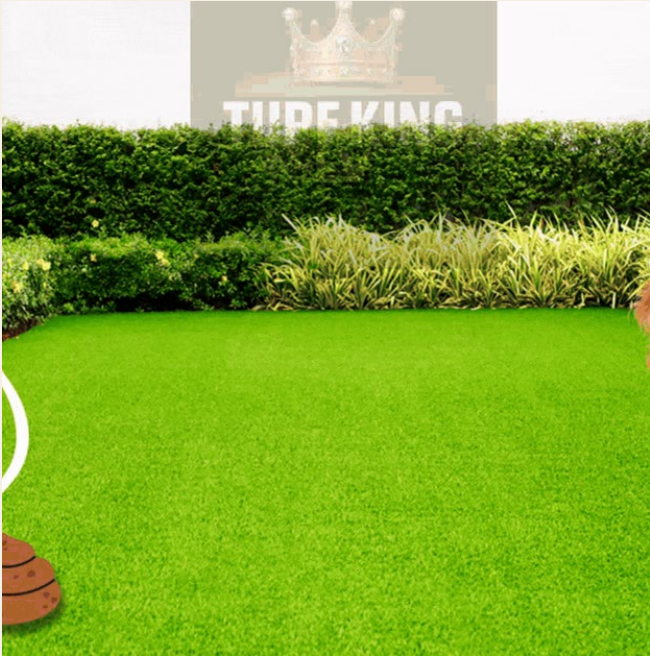


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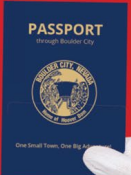
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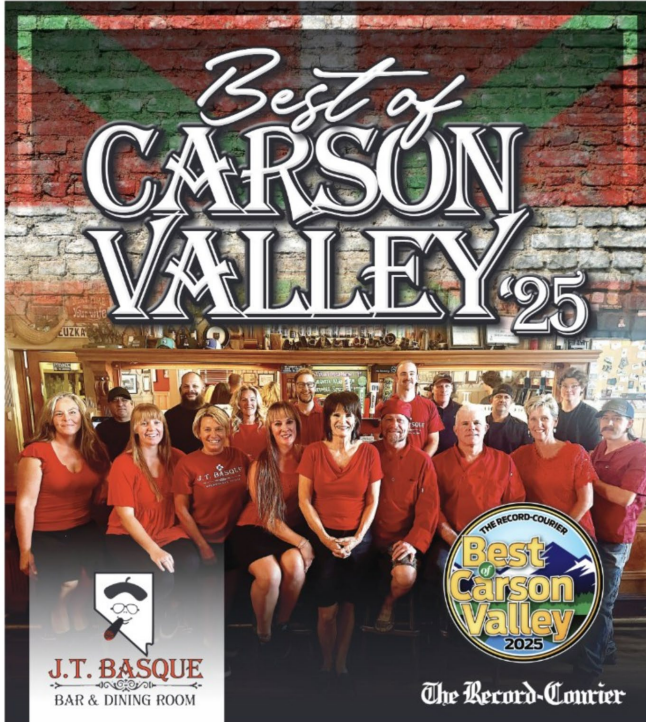


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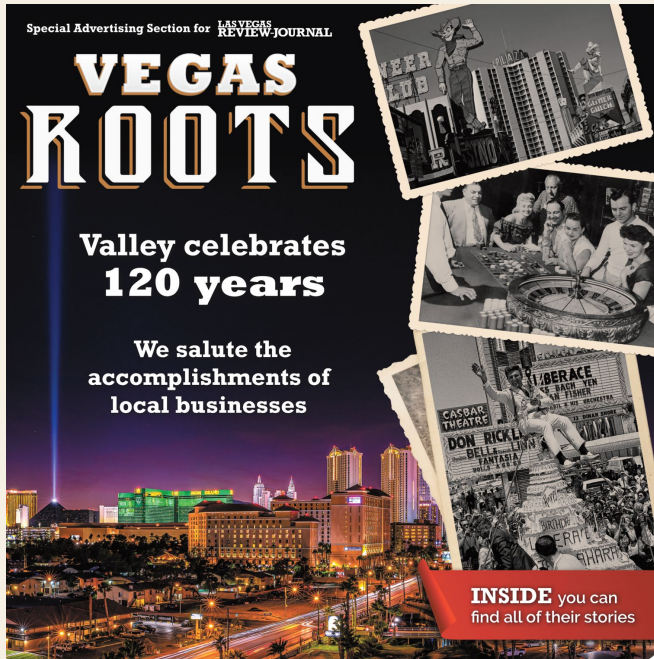
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Art and Culture Commentary

College

Title: The Rapture happened. Classes resume Friday.
Byline: Shawn Carney, Asst. Opinion Editor

At 9:12 a.m. on Tuesday, a swarm of bees, six pigeons and seven construction workers on Maryland Parkway miraculously vanished mid-shift in what officials are calling the “Rapture.”

Witnesses reported a cloud of dust and hard hats briefly suspended in midair. “I thought it was just a dust devil,” said a student who requested anonymity for religious reasons. “I was by Greenspun, and then I noticed my Uber driver had gone too, so I just went to class.” At press time, sources could not confirm whether the driver had been tipped.

A nearby custodian, Mare E. Juana, gave his account of what he witnessed. “The workers just went up. They left their lunch pails. Nothing good in them.” He added, “Some mosquitoes floated up too. Good riddance.”

A self-described “almost-appointed” CSUN president urged students, “We Rebels must stay strong, hydrate, and I strongly advise you to keep up to date on shots.” Mass emails were sent to students’ Rebelmail accounts that said, “While we acknowledge divine rapture, midterms will proceed as scheduled.”

On UNLV campus, students’ reactions were frenzied. Students have been screaming, “Take me too” and “Rapture me, daddy” at dormant cars as they believe the owners have ascended. Lied Library in particular is ghostly quiet, with most students either typing or reading. UNLV senior and part time Lied employee Eye Reed said “A bunch of textbooks floated upwards. They even took the books on business and psychology.”

Elsewhere on campus, entire demographics seemed targeted. Reports confirm the UNLV marching band has vanished without a trace. Their instruments remain scattered across the football field — though the whereabouts of the flutes are currently unknown, pending investigation. In an off-the-record exchange, a registrar staffer admitted, “I didn’t even know we had a marching band.”

Religious groups on campus are scrambling to respond. UNLV’s Bible Club convened an emergency meeting in the Student Union, which ended in chaos when Vice President Eve Adams shouted, “Has anyone seen The Good Place? This is just like The Good Place!”

UNLV has also started issuing safety advisories. The university has advised students to avoid open skies between 11 A.M. and 5 P.M. If they must, it is being advised that a buddy system be employed. Interim President of UNLV, Hugh Jazz was overheard telling students, “If you feel



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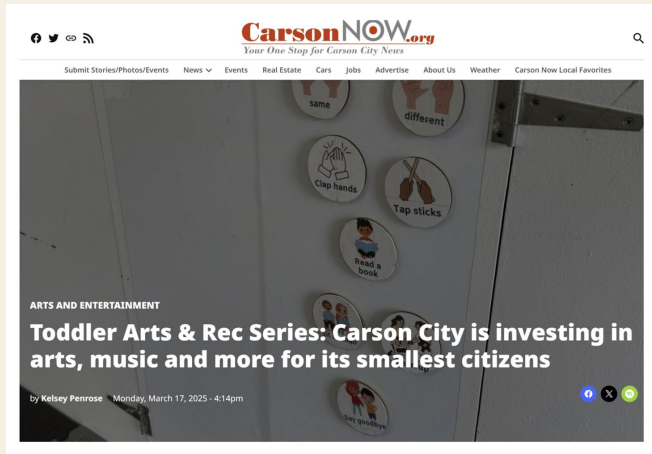
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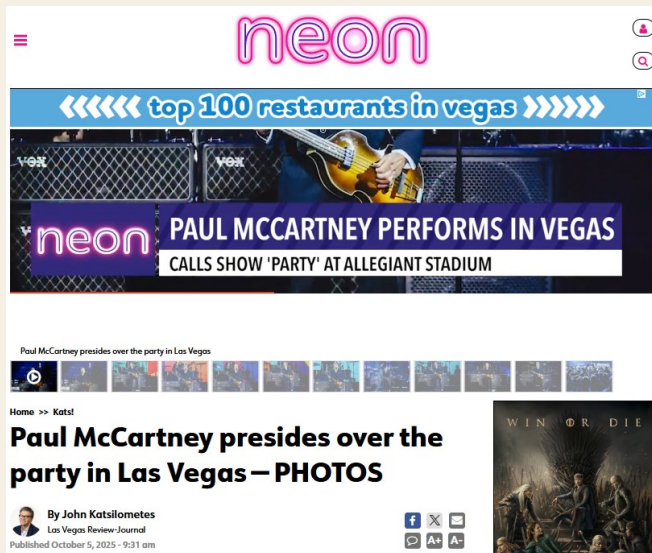
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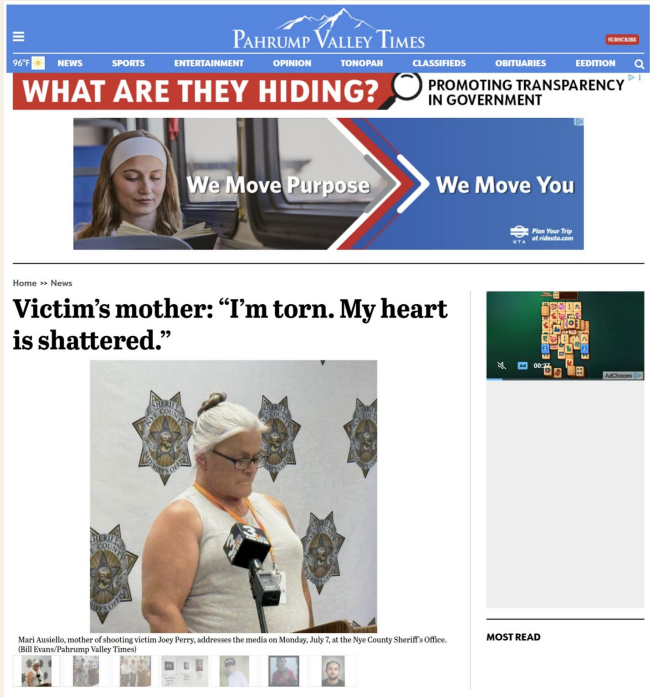
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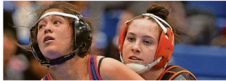
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Victim's mother: "I'm torn. My heart is shattered."

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A look at boys, girls All-Region wrestling

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CASTLE PEAK AVALANCHE

8 SKIERS NOW CONFIRMED DEAD



Rescue ski teams set out to rescue a group of skiers in an avalanche near Castle Peak in Truckee, Calif. The Nevada County Sheriff's Office reports six survivors, eight dead and one unaccounted for as Feb. 9's winter storm season's worst.

Four men, two women found alive Tuesday; one person still missing

**Siobhan McAndrew, Jaedyn Young
and Jason Hidalgo**
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USA TODAY NETWORK

For the latest news on the avalanche
and its victims, see RGJ.com.
Of the nine missing skiers that were
caught in an avalanche near Castle Peak
on Tuesday night, eight are confirmed dead
and one is still missing and presumed dead.

according to the Nevada County Sheriff's
Office.
The confirmation was made in a live
press conference from the
sheriff's office in Nevada City.

The victims, seven women and two
men, were from different states, according
to the sheriff's office. No other details
on their identities were provided, other
than one victim was the spouse of a
search and rescue volunteer.

The rescue for the six who were confirmed alive Tuesday — four men and
two women — happened around 5:30
p.m., Nevada County Sheriff Shazzan
Moore said.

The officers skied down from
a three-day task in the backcountry
north of Lake Tahoe when they were
caught in an avalanche Tuesday.

See RESCUE, Page 2A

Ethics complaint over AG's 'luxury' trips advances

Mark Robbins
New casino opened
USA TODAY NETWORK

An ethics complaint against Nevada
Attorney General Aaron Ford over pur-
ported luxury trips and social media
posts recently advanced past its initial
review stage.

The news could have big implica-
tions for the 2024 governor's race,
where Ford is the Democratic front
runner hoping to face incumbent Re-
publican Joe Lombardo in the general
election.

Rep. Armstrong, executive director
of the state ethics commission, opened
a complaint in September looking into
whether "Ford used his position as At-
torney General to benefit his private in-
terests."

The complaint lists two main con-
cerns.

• "Using his official Attorney General
social media accounts to amplify pri-
vate campaign accounts that link di-
rectly to campaign donation portals
and 'Fund for Governor' solicitations."

• "Accepting luxury international
trips valued at more than \$50,000 in
2022-2024 from the Attorney General
Alliance, a nonprofit funded largely by
corporations, some of which are subject
to regulation or litigation before his of-
fice."

On Feb. 6, a seven-page memo an-
nounced there's enough evi-
dence to bring the case to the full com-
mission for consideration.

This case not only had a patch of
ethics violations, but that the commis-
sion will have to handle it. It's not
"That hearing has not yet been sched-
uled."

Aldrin White, spokesperson for
See COMPLAINT, Page 3A

Modern tech helps, hinders Guthrie case

Perry Vandell and Rey Combs
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USA TODAY NETWORK

TRUCKEE, Calif. — The search for Henry
Guthrie is unfolding in the desert foot-
hills north of Truckee and across digital
networks, where investigators are
working to piece together physical evi-
dence and electronic traces left behind
by her possible abductors.
Authorities say a masked, armed in-
dividual was captured on video surveil-

ling with Guthrie's Google Nest doorbell
cameras. The FBI is handling requests for
after officials released surveillance im-
ages, thousands of tips poured in within
days.

Authorities have executed search war-
rants, turned a gray Range Rover from a
roadside parking lot and confirmed they
are analyzing unidentified DNA recov-
ered at Guthrie's home. No arrests have
been announced.

Experts say the case reflects how

modern crime and modern investiga-
tions now unfold simultaneously in the
physical world and online.

"It's a game of cat and mouse," said
Alicia Martin, director of Virginia Com-
monwealth University's Cybersecurity
Center, in an interview with The Arizona
Republic.

Martin said today's crimes often in-
tersect with networked devices, cloud
storage systems and digital payment
See GUTHRIE, Page 4A



Searches continue for Henry Guthrie,
the 48-year-old mother of two children
last seen near Sacramento, Calif., with
technology helping authorities to
piece together events.
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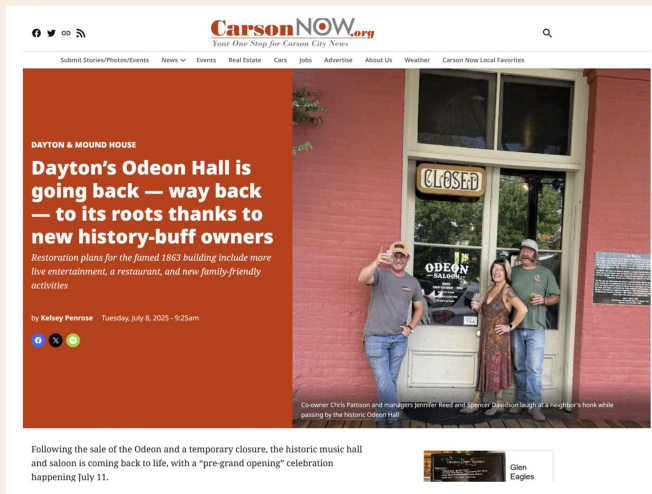


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**Soul Food: Papa What You Cooking
features homey Southern dishes.**

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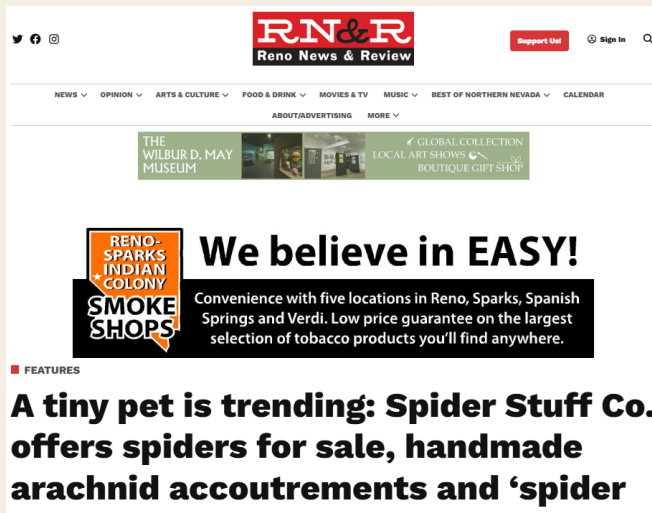


Kelsey Penrose
Carson Now

Dayton's Odeon Hall is going back
— way back — to its roots thanks to
new history-buff owners

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Reno News & Review
A tiny pet is trending

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THE DISH ON DINING All our restaurant reconnaissance

Making memories with the Moonshiners



PAHRUMP'S Liquor and Tobacco Express was absolutely packed with people on Friday, March 6 as Moonshiners Mark and Digger took part in a meet-and-greet while promoting Sugarlands Shine's Richard Petty's Petty Punch. (Robin...

By **Robin Hebrock**
Pahrump Valley Times
March 25, 2024 - 4:39 am

One of the most exciting days in the history of Liquor and Tobacco Express took place this month as the small-town store welcomed two celebrities well known in the world of adult beverages – Mark and Digger of the popular television show "Moonshiners". Partnered with Sugarlands Distilling Company, the two moonshine aficionados were in town promoting an exclusive flavor of Sugarlands Shine – Richard Petty's Petty Punch - and the reception they received was one that had both them and store owners Raj and Nisha Raju raving with utter



Robin Hebrock

Pahrump Valley Times

Making memories with the Moonshiners

Business Spot News Story

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Las Vegas Review-Journal
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lawyers for his estate

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Nevadans get few details into data centers receiving tax breaks — and it might be illegal

Audits into the data centers are largely supposed to be public record. But the state lets any compliant companies determine what the public can see.

Eric Neugeboren March 29th, 2026 at 2:00 AM Economy State Government



A Switch data center in Las Vegas on Nov. 7, 2017. (Jeff Scheid/The Nevada Independent)

Editors' Note: This is one of two stories The Indy is publishing about economic impacts and lack of transparency around Nevada's data center tax abatement program. Read the other [here](#).

In the more than 10 years since Nevada lawmakers approved a tax break program for data centers, the state has OK'd a projected \$457 million in cumulative abatements for massive projects tied to companies such as Google and Apple.

The benefit? Promises of about 300 permanent jobs, \$1 billion in new tax revenues and more than \$6.6 billion in economic activity.

However, the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) — the state agency that approves the deals — does not track whether the data centers have lived up to their economic activity and tax revenue promises. Instead, it only releases information on jobs, wages and capital expenditures, which are some of the requirements for the company to keep receiving the tax relief.

Although this public information [exceeds what is available](#) in many other states, the department does not have data on the industry's actual economic output and tax revenues — it said it is not allowed access to company-specific tax revenue information — and in an interview with *The Nevada Independent*, its director only disclosed what the company projected when it received the abatement.

It's one of many ways the public has been left with incomplete information about the actual financial costs and benefits of the increasingly controversial data center industry, according to an *Indy* analysis of 10 years of GOED meetings and abatements issued to data center companies.

GOED is also giving companies considerable sway over what information the public can access — which public records law experts said appears to violate state law.

A [copy](#) of a tax break agreement obtained by *The Nevada Independent* shows that as long as a data center company is meeting tax abatement rules, it can singlehandedly determine whether the public can access its audits.

However, that broad latitude appears to contradict [Nevada law](#), which says any audit is public record after it is complete and any appeals have been completed. Companies can only request certain information be kept confidential if it is "a trade secret or other confidential proprietary information of the business."

"It seems to flip the statute itself on its head," said Jake Valentine, a lawyer with the American Civil Liberties Union of Nevada.

Exceptions to state [public records law](#) include the section on audits, which GOED said gives its "position legal grounding." These exceptions include other parts of Nevada law where public access to records is allowed in some, but not all cases.

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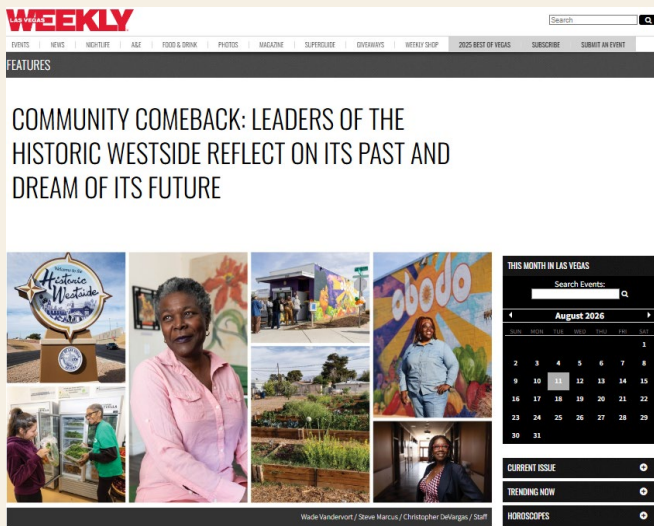


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OUR TAKE

Scammers changing daily way of life

How are there a half-dozen California residents, who require a Mandarin translator, facing felony charges in Douglas County related to text and email used to allegedly extort our residents?

That's the question underlying the cases that have popped up since September regarding a sudden spate of cybercrimes that have been rilling through the courts.

We haven't got a good accounting of how much money was involved, but we know the case in September involved \$800,000, since that's the restitution that will be ordered next month in the sentencing of Minglong Chen.

The two women arrested in January were here to pick up \$150,000 in cash from a 79-year-old Gardnerville Ranchos woman. Prosecution said a case involving a victim in Genoa involved around \$100,000.

We're certain as these cases come forward more information will be available, but that's just a taste of how much money was involved.

We know who a couple of the victims are and they aren't easily fooled people. The news is full of instances where responsible, intelligent people have been lured out of millions of dollars because they got caught in a web of lies.

We don't believe for a minute that the people arrested in Douglas County are the masterminds in these schemes. Everything about these cases indicates they were sent here to pick up the cash by someone with a lot of these from in the fire.

There is a sinister aspect to these crimes beyond the theft of money. How many emails or texts does the average person receive each day? People might actually be conducting legitimate business, but who would know? Very rarely every means of communication has been tainted in one way or another because of these scams and that affects our ability to communicate.

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PRETTY BIRD



KEVIN HILGENDANK

A male western tanager lighted in a tree right behind a house north of Genoa on May 17. The colorful birds tend to live in the Sierra Nevada.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Amodei tried to sell off public land

Many Nevadans know that Mark Amodei tried to sell off thousands of acres of public Nevada land to help fund the tax cuts for the wealthiest folks (most of whom don't live in Nevada). What you may not know is that this proposal was stripped from the budget reconciliation after a member of the GOP refused to vote in favor of the entire thing if that public land sale was included. They needed every last GOP vote for it to go through, so they had to remove that Nevada land sale. The

here that saved our Nevada public lands? Montana congressman Ryan Zinke. Isn't it interesting that we can't rely on our elected House Representative to preserve our lands? Another fascinating thing is that I emailed and called Mark Amodei several times to discuss this issue, and I never got a response. Yet when I called and emailed Zinke's office to thank him for standing up for Nevada when none of the proposed land sale was even in his state, I got a response within the hour with more information about how Zinke prioritizes conservation across the west. Wow, it must be so nice to have an engaged and responsive Representative in the House.

Anyway, I hope Nevadans remember how quick Mark Amodei was to sell us out when it comes time to vote. If you found this informative if you want to receive weekly emails with ideas for activism toward conservation and democratic values, shoot an email to TakeActionNorthernNevada@gmail.com

Kendra Wilson
Indian Hills

Thanks for support

Editor:

Two years after the atmospheric river, FEMA reimbursements for the first projects have been disbursed. I would like to express gratitude to Mike Tanner, THE GID Board Trustee for quickly acting and filling out the Public Assistance Request application at the eleventh hour. Without that application filed before the deadline, Tiger Ranch Estates would not have a reimbursement.

Douglas County's staff has also been doing a phenomenal job for the people of Douglas County securing reimbursement from FEMA for the people. I am most appreciative for their efforts.

Despite a high-ranking elected official in THD not answering residents, the county staff and THE volunteers put their heads down and got the job done.

Negative people do not help our communities thrive and our leaders should set the example in the future to encourage volunteerism and set an example as positive role models.

Thank again Mike Tanner and his volunteers and Douglas County staff for a job well done. Keep up the good fight.

Dorena Tanner
Tiger Ranch Estates

Ready to give up on Douglas County

I am writing not to demand action or point fingers, but to share — as honestly as I can — the deep frustration and disappointment I feel as a long-time resident, business owner, and community volunteer in Douglas County.

When I purchased my property nearly a decade ago, I did so with hope, determination, and a long-term commitment to the area.

As a young professional, the only viable path to homeownership in this extreme overpriced market was through investing in a property that could also serve as a vacation rental — a choice many of us made out of necessity, not opportunity.

At that time, I believed Douglas County was a place where I could grow a business, build a life, and contribute meaningfully to the community.

But over time, it's become painfully clear that this is no longer a sustainable place for the working middle class or for younger residents trying to make a life here.

The divide between policy and reality in Douglas County continues to grow wider. Wealthy out-of-state buyers and retirees are welcomed with open arms, while those of us who built careers,



Drew Murin
Guest
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created jobs, supported charities, and served our neighbors are treated like an afterthought — or worse, an inconvenience.

Since day one, I've faced an exhausting series of roadblocks: bureaucratic delays on mono-related stair repairs, an over-complicated boundary line adjustment due to historical land issues, and most recently, the VHR program — which remains inconsistent, confusing and plagued by red tape.

These are not isolated experiences. They represent a pattern of discrimination and disregard.

Perhaps the most glaring example of this is the ongoing treatment of the upper Kingsbury area — an area that was always designed, built, and marketed as vacation housing to support Heavenly Ski Resort. These multifamily properties were never intended to be full-time single-family residences. The idea that they are being governed and

regulated the same way as homes in the Carson Valley is not only misguided, but also damaging.

The Tahoe Basin is not the Valley, and this continued "one size fits all" approach ignores decades of planning, economic necessity, and community design.

Despite these frustrations, I stayed. I gave back. I volunteered for nearly every non-profit that needed support. I helped organize local events, supported business districts, promoted tourism, and did everything I could to reinvest in the community I lived in. I believed Douglas County — especially the Tahoe side — had the potential to be a model of balance between quality of life and economic vitality.

But I no longer feel that way. In fact, for the first time, I am actively preparing to list our properties and invest elsewhere — in places like Incline Village or even South Lake Tahoe. It's hard to believe, but California now feels more business-friendly and supportive of working-class residents than this side of the state line. That's a heartbreaking conclusion I never thought I'd reach.

At this point, it seems clear that Douglas County is

becoming a retirement town — governed by those with the loudest complaints rather than the greatest contributions. The people who brought energy, investment, and innovation to the area are being priced out or pushed out by a system that doesn't reflect their needs.

I'm not writing this to stir controversy. I understand my couple of properties and voice may not carry much weight in the hands or decisions of the county. But I write this as someone who truly cared — someone who believed in the future of Douglas County and is now being forced to walk away from that vision. And I believe there are many others who feel the same.

Thank you for your time, and for the service you provide to the county. I hope these words are received as a heartfelt reflection — from someone who tried to do it right and is now left with no other choice but to move on.

Drew Murin is the owner of Drew Murin Productions in Shattuck and is currently vice president of marketing at Community Bankshares, Inc., headquartered in Las Vegas, NV.



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Choking Las Vegas

How federal land rationing and arbitrary fees are driving up housing costs in Southern Nevada

By Mike Ford • Special to the Las Vegas Review-Journal

THE federal government owns approximately 90 percent of the land in Clark County. For the nearly 2.5 million residents of the Las Vegas Valley, this single statistic explains the cost of why housing is unaffordable, why building is so slow and why the American Dream feels increasingly out of reach to many interested in the housing dispute ever could.

But the Bureau of Land Management, the agency entrusted with managing the land in the public interest, is making it worse — not better — through a deliberate policy of rationing supply and extracting maximum revenue from every acre it deigns to release.

On Feb. 23, the BLM issued a Notice of Realty Action announcing the first land sale under the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act in more than two years. Two years zero supply from the largest landowner in the valley while demand for housing, commercial development and infrastructure has only increased, the scale of the offering is the story.

The BLM is offering 22 parcels totaling a mere 232 acres. To put that in perspective, Clark County contains more than 3 million acres of federally managed land. The BLM's offering represents 0.005 percent of its holdings — a measly offering dressed up as a land sale. These are not large parcels suitable for master-planned communities, industrial parks or the kind of developments that create jobs and incomes families. They are small, fragmented lots — precisely the kind of offering designed to generate

bidding wars among desperate buyers while doing nothing to meaningfully expand the valley's developable land base.

What the BLM is doing in Southern Nevada would be illegal if done by any private entity. Consider the fees: obtaining majority of land in case of the future private owner. In America, and it releases that land in quantities so small they are possibly not needed. The result is predictably: artificially inflated prices that filter directly to federal coffers.

With reported fair market values estimated between \$400,000 and \$600,000 plus per acre — and actual sale prices expected to exceed those figures — the BLM is not simply charging of surplus federal land. It is operating as a monopolistic rationing supply to maximize per unit revenue at the direct expense of Southern Nevada families, businesses and communities.

If a private landowner controlled 90 percent of the developable land in a major metropolitan area and refused to sell more than a fraction of one percent every two years, antitrust regulators would be at their door. But the BLM answers to such authority, and the people of Clark County have no meaningful alternative supplies.

If housing supply were not enough, the BLM has added a new financial burden to prospective purchasers. For this sale, the bureau has contracted with a private firm, Efficient Markets, to conduct the auction online. The use of a contractor is not, in itself, objectionable — the General Services Administration previously handled these auctions, and modernizing the

process through a qualified vendor is reasonable. What is not reasonable is requiring successful bidders to pay a 1.2 percent commission fee directly to Efficient Markets on top of the full projected fair market value of the land, based on the BLM's own appraisals. This means purchasers will be forced to pay an estimated \$1.4 million to \$2 million or more in auction fees — money that goes not to private commerce for administering a sale. This fee is not only burdensome, it is unnecessary and arguably unlawful under the very statute that governs these sales.

The Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) explicitly authorizes the reimbursement of costs incurred by local BLM offices in arranging sales and exchanges — including contractor costs — from the land's Special Account. Congress anticipated that conducting these sales would cost money and provided a dedicated funding mechanism so that those costs would not be passed on to buyers. That Special Account currently holds more than \$1 billion.

Read that again.

The BLM is asking for more than \$1 billion in accumulated sale proceeds — funds expected to be deposited, in part, for covering the costs of future sales — and yet it has chosen to force those costs directly on purchasers. There is no fiscal justification for this decision. There is no statutory requirement. There is only the BLM's apparent preference for extracting every possible dollar from the private parties who have no choice but to participate in

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America's long road to waging war with Iran

UNTH last year, for some 40 years, Iran expelled a "North American" from its capital in the heart of the Middle East. Always unpredictable, always unpredictable, it was inevitable to be nuclear, self-determined and hostile.

All that said, was it really ever all that formidable?

The mullahs came into power after the removal of the Shah and, subsequently, the interim secular socialist. They did so by taking American hostages, murdering opponents, and creating a terror regime and then forming the most secular and modern of the Middle East Muslim nations into the most medieval that routinely targeted homosexuals, sodomites and almost anyone who questioned the authority of the spiritual. In other words, these were genuine people, but they didn't necessarily have a congenial nature.

The theory's only constant was the prior notion that Iran was not a threat to the United States and its interests near the Persian Gulf. It was the Shah's modernized cities, it was the key strategic checkpoint at the Strait of Hormuz and it was a geographically critical location between Asia and the Middle



VICTOR DAVIS HANSON
CONSERVATIVE

Rise. It fueled Iran's historical character and passion that the influence of the United States in the Middle East was not to be tolerated by its Arab neighbors. So there were lots of natural advantages and for the most part, a good deal.

Under the knowledge of Shiite persecution and other hardships, the ayatollahs proved even more corrupt (and far more incompetent) than the Shah's entourage. They fought a disastrous eight-year war with Saddam Hussein's overrated Iraq, its leadership and assets were mostly just as militarily incompetent.

Over the decades, they failed and wounded thousands of Americans by bombing U.S. embassies, harboring and bases in the Middle East without directly confronting the American military. For years, they were belatedly charged with the Shiite insurgents to slaughter and

murder thousands of Americans in Iraq and the Taliban to do the same in Afghanistan.

At the first sign of popular protest, the regime never hesitated to gun down thousands of unarmed protesters. And, of course, they were subject to hypocrites — hating the West, despising the Great Satan — and sending their pampered children to universities in America. The apparent proved quite easily in its desire for money, status, foreign travel and the good life.

Their general attitudes were never hard to follow.

But, the theocracy's prior familiarity with Americans under the Shah and its role in Europe bred an irrational fixation with and hatred of the West in general that made them useful prizes for the grand designs of communist, fascist and later ascendant Chinese.

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That's why it's called news

I f we'd known that a 4 percent retroactive pay cut included in the proposal to save \$1 million submitted by the Douglas County School District to the Nevada Department of Taxation wasn't common knowledge, we'd have put it in a headline.

We apologize for making folks read through that story to find out details like that. We had to go digging through the state's web sites to find the report and only had it for a couple of hours before our deadline.

If we'd had a little more time with it, we could have really rolled up our sleeves and gone to town.

At least one school board trustee thinks that something in a public document should somehow not be public until everyone has an opportunity to process their feelings.

That someone anyone has had time to process their feelings about learning that the school district is digging itself out of a \$1.5 million hole. We certainly haven't.

The district is already counting \$929,000 in immediate savings by rejecting contracts from the associations representing certified employees and bus drivers. That and another \$1.2 million transferring bus costs to a different fund and \$122,000 by eliminating four classified positions, means those folks are already carrying a big part of this load.

That doesn't include the layoffs required to save \$1.5 million, which is also required to hit the \$1.5 million phase 1 deficit target, according to the district. Phase II is looking to save \$4 million in order to restore the ending fund balance to the statutory minimum of 4 percent by the 2027-28 school year.

In order to close the gap remaining, the district has notified various bargaining units regarding the need to re-open negotiations," according to the document submitted to the state. "It is the district's intent to seek fiscal consensus in order to address the remaining deficit."

Of course, the pay cut is subject to negotiations with the district's three bargaining units, but if those areas aren't successful, that \$1 million this year and \$2 million next year is going to have to come from somewhere else.

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The Douglas County Justice Center rises along Buckeye Lane on Monday morning.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hallelujah!

Hallelujah Toffee is hanging up their aprons until next holiday season and reflecting on the 2023 year with deep gratitude. Our all-volunteer team just finished writing donation checks totaling \$207,000. We could never reach those numbers without the phenomenal efforts and support of so many people throughout the Carson Valley.

From Ryan Foxworth, our approachable health inspector, who patiently answered our many questions, to the flexible folks at Burns Machinery who graciously tolerated our annual chaos in their workshop; from Mr. Drew Aguilar at Carson Valley Accounting, who gently coached us in all things tax-related, to Mr. Renee Louis and the Douglas County Business Council, our first corporate order of the season; from the committed local businesses that continued to include our toffee in their corporate Christmas baskets, to the new customers who tried our toffee for the very first time from the Carson Valley Chamber of Commerce who hosted the annual Parade of Lights to all of our cheering supporters along the streets of the parade route: from the UPS and USPS powerhouses who hauled our packages to and fro, to the incredible social media content created by Meah Johnson (Christen Johnson) and Clint Lund (LundX)—thank you.

Thank you to DST Coffee for crafting Hallelujah Toffee lattes as a seasonal favorite, and to Joyce's Jewelry (Gardnerville), Pure Glow Salon (Minden), Blossoms Salon (Carson City), Sierra Sewing (Carson City), Carson City Floral (Carson City), and His Ward (Reno) for believing in our product enough to carry it in your amazing retail locations.

From High Sierra Fellowship (Gardnerville) to Valley Christian Fellowship (Minden); from Living Stones Carson City to Life Church Carson City; from Openerston Community Church (Incline) to Rhine Church (Carson City); and from Hilltop Community Church (Carson City) to the Carson High School Christmas Craft Fair and the Last Minute Maker's Market (CV Flyer), we are profoundly thankful for the opportunity to be heard by such incredible people. You believe in our product and join us in our commitment to share

100 percent of our profits—locally and around the world.

And to our all-volunteer team at Hallelujah Toffee: from the meticulous folding of thousands of pieces of brown paper in August, to the volunteers who carefully shipped handmade toffee on Christmas Eve, from the amazing Douglas High, Carson High, and Sierra Lutheran High School students who have-bombed our organization with their hands, hearts, and outstanding local media posts, to Mark and Heidi Glan, who generously offered our six-plus volunteers at our annual community-wide packing party; from the brave souls who created invisible, answered phone calls, and maneuvered QuickBooks, to the official deliverers who shipped our toffee all over Northern Nevada—what can we say except thank you.

In all these ways and more, we at Hallelujah Toffee can only stand back and marvel at God's fulfillment this season. Thank you, Jesus, for giving us purpose—even in whimsical candy making. And thank you, Carson Valley, for the many ways you have supported our nonprofit organization.

Karen Berger
Hallelujah Toffee founder

This is interesting

Editor

Reader Fritz Schweigert suggests (letter, Feb. 10) getting rid of The Record-Courier's opinion section. Because, he says, "It literally is the same (usually left-leaning) people extolling the same talking points we could get any day of the week on mainstream media or late night 'comedy' hosts."

Although the First Amendment explicitly protects "freedom of the press"—yes, that includes newspaper opinion section—that is not what Mr. Schweigert is proposing what conservatives themselves call a "vocal culture" when they think others are criticizing right-leaning viewpoints. Only here he wants to completely cancel non-conservative opinions.

So, if I write a letter pointing out that Trump gifted cost each U.S. household an average of \$1,700, that the inflation rate was 2.7 percent for 2023, that 41 percent of Americans plan to spend less this year, those aren't facts? Rather, they are lefty talking points to be heard by such incredible people. You believe in our product and join us in our commitment to share

"indirect and circumlocutory."

That's not plain speech. And the suggestion to remove the opinion section does not make plain common sense.

B. K. Williams
Glen

Republic, if we can keep it

Editor

Mr. Thormina, thank you for your Feb. 25 letter reflecting on our nation's first 250th anniversary. Reflection is appropriate. But reflection must begin with true history.

The word democracy appears nowhere in the Declaration of Independence or the Constitution. Not once. Article IV, Section 1 of the Constitution guarantees every state a republican form of government. That distinction is not academic. Democracies concentrate power in shilling majorities. A constitutional republic restrains power through enumerated authority and protects rights that government does not grant and therefore cannot legitimately remove.

James Madison wrote in Federalist No. 43 that the powers of the federal government are "few and defined." That is the design. It is also the standard by which we should measure ourselves.

Immigrants did not come here because they had mastered the founding documents. Many could not read. They came because America uniquely secured the freedom to worship, to work, to own property, to build businesses, and to pass opportunity to their children under stable law. They came for ordered liberty—not for unlimited government.

We fought world wars not only to defend liberty abroad, but to prevent tyranny from reaching our own shores. National survival and constitutional self-government were at stake.

Federal spending must tie to an enumerated power in Article I, Section 8. When it does not, it exceeds lawful authority. That is not socialism; it is constitutional discipline. Our \$30 trillion national debt is not theoretical. Interest payments alone threaten to crowd out the core functions of government. A nation that cannot service its debt cannot remain sovereign. If Congress is authorized to do only what is listed, then it is authorized to spend only on what is listed. Nothing more.

As for "armed marshaled agents," federal immigration law is supreme under Article VI. After years of deliberate non-enforcement that allowed millions to enter unlawfully, enforcing existing law is not tyranny—it is restoring the rule of law. Officers wear masks because they and their families have been targeted and harassed. Prudence in protection is not oppression.

I agree on one point: character matters. But character includes fidelity to the Constitution. Would we trust someone who ignores enumerated limits or enforces laws selectively? That is the real measure.

When Benjamin Franklin was asked what form of government the Convention had given us, he answered: "A republic, if you can keep it."

This Part of Feb. 25 to celebrate what we actually are—a constitutional republic of limited powers and fixed safeguards. If we are going to honor 250 years honestly, we must defend the structure that made talking points "Oh, in Mr. Schweigert's words, 'periphrastic ramblings.'"

Shawn Meenan
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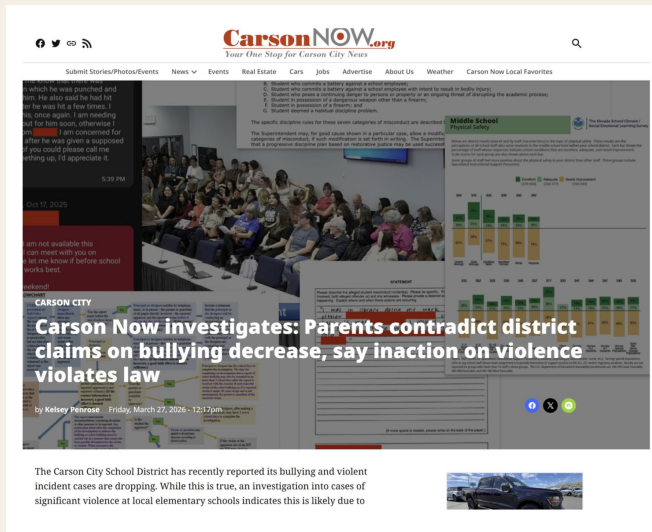


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The solution to homelessness is more homes

Editor's note: It is traditionally the annual fall issue of the *Las Vegas Sun* that has the most in-depth coverage of the city's most pressing issues. This year's special is about homelessness, which is a topic that has been in the news a lot lately.

Zach Conine

Assistant City Editor

Nevada's homelessness problem is a complex one. It's not just a lack of affordable housing, but also a lack of social services, mental health care, and job training. The solution is more homes, but it's not just about building more houses. It's about creating a supportive environment for people who are homeless.

Jackie's mother, Jackie, is a single mother of three children. She is a hard worker, but she is struggling to find a place to live. She is currently living in a shelter, but she is tired of that. She wants a place of her own, a place where she can raise her children in peace and quiet. She is looking for a place that is affordable, safe, and has a good location. She is willing to work hard to pay for it, but she needs a place to start.

In the largest U.S. city, a mini-home wage worker cannot afford a modest one-bedroom apartment. Once you've been into work or hit the jackpot, home is no longer affordable. The solution is to build more homes, especially those that can offer a safe and secure place to live with income support.

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Legislative bill will allow Reno council members to remove planning commissioners at will

A bill at the Nevada Legislature originally intended to improve master planning has now morphed into legislation that allows Reno City Council members to exercise more control over appointed planning commissioners. The bill's changes come after council members publicly criticized planning commissioners who raised concerns about the city's lack of standards for building data centers.



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Striking color: Reception for Carson City artist Sunday



Paula Saponaro's work from her 'Atmospherix' series, as part of the Brewery Arts Center's exhibit in west Carson City, seen on Sept. 9, 2025.
Photo by Scott Neuffer.

By Scott Neuffer

Thursday, September 11, 2025

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Provocation stirs in Paula Saponaro's collected pieces at the Brewery Arts Center in west Carson City. The provocation is not a slap in the face, per se, but a visual reckoning of imbalanced forces in the social and physical environment.

"I like to have a bit of a challenge to the work. I mean, I like to have it evoke some thought," Saponaro said during a Sept. 9 interview, adding she doesn't like overloading her work with messages.

Originally from Detroit, with a background in graphic design and commercial production, Saponaro has lived and worked in Carson City for nearly 20 years. She also had a studio in the Suto Tunnel Warehouse Barn and in a shotgun house in Silver City, not to mention a tent at Pyramid Lake in the early 1990s.

The Brewery Arts Center is exhibiting more than four decades of Saponaro's Nevada work through Sept. 28. A public artist reception is slated for noon to 2 p.m. on Sunday at 449 W. King St.

The BAC exhibit pulls from several series and includes prints, paintings, drawings, mixed media, copper plate etchings, silkscreens and monoprints. Saponaro's "bit of a challenge" lies in her juxtaposition of images, texture and colors. The pieces are bold enough to draw the eye across the room. The colors are immediate but point to underlying tensions. There are characters and landscapes and more abstract interpretations of daily phenomena — like glitchy television screens in the early cable-TV era as presented in "Atmospherix."



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Burning Man cleanup



A line of people do a sweep of an area of the Black Rock Desert for Burning Man "trash" on Sept. 20.

Restoration team heads into the playa to prep for inspection

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A look inside a dumpster used during Burning Man's playa restoration.

It's like finding a needle in haystack. • But in Burning Man's case, it's literally finding a kickstand in 3,700 acres of dry, leveled sand. • "I bet a belt full off as someone was riding around and didn't realize it until they went to park their bike," Annie Grace, producer of strategic storytelling content for the Burning Man Organization, said Monday on the playa. • Grace picked up the dust-covered kickstand just days before the U.S. Bureau of Land Management's scheduled inspection of the Black Rock Desert. Every year, a month after Burning Man ends on Labor Day, the BLM inspects the playa as part of the festival's permit to use the federal land. See CLEANUP, Page 7A

US government takes 5% stakes in Lithium Americas, Thacker Pass project

Ernest Scheyder

Times

The U.S. Department of Energy has taken a 5% stake in Lithium Americas and a separate 2% stake in the company's Thacker Pass joint venture with General Motors that is set to be the largest lithium source in the Western Hemisphere.

The deal, announced by Lithium Americas, makes the largest private sector

investment by U.S. President Donald Trump's administration. It follows U.S. government acquisitions in Intel and SpaceX, as the government attempts to boost industries it considers vital to U.S. national security.

U.S.-listed shares in Lithium Americas jumped 5% to \$75.10 in premarket trading on Wednesday.

Last week, Reuters reported that



Aerial view of a lithium mine located at Thacker Pass in northern Nevada.

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Washoe County school rankings are out

Siobhan McAndrew Reno Gazette Journal/USA TODAY NETWORK

While the Washoe County School District improved from 2019 to 2023 in the Nevada Department of Education's school rankings, a Reno Gazette Journal analysis shows most schools scored worse than they did just a few years ago.

The Reno Gazette Journal compared data from 2015, 2018 and 2020, before COVID impacted classrooms with shutdowns and remote learning.

Grade regulations appear as the state adjusted how to calculate for score, but proficiency rates still count for the majority of the score. The data from 2018 included college- and career-readiness assessments, all three times.

The district said there are deviations in how scores are calculated as it moved sixth graders from elementary to middle schools and built new schools, and how certain benchmarks with an attendance coupled.

The district released the first star ratings of itself in 2013 based on 2012 data. That year, the district had a single one-star elementary school, Corbett. That school rose to four stars before the pandemic but has again sunk to one of the poorest performing in the district.

More than 10 years later, the district has 161 and 1-star schools, including charter schools it sponsors.

District celebrates successes

"There were successes across the board, which is fantastic in terms of our district for this year," Chief Academic Officer Don Argenti told the school board at a recent meeting. He said year over year, the district saw the largest increases in its history in proficiency rates in English and math.

Third-grade proficiency rates are at the highest levels since the 2003 and 2004 school year.

"We reduced our one-star elementary schools from 21 to nine," Argenti said of scores compared to a year ago.

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Gallery: High Sierra Music Festival fans share experiences



ALO performs July 3, 2025 during the High Sierra Music Festival at the Plumas County Fairgrounds in Quincy, California.
Photo by Kyler Klix.

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The High Sierra Music Festival took place July 3-6 at the Plumas County Fairgrounds in Quincy, California. Thousands of people came to the event and here's what a handful had to say about it:

Photo Gallery

2025 High Sierra Music Festival



The High Sierra Music Festival took place July 3-6, 2025 at the Plumas County Fairgrounds in Quincy, California.
Photos by Kyler Klix of the Nevada Appeal.

'IT'S REALLY SPECIAL'

Lyndsey Boyer and James Edmiston came from Carson City. Boyer said it was her 10th year at the festival, and they have a big group of friends they camp with who travel from all over the region. They camp over in Hillside and name their camp "The Jaminals."



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The Oppidan Data Center will be the second in the city of Reno. Photo Richard Bednarski / Sierra Nevada Ally



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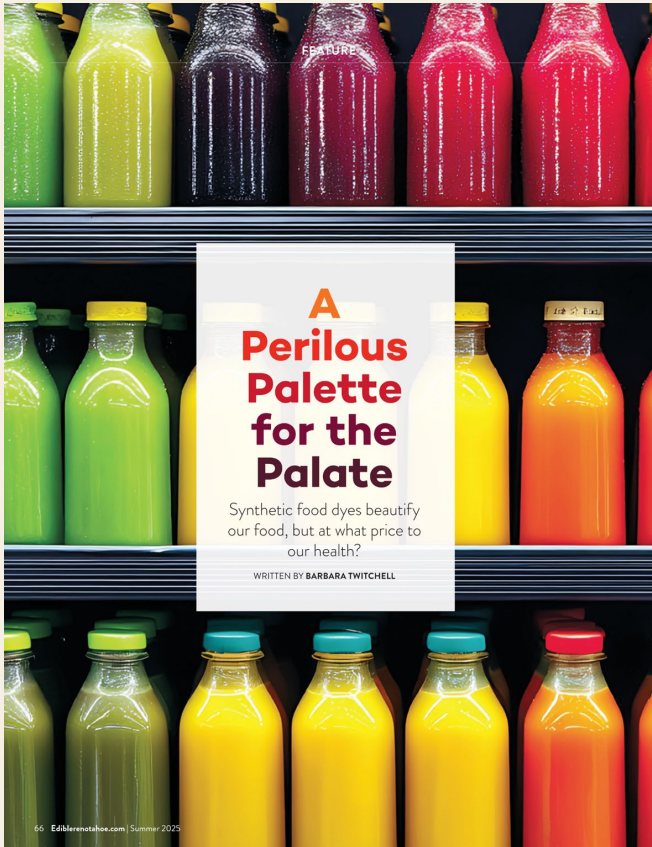
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The day that lives in infamy

Thousands died in brutal attack on Battleship Row

By Steve Ranson and Ken Beaton
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"Alright now, listen carefully. The island of Oahu is being attacked by enemy planes. The center of this attack is Pearl Harbor, but the planes are attacking airfields as well. We are under attack. There seems to be no doubt about it. Do not go out on the streets. Keep your radio on and tell your neighbor to do the same. Keep off the streets and highways unless you have a duty to perform."

NBC Red Network, Dec. 7, 1941

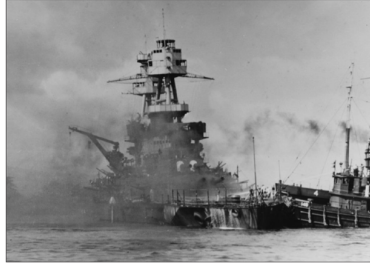
Eighty-five years ago, battleships lined up in Pearl Harbor in a way to represent the Navy's own *Battleship Row* in late 1941. Named after the states of Arizona, Oklahoma, West Virginia, California, Nevada, Tennessee, Maryland and Pennsylvania, the battleships' sterling handsome hulls protruded into the glassed harbor. On the other side of Ford Island was the moored USS Utah. In less than an hour on Dec. 7, 1941, an attack carried out by Japanese pilots from the Imperial Japanese Navy shattered the tranquility of a quiet Sunday morning.

With flames and smoke rising above the horizon, all eight battleships lined up in the harbor suffered damaged, but four sank. Two torpedoes slammed into the USS Utah, causing the battleship to roll over and sink. The USS Nevada managed to sail out of the harbor under its own power despite being hit by one torpedo and at least six bombs.

Early in the morning of Dec. 7, 1941, Japanese torpedoes and bombers as well as fighters first struck Nevada (the Arizona Kanabie Bay on Oahu's windward side in the first wave before heading toward the Pearl Harbor, the United States largest naval base in the Pacific.

At 7:55 a.m., Hawaiian time, 253 planes from Japanese carriers at Navy swooped over the harbor and dropped thousands of pounds of bombs on military airfields and eight ships on Battleship Row, and also on the USS Utah which was drydock on the west side of Ford Island.

In less than an hour, Japanese bombs had destroyed or severely damaged the battleships, while the USS Nevada was able to break free of its mooring and sail into the harbor to avoid any significant damage encountered by the other ships. Dark smoke billowed over



USS Nevada (BB-36) beached and burning after being hit forward by Japanese bombs and torpedoes. Her pilothouse area is discolored by fires in that vicinity. The harbor tug Hoga (YT 146) is alongside Nevada's port bow, helping to fight fires on the battleship's forecastle. Note channel marker buoy against Nevada's starboard side.

at sea, divers in 1941 entered the water trying to find survivors. On the USS Nevada that wasn't moved a far from the Arizona, a woman Charles Sebe said he saw Japanese bombers focus their attention of the battleship named for the 36th state.

"I watched a second wave of high-level and dive bombers now concentrating their efforts on the Nevada as we, the only ship moving, slowly proceeded up the channel, trying to reach open water," he said. "Eight bombs hit their mark, and severely damaged our forecastle, bridge, and the boat-deck area. The Nevada, I learned later, was given orders to beach itself to avoid blocking the channel and preventing other ships from entering or leaving. An urgent call piped that million pounds of powder in there, and it went in there and it exploded." Custer said. "It exploded that million pounds of powder, and the value came out about 30 to 40 feet out of the water and settled straight back down, and she's (the Arizona) was still sitting right there."

Custer said men came out of the "ships fire on fire." He said sailors wanted to jump over the ship's side, but he'd was burning. During the ordeal, Custer said the sailors were on the ship for about 40 minutes. Working as quickly as they could, the surviving sailors tried to help all the survivors they could find and place them on some type of transport to the hospital.

Lauren F. Bremer, a survivor of the USS Arizona, died in 2018. Before he died, Bremer chose to return home to the sunken hull of the Arizona. Navy divers carried Bremer's ashes back to the wreck, making him the first time in 44th man to join the fallen heroes aboard the USS Arizona.



Young



Custer



Sebe



Weaver

clerk earning \$500 in 1939. According to his father Henry, his son worked for six months in 1940 as a section laborer for the railroad. Henry Gill worked as a signal maintainer for a railroad, and his mother Vida was a homemaker.

Another sailor on the Arizona grew up in Lahontan Valley. Richard Weaver received permission from his parents to enlist in the Navy on Nov. 12, 1940. Unknown to his parents at the time, Gill had been kicked out of school. His parents were Ray and Margaret Weaver. He was an assistant postmaster, and Margaret was a homemaker.

Gill was born on Aug. 16, 1923, the second of five sons. After he enlisted in the Navy and moved away from Fallon with five other siblings, Gill and a Fallon girl he liked, Wanda Temple, began exchanging letters. Eventually, her father's work took the family to Honolulu. According to newspaper accounts, the family visited Weaver to their home for Sunday meals.

Initially, Weaver had been promised to be transferred to a trade school after boot camp, but instead, the Navy transferred him to the USS Arizona on Jan. 25, 1941. More than a half-century after Weaver's death on the Arizona, Wanda told the Reno Gazette Journal he was a "handsome boy-doll in a sailor suit. I've never adored anyone as much."

After the war, she married, and the couple named their only child Richard.

Additionally, Weaver is not only honored on the USS Arizona Memorial in Honolulu and Seattle, Alaska, he shared a headstone with his brother Harry Ray.

Eric Young was born on Sept.

16, 1916, in San Diego. His father, Dr. James Young, was a professor who was head of the University of Nevada psychology department in Reno after he had taught in San Diego. Young's mother Anna (Myrtle) Allen taught in a private school in Reno.

Young graduated from Reno High School in 1934 and attended the University of Nevada for his freshman and sophomore years. He played freshman football and had pledged the Sigma Nu Fraternity.

After finishing two years at Nevada, Young received an appointment to attend the U.S. Naval Academy. He was commissioned an ensign at graduation and reported to the Arizona on June 29, 1940. After the Japanese attack on Battleship Row, Young's body was never recovered.

Reflecting back to the events of Dec. 7 and throughout the war years to 1945, Custer and the other veterans fought hard to defeat evil. Custer reflected on the nation's resolve:

"We did our jobs, got it done as best as we could, and thank God we won World War II."

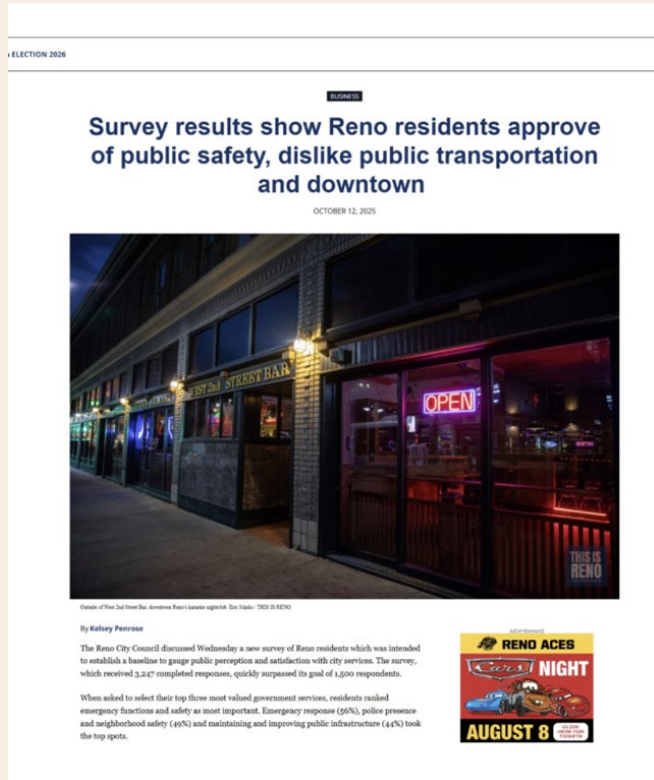
As a project to honor as many heroes and events as possible, *The Nevada Appeal*, Lahontan Valley News and the Nevada News Group have published numerous articles on local veterans who served during World War II. Many of the stories are included in the book *Legacies of the Silver State: Nevada Goes to War. All proceeds go to Honor Flight Nevada. Sources: Fallon Eagle, Fallon Standard, Reno Gazette, Arizona Republic, 1940 Naval Academy Memorial in Honolulu and Seattle, Alaska, he shared a headstone with his brother Harry Ray. Eric Young was born on Sept.*



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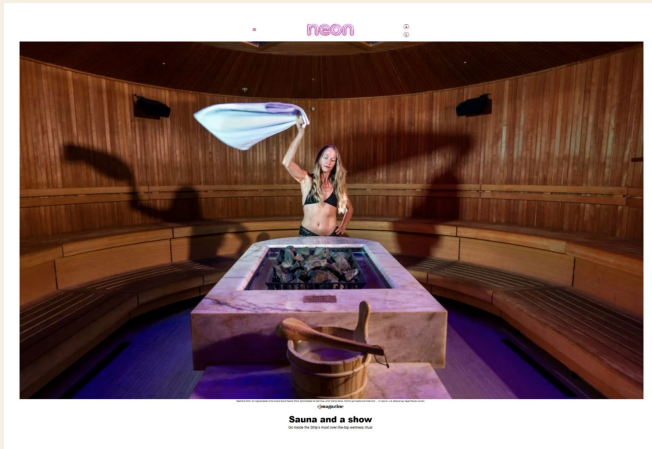
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Victory of ice: Chasing the last glacier in Nevada



The cirque of Wheeler Peak in Great Basin National Park on Aug. 31, 2025. The last glacier in Nevada, mostly a rock glacier, is located in the middle. Mark Neuffer/Special to the Nevada Appeal

By Scott Neuffer

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Nevada's last glacier is real. It exists.

Driving across Nevada over Labor Day weekend, I feared it would already be gone. The writer or journalist or recordkeeper has this fear: that if we don't document something, it will disappear as if it never was.

But by Sunday afternoon we had located it, up against the cliffs of Wheeler Peak. It had taken a while to get there, the apogee of a journey across the state we call home. But it's real, this remnant of the past, this victory of ice in the high elevation of the Great Basin. The glacier is grand, sublime and barely hanging on.

...

The idea that Nevada is a wasteland was always a cliché. That Nevada is a hidden paradise with untold treasures has, alas, been told and become a cliché. For every diaphanous aspen grove in a hard-to-reach mountain canyon, there is a patch of alkali soil in the adjoining basin, a bleak reminder of the barrenness of this area.

Driving across U.S. Highway 50, dubbed the loneliest highway in America, the Great Basin seems eternal in its alternating mountains and valleys. Because of its immensity, Nevada tricks one into thinking the landscape is constant.

"Imagine a shelf with books stacked upright, held in place with two bookends. Now start to move the bookends apart. The books will, of course, topple over against each other. If you now run your hand along the tops of the books, you will feel mountains and valleys. This is the Basin and Range. The western bookend is the Sierra Nevada Mountains, and the eastern bookend is the Wasatch Mountains in Utah."

This was the text from my brother Dan that popped up when we — my dad, my son and myself — regained phone reception near the Nevada-Utah border. Dan is a geotechnical engineer who studied geology from both sides of the Great Basin, at the University of Utah and UNR. He said the Sierra and Wasatch are moving apart by less than a tenth of an inch per year, "but that movement often occurs 10 to 20 feet at a time."



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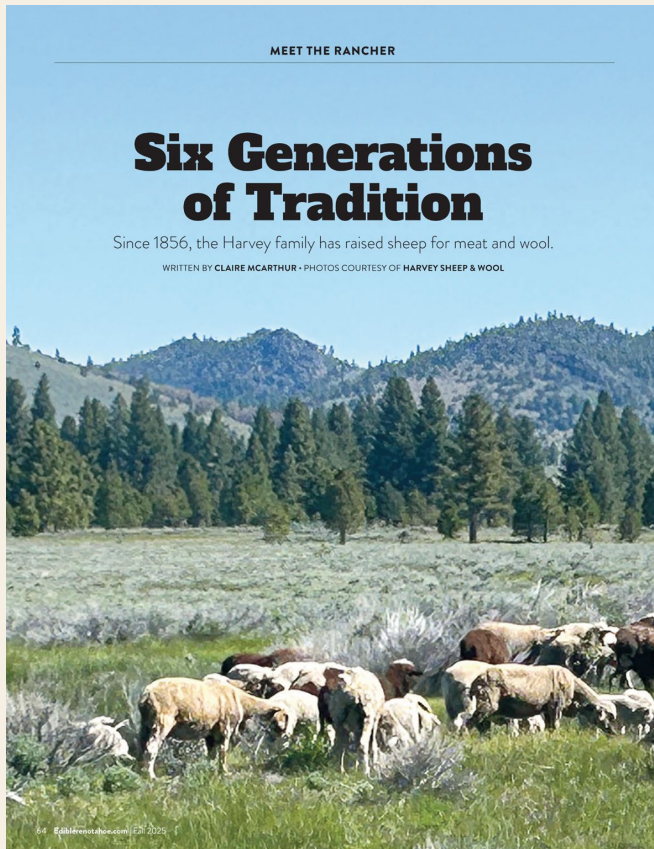


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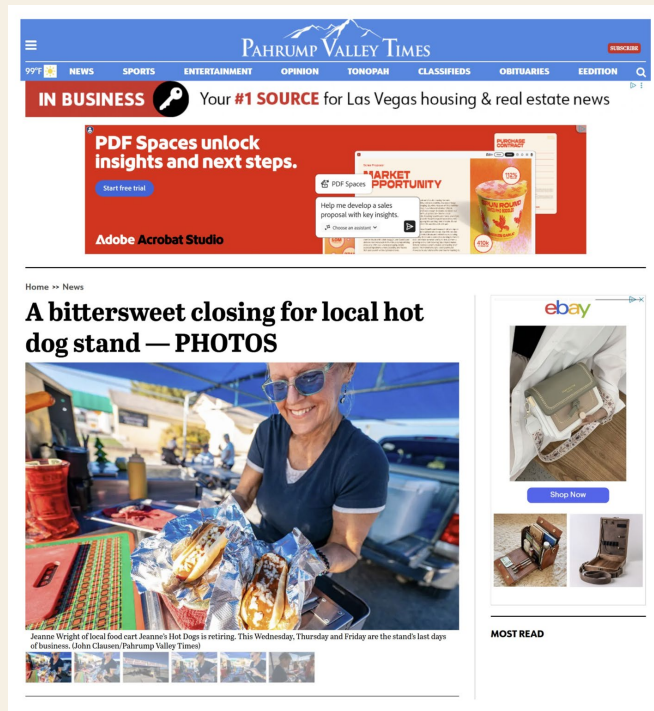
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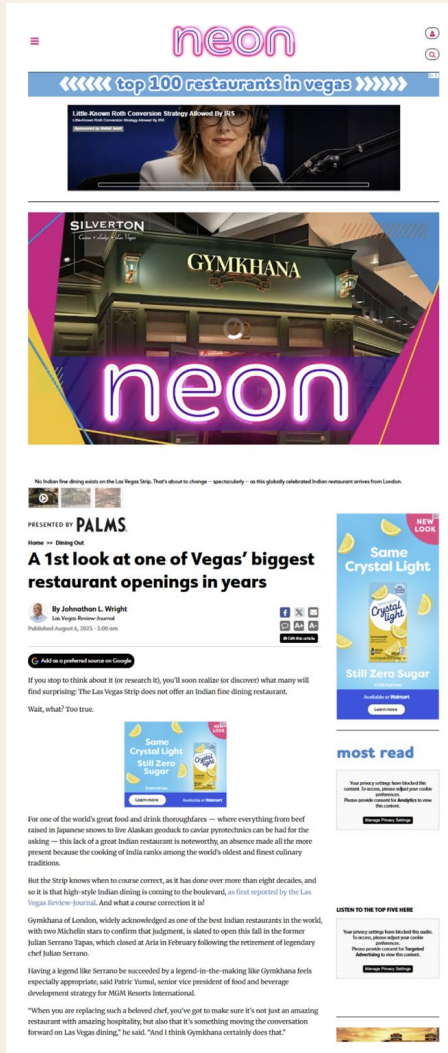
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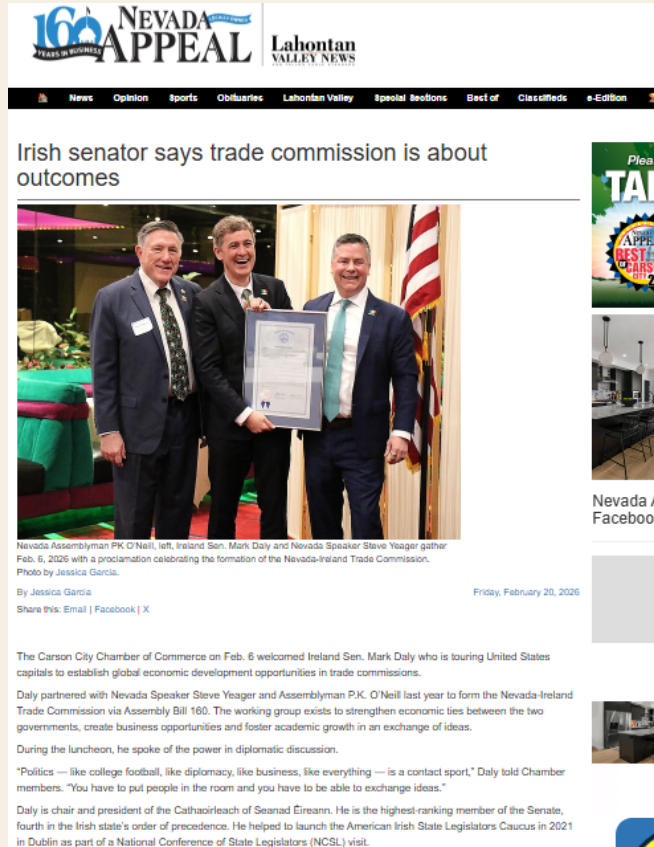
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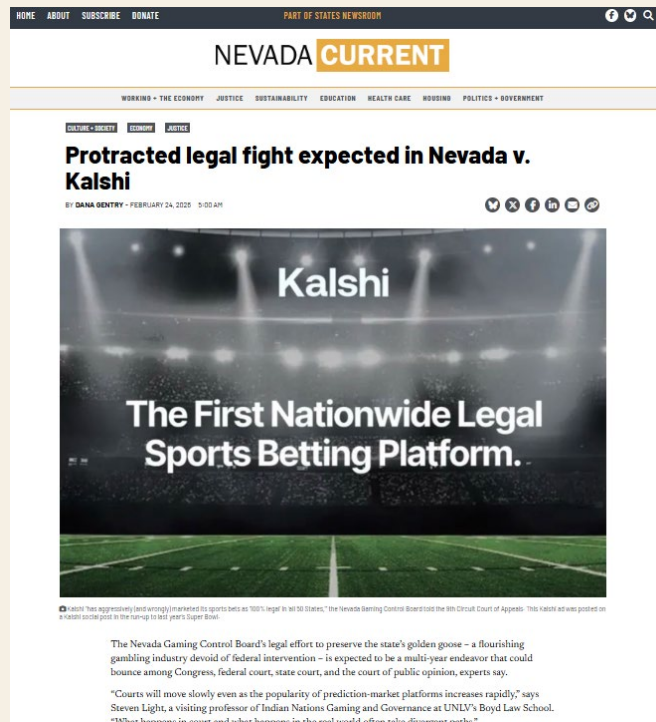
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I never thought I'd be a chicken lady.

When we were kids there were always chickens as a normal part of the daily chores. At some point during our early upbringing there was also a very mean rooster. Every time we would go in the pen to feed, he would do what roosters do and attack us. At the time it seemed quite brutal and was very frightening. We figured out that if we climbed in the top of the barn, we could chuck the food down through the top of the chicken pen and avoid him all together.

Sometimes the chickens would be out all day free ranging, which meant that we would cut a wide swath around wherever he was. Our entire course of play could be altered with appearance of the awful little creature.

I don't even think he had a name. He finally landed in the soup pot one day after attacking the barely toddling Harvey as he and my mom slowly made their way to the horse pen to watch dad with some new colt. We hated him so


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It's an early Friday morning before Memorial Day and the sun is just rising over the Park MGM casino floor are already chirping when former smoker Chris Nelson notices a distinct absence of the smell of cigarettes.

"A smoking ban? Cool! I quit four years ago," the Wyoming native says, unaware that the property became the only smoke-free casino on the Las Vegas Strip in 2020.



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A story of decades spent in solitary confinement, as told by someone who survived it.

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Title: Trump administration cuts child care grant for UNLV students in need
Byline: Matthew Mondschein, Metro Editor

A grant that funds campus-based child care at UNLV for students was cut by the Education Department (ED) and will be unavailable come the spring semester next year.

The Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS) grant is a vital source of money for public colleges around the United States that have students in need of financial assistance with child care while they attend university.

ED spokesperson Ellen Keast told The Washington Post in August that the funding cut is a part of President Donald Trump's efforts to dismantle diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives. She cited universities hiring child care staff based on "immutable characteristics, not merit" and that rejected recipients "would have taught children between the ages of 2 and 5 about gender identity and racial injustice."

UNLV's website for the program states that the "UNLV CCAMPIS Program is NOT funded and applications are not currently being accepted."

The grant being cut now leaves the families of UNLV students without access to affordable child care and university administration struggling on how, if at all possible, to cover the costs.

According to UNLV/CSUN Preschool's website, the top tier plan costs students \$256 a week.

"A lot of us are thinking about either withdrawing or pausing our education," said Kelsey Galloway, a master of social work candidate at UNLV. "I know one of our student parents has three kids. She can't afford full time tuition. We have a single mom who has four kids and the grant was her only option."

While working on her master's degree, Galloway's daughter has greatly benefitted from the on-campus child care that the grant provided.

"My daughter is disabled, so she's been in the early intervention therapy program since she was 12 months, trying to get her to walk. She literally started walking the first week of just being there. It's such a good and important program," Galloway said.

More than 200 colleges and universities use the \$80 million federal program. UNLV is one of more than a dozen schools that have been targeted with CCAMPIS defunding.

However, other universities still have applications open for the upcoming semester.



Matthew Mondschein

The Scarlet & Gray Free Press

Trump administration cuts child care grant for UNLV students in need

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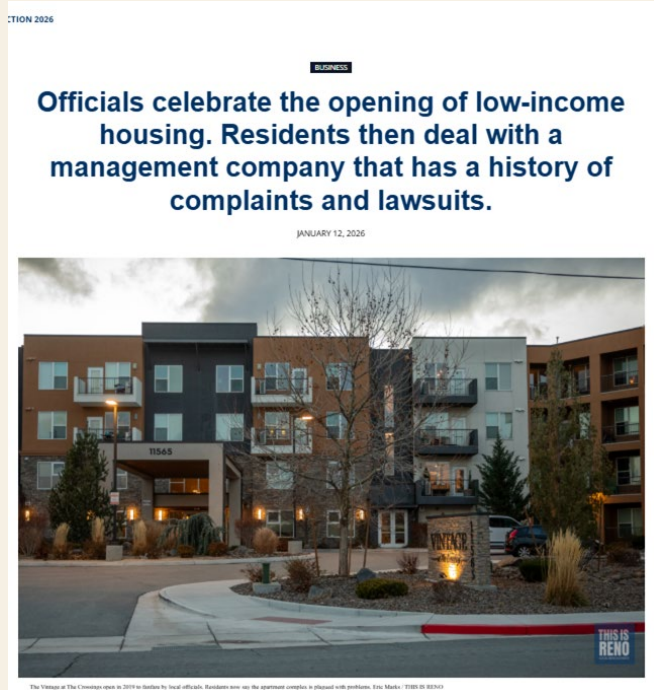
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THE GUIDE

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Can your calendar handle this much good stuff?

BY Mike Prevatt

ILLUSTRATION Miguel Manich

If social media were a theme park, then Reddit would be the roller coaster. Case in point: The twists, turns, and drops of a somewhat recent thread debating the best Beethoven symphony. By the time the train returned to the station, No. 9 had the most upvotes, but shortly behind it was No. 5. You know the one-one-one-onnanne. The Las Vegas Philharmonic famously last-minute swapped the piece into its first post-1 October concert, and it was a highlight of the group's 2021-2022 season including all nine Ludwig Van symphonies. For this fall's season opener (Nov. 1, 7:30p, Reynolds Hall at The Smith Center, \$35-\$151, lvphil.org), the Phil has slotted *Symphony No. 5* in as the finale, led by Phil music consultant Leonard Slatkin. Bonus: Solos during the night's second number — John Corigliano's *Mr. Tambourine Man*, influenced by the words, not the music, of Bob Dylan — will be soprano Hila Pittmann.

Over at Vegas City Opera, the 16-year-old organization — along with Las Vegas Sinfonietta — saw an opportunity in Handel's secular work *Semele*. What if they updated a baroque opera to reflect modern celebrity/influencer culture, red carpets and all? Could they stage a production that's equal parts Ovid and Andy Cohen? We're gonna find out November 16 (3p, Clark County Library, \$40, vegascityopera.org), when the Opera's cast portrays Semele, Jupiter, and other notables of ancient mythology as their reality TV and Hollywood equivalents, all backed by the Sinfonietta's 30-ish member ensemble. If they can pull this off, could a Homeric version of *Survivor* be next?

Speaking of recasting a chestnut in a far-flung context, Nevada Conservatory Theatre's *A Christmas Carol 1941* time-travels from mid-1800s London to WWII-era Chicago,

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COMMENTARY

SAVING THE FALLON CAMPUS

Scharmann's greatest moment as an educator

More than a decade ago when the country struggled with a stagnant economy and workers, Western Nevada College was looking at scaling back course offerings on the Fallon campus.

As a retired dean of WNC's Fallon campus, Harry "Bud" Scharmann saw the reduction in courses and faculty slowly eating away the college's fabric since 2001. When Scharmann held his first local meeting to explain what the college was undertaking, residents and local leaders expressed their disgust and anger.

Although this dismay would carry over for months, talk videos such as Scharmann, University of Nevada Regent Ben Koehn and about a dozen other community members said enough. Included in the committee were current and retired WNC instructors and interested community leaders. Bill Clifford served the committee as co-chairman.

For the next six months, the Restore our Community College Campus committee swung into action with twelve-month meetings. Looking back at the career of Scharmann, he either chaired or participated in numerous meetings, but from a standpoint of this community, serving as chair with Koehn and guiding the ROCCC may have been his greatest achievement as an educator.

Clifford became interested in the committee when he saw a bulletin posted at Fallon business asking for residents to show up at a meeting. More than 100 people attended. "This told us the situation, and it really struck a nerve. A lot of us agreed to be on the committee," Clifford said.

Clifford and the others found Scharmann to be a great leader to have the committee fight for Fallon and the rural communities.

"It was a tough time, and we were in the wake of what we call the Great Recession," Koehn recalled. Koehn represented the western rural counties on the Board of Regents and he remembers never hesitating in him being accepted by his Fallon constituents.

"People didn't quite know what to expect from the guy from Carson to be an advocate for them, but when you have guys like Bud with you, he was a gentleman, he was hardworking, he was very effective," Koehn said. "People

blat and respected him, and that made it a lot easier."

Koehn also remembers the diversity of the committee, and he soon discovered how passionate they were about keeping the campus in Fallon without the proposed changes.

Koehn said the Fallon committee knew they had "just 900-pound gorilla" ready to roll on them. Everything wasn't done.

"I did what I could, but mostly I relied on them, and it was very satisfying, but it was very challenging," Koehn said.

Scharmann, who had been appointed interim superintendent of the Churchill County School District during the 2013-14 school year, pointed out college operations were being relocated to Carson City and if any full-time employees left or retired from the local college, they weren't employed. Furthermore, WNC encouraged local students to travel U.S. Highway 26, which was two-lane from Lovelock Junction to the Dayton Valley, and then four-lane again to Carson City.

"Class scheduling experienced dramatic changes," Scharmann said, telling members of the newly formed ROCCC committee in Carson City sought to change the makeup of the college, which welcomed its first students more than a half-century ago.

Scharmann said the FTI full-time equivalent dropped 27% between the fall semester 1980 and 2011.

Although Fallon had enough students to fill some of the classes, the numbers for both students and classes dwindled.

"Class scheduling experienced dramatic changes," Scharmann said in Feb. 15, 2012 article in the Lahontan Valley News. "Transformation also brought an effort to attract younger, more degree-seeking students and away from the older student who is often looked for one of two classes to help in job upgrading or personal interest.

Schulz was modified to weigh heavily on Internet and daytime classes. Without the personal interest or nondegree types of courses, the adult students began to slip away."

Koehn represented the college at the meeting program at the Fallon campus, which forced students to travel to Reno and attend Truckee Meadows Community College.

One science instructor was afraid if children had to take classes in Carson City, then they would move away from Fallon.

Retired Fallon resident Mike

City campus.

The LSN told community residents they needed to demand answers and specific answers, not goals.

"The editorial struck a nerve. She unsuccessfully asked retired Publisher Mark Raymond to remove the editor from reporting on WNC. What followed the 2013-12 school year were more concerted efforts to expand the rural campuses, but the LSN said the back ended with Lacey, and every member of ROCCC and instructors needed to demand answers because the college's future depended on it."

Gradually, during those years and after the establishment of the ROCCC and community discussions and meetings, WNC gradually began to restore classes and instructors. WNC, along with local school districts in Lyon and Churchill counties began offering dual-enrollment college classes to high school seniors.

Koehn said, citing the tough economic times of the Great Recession.

"You know, we finally succeeded. It was a tough time. It was a tough time," Koehn said, citing the tough economic times of the Great Recession.

In 2012 to address concerns and soothe Fallon residents, the university's chancellor, Dr. Dan Kluck, traveled to Churchill County and listened to residents' concerns in an evening meeting.

Looking back, Koehn said the grassroots effort in Fallon to restore its campus with instructors and courses, succeeded.

Scharmann wrapped up the

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Steve Ranson Editor Emeritus

2013-12 year as interim superintendent, but the community elected him to the Churchill County Commission, a seat he held for 10 years.

Steve Ranson is editor emeritus of the Lahontan Valley News. Ranson also served on the Restore our Community College Campus committee and provided the news coverage of the group's activities. His articles and editorials to keep the Fallon campus and its programs

made the community aware of the situation. For his community outreach by informing the public on the issues affecting WNC and reporting on both the district work and local units in Afghanistan in 2011, Ranson was named the Nevada Press Association's Outstanding Journalist.

OBITUARY



Jeanette Ann Strong June 13, 1946 – June 11, 2025

Jeanette Ann Strong passed away peacefully in her home on the morning of June 11, 2025, just two days before her 79th birthday.

Born Jeanette Ann Meek on June 13, 1946, in San Mateo, to Robert Parker and Winifred Lorraine Meek, she was brought home to the first of many houses that would shape a life deeply rooted in family, faith, and charity. Jeanette moved frequently during her childhood, calling 18 different places home before heading to Pasadena College, where she last lived before her death when her father began to pursue his education following his service in World War II, then finishing after returning from the Korean War.

A lifelong learner and dedicated educator, Jeanette earned her Bachelor of Arts in History from Pasadena College in 1967 and her Master of Arts in Librarianship from San Jose State College in 1972. On October 26, 1968, she married Gale Strong at San Bruno Church of the Nazarene, and four years later they welcomed their only child, son Nathan Strong.

Jeanette's greatest joy was being a grandmother. Her grandsons were the light of her life, and she embraced that role with relentless pride and unwavering love. She wanted to be a positive influence on each person she encountered—and by all accounts, she was. That desire shaped a lifelong calling in education, serving as a high school educator, a college professor, a school librarian, and Sunday school teacher, each role encouraging others to grow into their best selves.

A gifted researcher and writer, Jeanette also shared her insights over many years through guest columns in the Record-Courier and the Lahontan Valley News, reflecting each piece with the same thoughtfulness and dedication she had given to her master's thesis.

Jeanette was preceded in death by her father, her grandfather, and her mother. She is survived by her devoted husband, Gale, her son and daughter-in-law, Nathan and Cynthia, and her grandson, Logan. She is also survived by her mother, two brothers, a sister, six nieces, and two nephews.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 12 at 11:00 a.m. at Edworth United Methodist Church, 280 East Stillwater Avenue, Fallon, Nevada.

All are welcome to join the family in honoring and celebrating Jeanette's life.



Steve Ranson

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OPINION: Tariffs are quack medicine — and they'll poison Nevada's economy first - The Nevada Independent

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OPINION: Tariffs are quack medicine — and they'll poison Nevada's economy first

Trump's bizarre obsession with trade deficits will make it impossible to plan a vacation, much less a domestic industrial renaissance.

David Colborne April 8th, 2025 at 2:00 AM Opinion



A woman looks through imported ginger from China for sale at the Hiep Thai grocery store in Garland, Texas, on April 7, 2025. (LM Otero/The Associated Press)

Sounds ridiculous, doesn't it?

How would charging yourself more for groceries pay anything back? Why wouldn't your family just buy groceries from one of the stores you're not applying a tariff against? What is even the purpose of this tariff scheme?

Ah — the family could produce its own groceries.

Can your family really produce all of its own groceries? Does your family have the land, the soil, the water, the sunlight, the climate — forget know-how, we'll come back to that — to grow every conceivable crop your family consumes? Can you really grow coffee, bananas, vanilla, chocolate and everything else your family eats? Your grocery store has fresh tomatoes in stock while there's still snow on [Peavine](#) — how is that possible?

Even if your family somehow can produce all of its own food, should it? Don't most members of your family have other, better paying jobs than what they might earn from subsistence farming and tariff-backed subsidies?

They might, but look — you're running this family like a business. You're losing money right and left on bad trade deals. You give money to the grocery store but what do you get in return? Stuff? Things? Necessities? That all sounds like waste and fraud.

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Santoro: Pack offense is three yards and a cloud of 1963



The Wolf Pack has two rushing touchdowns through four games this season, both by quarterback Chubba Purdy (13).

Nevada Athletics

By Joe Santoro

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Tuesday, September 30, 2025

Jeff Choate's offense is taking Nevada Wolf Pack football fans back six decades.

Choate's Wolf Pack has now failed to score more than 21 points in 10 consecutive games. The scoring drought began with the final six games of 2024 and has carried over to the first four games this season. The Wolf Pack, to nobody's surprise, has gone 1-9 over those 10 point-barren games. The Pack is currently mired in its longest stretch of scoring no more than 21 points in a game since Dick Trachok's three-yards-and-a-cloud-of-dust Pack went 13 in a row over the last four games of 1963 and the first nine of 1964. Trachok's scoring drought began after a 31-16 win over Chico State in October 1963 and ended with a 38-6 win over Chico State in November 1964.

Choate's Wolf Pack, unfortunately, doesn't have Chico State on the schedule this year to get it out of its current scoring dry spell.

Jerry Scattlin's Wolf Pack went nine games in a row without topping 21 points in 1975. That ugly stretch was over the final nine games of 1975. He was fired after the season and replaced by Chris Ault. Ault then put an end to the nonsense in his very first game in 1976 with a 30-13 win over Cal State Hayward and the Pack, for the most part, has been an offensive machine ever since. Until the past 10 games, that is.

Ault's very first Pack team in 1976 scored over 21 points in 10 of its 11 games. His first Pack era, from 1976 through 1982, saw the Pack score over 21 points in 153-of-204 games. He came back in 1994 and 1995 and put more than 21 points on the board in 22-of-23 games (all 12 in 1995) and returned again from 2004-12 and went over 21 in 86-of-116.



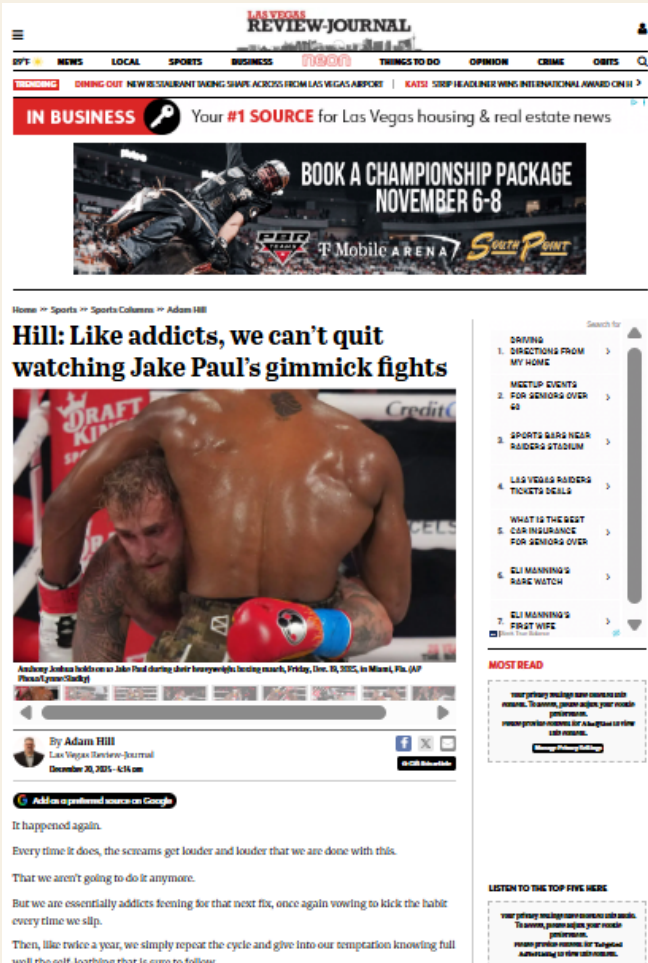
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The screenshot shows the Las Vegas Review-Journal website. The top navigation bar includes links for NEWS, LOCAL, SPORTS, BUSINESS, THINGS TO DO, OPINION, CRIME, and OBITS. A prominent banner for "IN BUSINESS" describes it as the "#1 SOURCE for Las Vegas housing & real estate news". Below this is a large advertisement for a "BOOK A CHAMPIONSHIP PACKAGE NOVEMBER 6-8" at the T-Mobile Arena, featuring a UFC fight. The main article is titled "Hill: Like addicts, we can't quit watching Jake Paul's gimmick fights" and features a photo of Jake Paul in a boxing ring. The author is Adam Hill, a Las Vegas Review-Journal columnist. The article text begins with "It happened again. Every time it does, the screams get louder and louder that we are done with this. That we aren't going to do it anymore. But we are essentially addicts treating for that next fix, once again vowing to kick the habit every time we slip. Then, like twice a year, we simply repeat the cycle and give into our temptation knowing full well the self-loathing that is sure to follow."



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Las Vegas Review-Journal
Gimmick fights, football controversy, and Raiders draft doubts

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FEATURES

Bill Kennedy Remembered as Educator, Industry Leader, and Champion of Craft

By Rachel Dahl

Bill Kennedy, a lifelong educator turned global leader in the specialty coffee industry, passed away unexpectedly this week, leaving behind a legacy defined by teaching, craftsmanship, and an unwavering commitment to people. Kennedy was the owner, president, and CEO of The San Francisco Roaster Company and the founder of Telegraph Coffee & Tap in Fallon. These two enterprises reflected his belief that quality, integrity, and community should always come before scale. He was based in Carson City, Nevada, after moving his production facility from Fallon several years ago in search of a more available workforce. He is survived by his wife and six children.

Those who knew Kennedy describe the loss as profound, not only because of what he built, but because of how he built it. Long before he became a fixture in the international coffee world, Kennedy devoted nearly two decades to public education. He began his career as a teacher and later served as a middle school principal, a calling that never left him. Even after transitioning into manufacturing and business leadership, colleagues say he never stopped being an educator.

He had a rare gift for teaching, whether explaining the mechanics of roasting, upholding a historical reference, or referencing a map of the world he kept in his office, perched full of grin where each San Francisco Roaster had been sent from production in Fallon and later Carson. He quietly encouraged those in his life who stood at professional crossroads with an approach that was patient, warm, and grounded in purpose and support. Kennedy studied industrial management at Leeward Community University, graduating in 1980. This education would later inform his approach to engineering, operations, and leadership, blending practicality with vision.

In 2008, Kennedy purchased Coffee PEEK Inc., located in Fallon, the manufacturer of San Francisco Roasters, from founder Sherman Dodd. Under



Bill Kennedy.

his leadership, the company became synonymous with durability, integrity, and American manufacturing. Kennedy championed machines built to last: mid-century steel drums, U.S.-milled and milled sheet metal, and American-sourced bearings, motors, and electrical components. He expanded the company's offerings beyond the original SP1 and SP4 models to include the SP10, SP20, and SP25, holding roasters of all sizes grew without compromising quality.

But it was not just the machines that earned loyalty; it was Kennedy himself. He became widely known as a mentor who answered calls, welcomed questions, and treated first-time roasters with the same respect as industry veterans. He was readily accessible for service, guidance, and encouragement, often giving more time than was required.

Kennedy's reputation as a behind-the-scenes supporter was cemented through acts that rarely made headlines. In 2016, after a fire destroyed the headquarters of Bull City Brew in North Carolina, Kennedy quietly offered to pay for the owner's Q Grader certification during the rebuilding process. "He's a quality guy who will walk with you through it," said Bull City Brew owner Dan Cox said. "He loved the Lord, loved his family, loved people, and he loved coffee. He had with him that."

Road Magazine founder Connor Rimmhardt described Kennedy as a thoughtful person, physically and personally manifested by his big smile, unmistakable laugh, and genuine kindness. Nearly nine and a half years ago, Rimmhardt brought his vision home to Fallon with the opening of Telegraph Coffee & Tap, giving the community a next-of-kind, elevated coffee experience rooted in craftsmanship and hospitality.

His knowledge and love of coffee were the spark that shaped the shop, but it was his belief in Fallon and in building something special for the community that sustained it.

One of Kennedy's longtime dreams was to place a San Francisco Roaster inside Telegraph, connecting his two worlds. On December 3, that dream became a reality. Telegraph is now home to the only American-made coffee roaster in Fallon, a milestone made possible by Kennedy's determination and belief in what was possible.

"That moment meant everything," Crystal Bowman, the Telegraph's manager said.

In 2023, Kennedy embodied many of his passions as the host of San Francisco's "Coffee Roasting Legends" podcast, where he interviewed figures who helped shape the roasting industry over again stepping into the role of teacher and storyteller.

San Francisco Roaster Company has announced it will honor Kennedy's life by carrying forward his belief, continuing to craft artisan roasters "as he would expect."

At Telegraph, staff say they will miss his morning phone calls, often starting with a simple, "Well, how are you?" along with his enthusiasm for the Fallon community and his relentless drive to make the shop better.

Bill Kennedy's impact reaches far beyond the walls of a roastery or a coffee shop. His legacy lives on in roasters across the world, in businesses guided by integrity, and in people who found their footing because he took the time to help.

How do you move forward when a titan falls? By carrying what he built and how he built it into the future.



Bill Kennedy with the roaster that finally made it to Fallon. Photos courtesy of Telegraph Coffee and Tap.

Allison's Book Report:

"Grace and Henry's Holiday Movie Marathon" By Matthew Norman

By Allison Hight

This week, I have a perfect holiday read for you to snuggle up and devour in one sitting. I'll teach you'll cry, you'll laugh some more! So go ahead - get into your holiday spirit, grab a glass of eggnog, a cup of cocoa, get under your furthest blanket, and get ready to get lost in a great holiday movie. Second chance or love romance?

Matthew Norman's Grace and Henry's Holiday Movie Marathon is a heartwarming story that proves even the darkest winter can lead to a beautiful spring - or in this case, a cozy Christmas. Grace White and Henry Adler are two people linked by a "Great and Terrible Secret," the hint of their spouses within the same year. As the first holiday season without their partners approaches, neither is ready to move on, despite their well-meaning, meddling mother's attempts to set them up.

While resisting the push for romance, Grace and Henry quickly realize they are the only two people who truly understand each other's grief, and a genuine, supportive friendship begins to bloom.

The catalyst for their unexpected bond is a Christmas movie marathon.

For Henry, it was a treasured tradition with his late wife, Becca. To help him through the challenging ritual, Grace, a bar owner and mother of two charming young kids, offers to join the viewing. What starts as a way to



honor a memory slowly becomes a new, shared tradition. As they move through the iconic holiday classics, surrounded occasionally by Grace's children, the heavy weight of their individual secrets begins to lift.

Through their shared laughter, understanding, and, yes, a few emotional moments over the movies, Grace and Henry start to glimpse a future beyond their loss. Their connection grows into something more profound than mere companionship. But as they begin to dream about leaving questions of whether they are genuinely ready for a "second chance at love" - or at all - a single, a result of shared circumstances leaves them uncertain.

Grace and Henry's Holiday Movie Marathon is a poignant, sweet, and often funny tale that balances the real ache of grief with the iridescent, hopeful magic of the holiday season, ultimately asking if they have found a new way to take a chance on all over again.

I know that the holiday is coming or fast, and we are all cranking around trying to get it all done - but I genuinely hope that you get a minute to enjoy this week's pick. I loved this one, and I know you will. Don't forget to pop over to my Instagram (@allison.the.reader for more bookish fun!

Allison Hight is the Executive Chair Coordinator at the Dargel Home for Wayward Girls. She has been reading since before she could read, and now she does during her lunch.

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Tourism leader Rossi Ralenkotter, known for 'unparalleled' love of Vegas, dies at 78

The former LVCVA CEO succumbed to cancer after a 16-year fight. He established Las Vegas as an international brand, and tourism grew fivefold during his career.

Howard Stutz October 10th, 2025 at 8:00 AM Economy Gaming



Rossi Ralenkotter discusses his 45 years with the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority during an interview at the Southern Highlands Golf Club in Las Vegas on Aug. 4, 2023. (Daniel Clark/The Nevada Independent)

Rossi Ralenkotter, who became one of the most influential executives in the U.S. travel industry through his 45 years with the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority (LVCVA), died early Friday after a 16-year battle with cancer.

A spokesperson said Ralenkotter, 78, died at Nathan Adelson Hospice, where he spent the past week surrounded by members of his family — his wife of 37 years, Mary Jo, five children and 10 grandchildren. He served as president and CEO of the LVCVA from 2004 until his retirement in 2018. At the time of his departure, the tourism agency was embroiled in an investigation over the misuse of airline travel gift cards.

Ralenkotter joined the LVCVA in 1973 and was an active participant in the rise and rebrand of Las Vegas from its roots as a casino town to an international destination.

A circular gold award graphic with a blue border. Inside the circle, it says "AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE" at the top, "Nevada PRESS FOUNDATION" in the middle, and "AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE 2026" at the bottom. A gold ribbon banner at the bottom of the circle reads "1ST PLACE".

Howard Stutz

The Nevada Independent

Rossi Ralenkotter

The logo for the Nevada Press Foundation, featuring a blue outline of the state of Nevada above the word "Nevada" in a script font, and "PRESS FOUNDATION" in a bold, sans-serif font below it.

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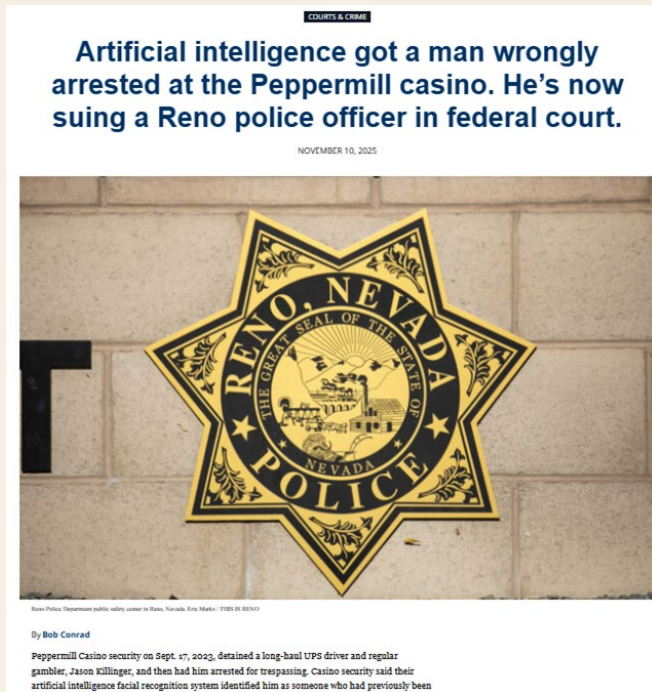


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Bob Conrad
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Facial recognition got a man wrongly arrested at a casino; he's now suing police in federal court

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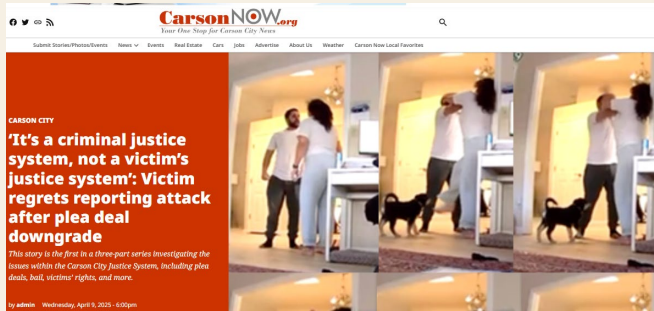


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not a victim's justice system'**

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The screenshot shows the Las Vegas Review-Journal website. The main headline is "Wife of top Clark County official on team of lucrative government project". The article is by Mary Hynes, dated May 1, 2025. The article text is partially visible, mentioning a multimillion-dollar contract and concerns about transparency. The website layout includes a navigation bar, a search bar, and a sidebar with various links and a "MOST READ" section.

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Wife of top Clark County official on team of lucrative government project

Construction is underway on the I-15 Highway and Summerlin Parkway interchange, on Wednesday, April 24, 2025, in Las Vegas. A \$130 million project includes reconstructing ramps, building new bridges, and adding pedestrian and bicycle bridges.

By Mary Hynes
Las Vegas Review-Journal
May 1, 2025 - 6:01 am

Updated May 1, 2025 - 8:25 pm

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The wife of a key Clark County public works official is part of a team that received a multimillion-dollar contract from the department, fueling concerns about a potential conflict of interest in the bidding process and a failure of transparency in the use of public funds.

In December, the county awarded a \$10 million construction management contract to Diversified Consulting Services, which teamed up on its proposal with Rock Solid Project Solutions. Rock Solid is owned by Raquel Floyd, the wife of Jimmy Floyd, who heads the county's construction management division and managed the bidding process.



Mary Hynes

Las Vegas Review-Journal

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Leanna Lehman
Fallon Post

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How Nevada passed immigration protections through a Republican crime bill

Proponents of the bill think they threaded a difficult needle: protecting immigrants but not creating a "sanctuary" policy.

 Isabella Aldrete December 12th, 2025 at 2:00 AM

Criminal Justice Government Immigration Legislature



This story has been translated to Spanish. You can [read it here](#).

For years, Nevada progressives have pushed for expanding protections such as limiting police collaboration with federal authorities and enhancing data privacy for the state's immigrant community.

Now, during the most recent special session, they've secured some of the state's most notable immigration reforms to date through an unexpected vehicle: Republican Gov. Joe Lombardo's crime bill. It's a surprising development given Lombardo's history of opposing expanded immigrant protections.

After the crime bill was reworked by Democrats, the new law will now curtail the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to act on school grounds. It will also require the Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC) to create a detainee locator for all incarcerated people, including those waiting to be picked up by ICE. Another amendment, added into a [school zone safety bill](#), will limit the ability for schools to share students' personal information.

The crime bill passed the Nevada Assembly 31-11 and the Senate 16-2, with solely Democrats in opposition in both chambers.

Policymakers told *The Nevada Independent* that passing the immigration protections required careful deliberation and were helped by urgency to pass Lombardo's crime bill, which had previously died in the final moments of the 2025 regular session. There was speculation that the new amendments could have jeopardized the bill — a key goal for Lombardo since taking office. As a former sheriff of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, the governor has campaigned on restoring a sense of "law and order" to the state.

It's a unique moment for immigration protections to be approved in politically purple Nevada, which has one of the [highest shares of undocumented people nationwide](#) and is experiencing [ballooning ICE arrests](#). In September, Lombardo signed an agreement with the Trump administration to follow the president's immigration agenda, outlining several steps the governor has taken to crack down on unauthorized immigration since 2023.

As part of that agreement, Lombardo [pledged](#) to "counter-balance" any actions the state attorney general and Legislature may take to enact "unlawful sanctuary policies."

But conservatives and progressives pushed back against the idea that the new crime law would risk the federal government reapplying the sanctuary label, saying that the protections do not apply strictly to immigrants. [In a statement on X](#),

<https://thenevadaindependent.com/article/how-nevada-passed-immigration-protections-through-a-republican-crime-bill>

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Headline: The rebirth of an arts scene

Byline: By Andreea Cretu, Culture Editor

The city of Las Vegas is requesting proposals for a new 1.23-acre affordable housing development for artists adjacent to the 18b Arts District.

The [request for proposals](#) asks developers to propose a mixed-use apartment complex with a commercial ground floor and at least two upper residential floors. The city requests that the ground level have “gallery or relevant art-related uses” and also mandates developers to set rents targeting 80% of the Area Median Income. As long as 75% of the units meet the AMI threshold, some mixed-income units may be included.

Tracy Reich, redevelopment manager for the city of Las Vegas, explained that the goal was to create more spaces within the Arts District that support both everyday living and the pursuit of creativity.

“They’re (artists) starting to be priced out a little bit, and then there was never a real abundance of housing in the Arts District for artists that was conducive to being a creative center for them either,” Reich said.

Artists being priced out is not a new concept. The Arts District has developed drastically in the last 25 years and is almost unrecognizable from the rough area it started as when it was formed in 1998.

The Arts District now features dozens of small businesses, including thrift stores, restaurants and bars. It has become a tourist attraction and a popular place for locals to hang out on weekends.

“Historically, artists go to where it’s the cheapest place to create,” Reich said. “Then people find out how wonderful and fun it is, and then it slowly gentrifies and pushes artists out.”

An influx of business and tourism has made the area a focus for modern development, with hundreds of new apartment units currently under construction, gradually spiking rents and contributing to a growing affordability crisis that has directly impacted artists.

An area that once housed downtown creatives has become increasingly unaffordable in the last few years. As a result, they have begun to spread across the city, including long-time local artist Dray Wilmore, known as Dray.



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Who Controls the West: Prayer on Trial

Legal battles over Thacker Pass are over—but Paiute elder Dean Barlese's fight to protect sacred sites goes on.

BY HANNAH TRUBY • COMMUNITY • MARCH 22, 2026

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This story is part of an ongoing series, Who Controls the West, which examines the people, companies and organizations that make decisions over how land and resources are used across the American West. Have ideas for the series? Email editor@sierranevadally.org.

 Spring afternoon at his home on the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe reservation in Nixon, Nevada, Paiute spiritual elder Dean Barlese tells me he's grown used to journalists showing up



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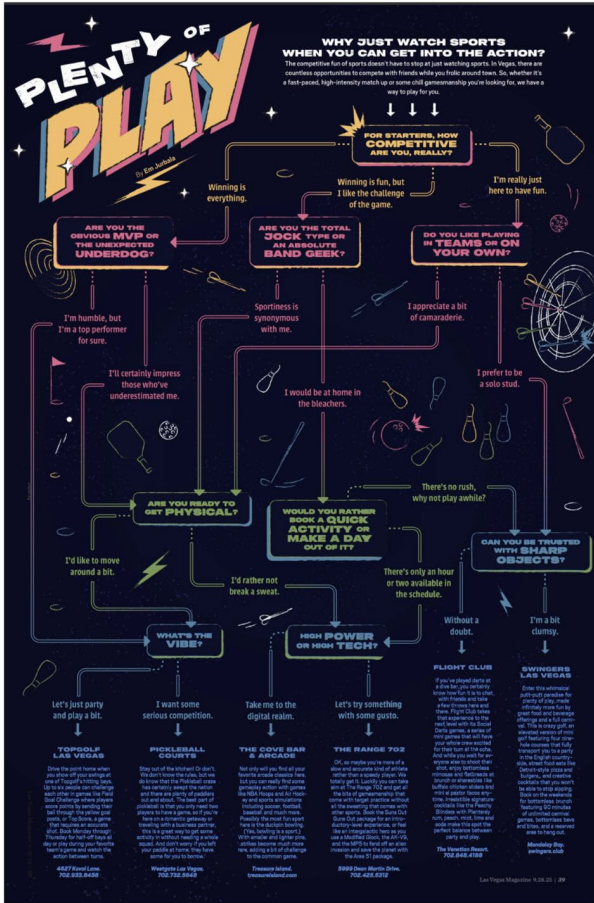


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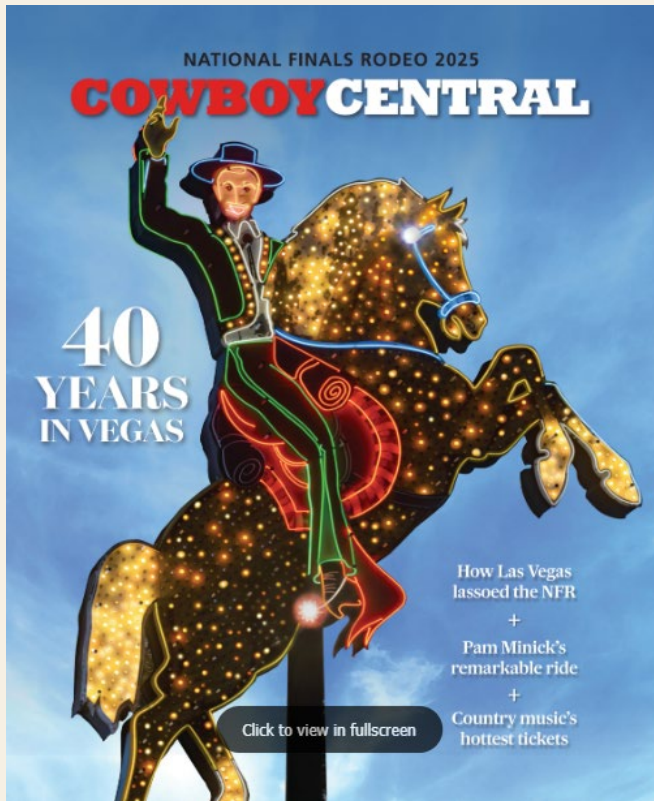


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2025 High School Graduation Edition

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The PROGRESS

MVHS seniors awarded over \$140K in scholarships

By RACHLE BELNAP

The Progress

Mesa Valley High School celebrated its Senior Awards Night at the Ronald Dailly Theater on the evening of May 13.

Families, staff and scholarship donors gathered to honor the Class of 2025, as over \$142,000 in scholarships, the largest amount in MVHS history, was awarded.

The evening opened with remarks from Dennis Foreman, who highlighted the milestones and achievements of the seniors, and the impact you make along the way.

Students were recognized for achievements in academics, athletics, service and leadership. Medals went to those who completed all four years in subjects like science and Spanish. Student council members were honored and will wear cords at graduation. Athletes who played three sports each year were also celebrated, including Tucker Brumley, Garyn Friedrich, Chase Cox, Carter Hall and Maria Nethers.

Numerous community-funded and monetary scholarships were awarded throughout the night. Some were given to hon-



Students receive Mickey graduation caps and Hawaiian leis for the Rubenstein scholarship award.

ored to beloved alumni and local leaders, such as the Cohen Fellowship Memorial, Leslie Marshall and Mathew Hartley. Other Monetary Scholarships, Gibson Valley Rotary Club, Cheyenne Power District, Mesa Valley

awarded to Bryson Walker to inspire youth in aviation.

One crowd favorite came at the end: the Rubenstein Scholarship, awarded with a pair of Mickey Mouse ears and Hawaiian leis, is a longstanding MVHS tradition funded by Scott and Linda Car-

ter. Tegan Jensen, who received multiple awards, reflected, "I did a lot with FFA, I wonder if that's what made me stand out. The Cowboy Poetry scholarship meant the most to me, it was special because my advisor nominated me."

Garyn Friedrich attributed his success to perseverance. "I faced a lot of challenges, but I could just get myself out there." He was especially honored to receive the Grant M. Bowler Scholarship, which rewarded students for both GPA and activity points.

Other major recipients included Richard Jensen, Aaron Watson and Corey Hartman.

As the evening closed, Teresa Kneel offered heartfelt thanks to Dennis Foreman for making the event possible. Though graduation was still ahead, one shared sentiment was the one at the time: the night, the celebration, the scholarship and students had just to be determined.

Virgin Valley seminary graduation honors 2025 seniors

By CHEYLI JENSEN

The Progress

Seminary graduation for Virgin Valley High School seniors was held Sunday, May 18, with 36 seniors attending for completing four years of religious classes.

The event was held at the seminary building of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The students from the East Stake of the LDS Church were Amy Lindberg, Sydney Anderson, Dakota Smith, Audrey Frost, Max Hughes, Jackson Thomas, Brandon Taylor, Charles Wagner, Oliver West, David Lee, Marlene Luchessa, Karlee Lopez, Bryan Longstaff, Nandi Martinez, James Park and Leticia



Seminary graduates with mission calls hold up the flags of the countries they will be serving in.

Smith. Students from the West Stake of the LDS church were Priscilla Smith, Michelle Conley, Anna Cannon, Ari Easton, Weston Feltner, Annette Allen, Esther Anderson, Aaron Hollingsworth, Brian Lamm, Devery Dixon, Mark Davis, Rachel Karch, Lindsey Randall, Jordan Matthews, Brandon Perkins, Connor Perkins, Andrew Cox, McKay Mollado, Camron Olsen and Nicolas Smith.

The seminary council, made up of mission leaders, conducted the morning and spoke at the graduation program. Laminations, graduation, thanked all the students for sharing their love of

TOP OF THE CLASS 2025: Meet the Valedictorians



By JOSHUA LINDORF

The Progress

This year's Mesa Valley High School's race for valedictorian and salutatorian was too close to call. Administrators explained that those titles would come down to the final exams. Here are the top five students for the Class of 2025 and a few words from them.

Max Corder "One thing I'm definitely going to miss is playing sports and being part of a team."



Max Corder



Brandon Hardy

This future plans include serving a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Brandon Hardy "The best part of high school was playing sports and participating in school activities. I'm really going to miss all of the 'fun' high school has plans to serve a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and then attend BYU-Idaho."

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Ari Easton

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Oliver West "One of the things I'm going to miss is playing sports and being part of a team."

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By SYDNEY ANDERSON & KEVIN NICOLAS

The Progress

All of the following students will graduate from Virgin Valley High School as valedictorians for the Class of 2025.

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Oliver West "One of the things I'm going to miss is playing sports and being part of a team."

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Oliver West

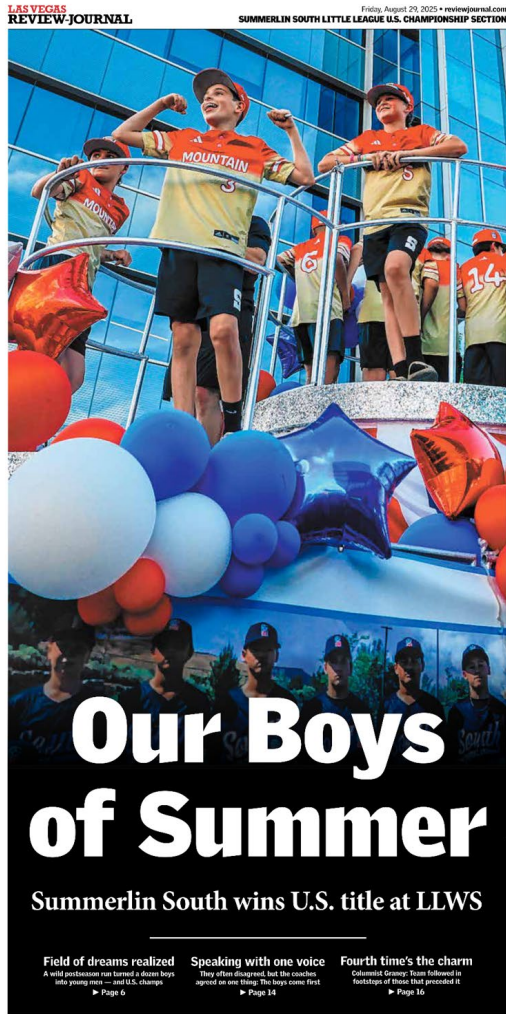
and cross country and participated in the tennis club and National Honor Society. He is currently participating in a leadership program. Oliver has been awarded the September's Modest. This award is given to the student for people who have higher than 3.0 on the ACT, score 30 or higher on at least one AP exam and complete a career goal and leadership. Oliver's plans are to serve an LDS mission in Australia for two years starting in October 2025. When he returns, he wants to get his bachelor's degree in exercise physiology from BYU and become licensed as a physical therapist. Balancing school and extracurriculars is hard for such an involved stu-



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Title: Double trouble: Skatin' Rebels sign defenseman brothers ready to make their mark
Byline: Kelly Johnson

The annual Desert Cup brings in hockey talent from across the West Coast to Las Vegas.

In 2018, brothers Mark and Dylan Gordon were placed on the same team. The brothers from Arizona played their first junior-level game together at the Las Vegas Ice Center, one of three rinks in the Las Vegas valley at the time.

Dylan, younger by two and a half years, took a hit from behind. Little did that player know that Mark was not going to let that hit slide.

"I had just gotten back from my first year of juniors," Mark said, "and so obviously I wasn't going to take that. So I had to grab both of these guys, who were bigger than me, and tried to fight them both. You know, we got cages on and everything, but he was down on the ground, and I'm just like, 'there's no way I'm not gonna stick up for my brother.'"

Little did they know, the brothers would return to Las Vegas to help the Skatin' Rebels defend their title as two of the newest defensemen for the Skatin' Rebels.

Despite growing up in Arizona, the Gordons grew up Detroit Red Wings fans, with their favorite player being Pavel Datsyuk. Hockey has always been a part of the Gordon lifestyle.

Even while living in the desert, their father built them a homemade roller rink in their backyard to develop their game and foster a passion for the sport.

Safe to say, the backyard rink did its job. Alongside that passion, it fostered a mindset of selflessness and being team players.

On why he chose the program, Mark said, "Everyone was just on the same page, and I could sense that when I first visited in January. Everyone was included in everything, you know, in conversations. No little conversations were going on. Everyone was included."

Coming off their championship-winning season, the Rebels sought new talent to continue the momentum and to be team players. The Rebels lost multiple players due to graduation and immediately filled those roster spots, including the Gordon brothers.

When asked why they signed with the team, they shared that they wanted to be a part of the culture that had been fostered in Las Vegas.



Kelly Johnson

The Scarlet & Gray Free Press

Double trouble: Skatin' Rebels sign defenseman brothers ready to make their mark

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Anne Davis

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Still on Its Feet

The extravagance. The skill. The hard-scabble stories that lead to iconic wins and heartbreaking losses. If there's a sport that encapsulates Las Vegas more than boxing, you'd have to look hard to find it.

Las Vegas has been the Fight Capital of the World for generations, since the days of Muhammad Ali and Joe Frazier. Yet in 2025, boxing is no longer the only game in town. Vegas is now home to big-league basketball, football, hockey, and (soon) baseball teams, as well as the UFC headquarters. So what does this recent athletic infusion mean for the future of Vegas' OG sport?

While pay-per-view and large title fights seem to still favor Vegas (Exhibit A: the September 13 Canelo Alvarez vs. Terence Crawford fight at Allegiant Stadium, which raked in a reported \$47 million in ticket sales from more than 70,000 attendees), experts agree this might not always be the case. Especially considering the neglect shown to amateur fights.

"There are so many things you can do in Vegas now," says Bruce Trampler, a two-time Hall of Fame promoter who moved to Nevada in the mid-1980s to continue working with Vegas-based Top Rank. "And so for the amateurs, specifically, you'd usually be relying on locals (to attend

fights) — and the locals have more to do."

This wasn't always the case. As Trampler recounts, Nevada's boxing scene has always been dependent on small fighters, even dating back to its beginning in 1897, when the state became the first in the U.S. to legalize professional prizefighting.

Originally brought to the mining towns of Northern Nevada, the sport gradually moved south as settlement of the state expanded into places like Goldfield — home to the 1906 Joe Gans vs. Oscar Nelson bout, which reportedly drew a crowd of over 6,000, lasted 42 rounds, and was dubbed the "Fight of the Century."

That matchup wouldn't hold the moniker

Sports Feature Writing

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The Greenwave Hall of Fame inducted three state championship baseball teams, one coach, two contributors and four athletes on Saturday.

Fallon's 'Glory Days' shine again

Greenwave Hall of Fame inducts 8th class

By Thomas Ranson
Ranson is a staff writer.

BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN'S "Glory Days" wasn't written about Fallon but on Saturday night, it might as well have been.

As the Greenwave Hall of Fame welcomed its eighth class, the spirit of Springsteen's hit song lingered in the air, not through speakers, but through shared memories, heartfelt laughter and quiet tears that filled the Fallon Convention Center.

Keynote speaker Kelly Smith Frost invoked the

"great legacies"

among those celebrating, reflecting on dusty fields, gravel playgrounds and the coaches who shaped her path from a small-time athlete to a collegiate standout. Her message was clear: glory days aren't just about the past, they're about the people who helped you get there.

"My story begins here," Frost said. "It was hard work, dumb luck and playing with my heart and head. I feel so fortunate that I grew up in Fallon with so many caring adults who supported me and my teammates. You have left a

Thursday with a social mixer, followed by Friday's football game when inductees were introduced at halftime to a roaring home crowd. But Saturday's ceremony was the emotional centerpiece, honoring athletes, coaches and contributors whose legacies continue to shape Churchill County.

The Class of 2025 included four athletes, one coach, two contributors and three historic baseball teams.

Commons, a three-sport standout and three-time state softball champion, said the weekend was a chance to reconnect with teammates and coaches.

"I haven't seen (inductee)

Ritigh (Riches) since high school, so it was amazing to see her last night," Commons said. "Getting to catch up tonight was great. (Inductee) coach (Aimee) Smith really shaped who I was as an athlete."

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Governor slated to be in Fallon

Staff report

Gov. Joe Lombardo will be in Fallon on Thursday for a meet and greet from 9-10 a.m. at The Gold, 1120 Taylor Place.

To reserve your attendance, go to [The URL.com/BVP/Fallon](https://www.ill.com/BVP/Fallon). Lombardo, a Republican, first ran for governor four years ago

and is seeking re-election. Lombardo was elected as the 31st Governor of Nevada in November 2022 and sworn into office in January 2023. He is focused on diversifying and revitalizing Nevada's economy, restoring law and order in communities across the state and bringing excellence, school

choice, and accountability to Nevada's education system.

Prior to becoming governor, Lombardo served two terms as Clark County sheriff. During his two terms, he oversaw a \$1.2 billion budget, 6,000 employees and LVPD's efforts to protect millions of Clark County residents and visitors each day.



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Point guard Myles Che, who is Taiwanese American, transferred to UNLV from UC Irvine, where he led the program to the Big West championship.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

'Linsanity' lit the spark, and Myles Che hopes to turn it into a blaze at UNLV

By Ray Brewer
A member of the press corps at the Las Vegas Sun

Myles Che, the point guard who led the team to the Big West championship, is thinking — that he'll be easy to guard.

But Che, UNLV's new point guard, has other plans. Often, he makes them pay for that assumption.

"You can see it in their eyes. They think it's going to be something easy," he says. "That was one of the best things for me growing up — I always played with a chip on my shoulder. I just had that edge."

The confidence, he admits, is intimidating. "I've had coaches tell me that I'm the defender and being able to tell them to defend. That's the best."

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Che (17) makes a move on UC San Diego guard Douglas Gray (3) during the Big West championship game.

There's only a handful of Asian players in the college game — a lot Che can relate to. He, Keanu Reeves, who transferred from UC Irvine, where he led the program to the Big West championship, he's believed to be the only Asian point guard in the Big West.

CONGRESS

Titus, Trump loyalists align on gambling tax fix

By Kyle Christensen
A member of the press corps at the Las Vegas Sun

U.S. Rep. Steve Titus (R-Nev.) is supporting the legislation opposing a tax second provision added to President Donald Trump's "Big Beautiful Bill" saying how much he's helped from gambling earnings to 90% of those the bill has.

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HIGHER EDUCATION

Stars are aligning for successful CSN film program

Editor's note: This article is a reworked version of the original.

By Ray Brewer
A member of the press corps at the Las Vegas Sun

Applying film studies at the College of Southern Nevada are looking more on the national stage, with the school's film program receiving recognition and the leading film program in Nevada.

With a remarkable 10 nominations and two wins at the Sundance Film Festival, the CSN students continue to set the bar for creative excellence and hard-core training.

CSN's program, however, students in every aspect of film making — from directing and screenwriting to marketing the films in cinema and lighting.

technology. The program's collaborative spirit is at the heart of its success, encouraging students to work together on production and behind-the-scenes work.

Recent highlights include the film "The Last Days of Pompeii," which won Best Student Film at the Sundance Film Festival.

Last month at the National Academy of Television, Arts and Sciences Pacific Southwest Emmy Awards in San Diego, CSN's film program won Best Student Film.

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Ray Brewer, a member of the press corps at the Las Vegas Sun, standing in front of a display of film equipment.

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— Comeback for the Ages —

Longhorns erase large double-digit deficit to shock Mustangs for first-ever state title

Martin hits corner game-winner with just seconds left to play

By Tony Erquiaga
Great Basin Sun

RENO — As a young boy or girl, every child has that dream of scoring the winning touchdown, hitting the walk-off home run or making the game-saving catch.

In basketball — it's the game-winning shot that makes everyone go crazy.
For Battle Mountain senior Abel Martin, he may never have to pay for another meal in his hometown and probably live a lifetime pass to any BMHS event.
Martin, who suffered a knee injury a season ago, told BMHS coach David Ravalcaba he wanted to take the shot that would give the Longhorns their first state title in program history.



TONY ERQUIAGA • Great Basin Sun
The Battle Mountain bench celebrates after a basket in a blowout win over Lake Mead in Friday's semifinal game at Wooster High School in Reno.



TONY ERQUIAGA • Great Basin Sun
Battle Mountain's Brodie Smith comes down with a rebound in Saturday's game against Needles, Calif.

Moments after Needles, Calif., took the game at 67 after making of 1-2 free throws, Battle Mountain came out of a timeout and following a couple dribbles by Abraham Nevarez, he found Martin in the corner by the Battle Mountain bench and the rest was history.

After Martin's corner basket, the Longhorns intercepted a Mustang pass after a timeout, sending the crowd at Wooster High School into hysteria.
"I knew it was going to be a different moment than the night before," Ravalcaba said. "We knew what kind of team Needles was. The start was not us — that's not how we play. After the first quarter, we settled down and I told the guys we need to just clip away."

What hasn't been mentioned yet, it was one of the biggest comebacks in state history, as Battle Mountain was down 24 points in the second half.

Trailing 17-5 in the first quarter, an old-fashioned 3-point by senior base Martinez cut the Needles' lead to single digits but the Mustangs reeled off the next nine points to lead 26-8 after eight minutes of play.

Chase Lutz made sure the bank was open on Saturday, as the junior opened the second quarter with a 20-footer off the glass.
The Longhorns went into half-time trailing 35-18.

The Mustang advantage quickly grew to 47-23 and 51-28 in the third quarter, as nothing was going right for the Longhorns.
Two baskets each by Giovanni Ravalcaba and Adam Nevarez trimmed the advantage to 53-48

late in the third quarter.
Aided by ill-advised shots from Needles and good defense from Battle Mountain, a running basket by Abraham Nevarez closed the gap to 53-41.

The comeback began in half force midway through the fourth quarter, when Martin knocked down a 3-pointer to make the score 58-48.

With 2:38 to play, Needles extended its lead to 63-48, when Ravalcaba nailed a 3-pointer. The Battle Mountain defense forced a turnover moments later and Martin made two free throws to close the score to 63-53.

With 1:20 to play, Needles missed two free throws and was called for a player-control foul. Ravalcaba made it very interesting with consecutive 3-pointers to climb within six points (65-56) with 2:33 to play.
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TONY ERQUIAGA • Great Basin Sun
Battle Mountain's Abel Martin drives through the lane for a shot during Saturday's championship game.

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Notice is hereby given the Board of Trustees of the Orovalda General Improvement District, Humboldt County, State of Nevada, will hold a public hearing on March 26, 2026, at 6:00 PM in the Orovalda Fire House Meeting Room, 250 Duffy Drive, Orovalda NV 89425 for the purpose of discussing, considering, approving, or not approving, a resolution to increase the Water and Sewer Rates and Connection and Water Fees. A copy of the current rates and fees can be found in GID Rules and Regulations and is available by emailing request to orovadagid@gmail.com / Call 208-328-3973. All persons are invited to attend this public hearing and be heard regarding the proposed actions. Prior to this public hearing, written comments can be submitted to the Orovalda GID, mailed to P.O. Box 134 Orovalda, Nevada 89425 or emailed to orovadagid@hotmail.com. All comments will be considered.

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Betting scandals unlikely to prompt changes at Nevada sportsbooks

By Todd Dewey
Las Vegas Review-Journal
November 27, 2015 - 12:42 pm

Sports betting scandals have stained the NBA, NCAA, MLB and UFC in the past month alone, prompting a U.S. Senate inquiry into what lawmakers called "a new integrity crisis" facing American sports.



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NIAA addresses state wrestling venue controversy

By ANTHONY VARRIANO

The Progress

The Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA) has typically alternated between northern and southern venues for the state wrestling championships on an annual basis. They even took the tournament out of state in the Anderson State Group Fieldhouse in Baffled City, Arizona, in 2024 to continue that tradition. So, after the state tournament was held in February in 2025, the expectation was that the tournament venue would be done with this year. That didn't happen, as the distant Henderson Events Complex was now grand and had the NIAA as its pro.

The NIAA is not in a financial place to reject such generous and affordable offers, despite past practices, "and NIAA meeting minutes from Sept. 22-24. "The NIAA cannot continue business as usual. "There have been changes, and the association needs to adapt and make changes to provide the best experience to the student athletes."

The NIAA is not in a financial place to

alternate between venues because, according to 2023 rules 900, the NIAA open and at a \$59,255 deficit going into 2024, in violation of Nevada Administrative Code 388.156, which states that the executive director acquires the "venue" that the association does not incur expenses that exceed the amount of money available for expenditure by the Association for a fiscal year."

"When it became apparent we could not secure a venue that met our needs, we turned to Henderson, and they agreed to be the best site," said NIAA executive director Timothy Jackson. "That made it necessary to change the approved NIAA calendar, and request board of control approval, hence the vote to change the calendar through the association's normal governance process."

But Mesa Valley High School head wrestling coach Ryan Anderson says the fieldhouse in Arizona "was also offered first of change, and the Rob Cate wrestling postmaster coordinator told the NIAA he could get the Arizona fieldhouse for less and he'd even pay for it — a donation of \$9,000."

Jackson, though, had already commi-

ted to Henderson, as indicated by meeting minutes, and said that "reversing the grand-open bid in Henderson would seriously credibility and their willingness to host in the future." NIAA voting member Colin McLaughlin even stated he did not feel it was within the executive director's authority to make such decisions without the approval of the board of control. Regard-

less, Henderson was the agreed-upon location, and as a result, hotel and motel rooms are booked.

The Reno Gazette-Journal reported that Henderson had more prices for the state wrestling championships were as high as \$700 per night. That's because there are only about 1,500 to 1,700 hotel or motel rooms available in the Henderson area.

The Railroad City/Laughlin area has more than 10,000.

"A lot of us were ticked off because that

manufactured a bunch of trouble," Anderson said. "I'm not out for blood. I just want it to be run fairly and openly." Despite making reservations well in advance, Anderson and his family were forced to stay in a motel that had his friends "crying" up

when they visited him for his 50th birthday. But the association just passed onto the parents of northern Nevada student athletes. The Clark County School District also has to cover the cost to bus athletes to the northern tournament venue, estimated at \$125,000 by Pamela Sloan, president of the NIAA Board of Control and Clark County School District athletic director.

When asked why the state wrestling championships can't be held at multiple venues based on region, Sloan, the 45-year-old woman, was this year in Las Vegas. Jackson said, "The 4A Class of wrestling is conference-based, and all teams are based in and around Clark County. While the NIAA strives to have all wrestlers compete at one location, the board of control has taken into consideration the enormous costs associated with moving one statewide division for the state tournaments."

Jackson didn't comment on saying where future state wrestling tournaments could be held, but the indication is that the days of alternating locations are done, and the days of using donated venues, regardless of lodging availability, have just begun.

Health District will not move forward with residential septic updates

The Southern Nevada District Board of Health voted at a special meeting not to move forward with the proposed updates to the Individual Sewage Disposal System (ISDS) regulations following significant community feedback.

The vote follows a recent public meeting attended by approximately 1,000 residents, along with feedback and comments submitted during the review process.

"As Chair of the Board of Health, I took seriously the responsibility to evaluate the feedback we received and determine the best path forward," said Scott Black, Chair of the Southern Nevada District Board of Health and North Las Vegas Mayor Pro Tem. "After careful consideration, the board decided to withdraw these proposed updates. We heard clearly from our community, and that input directly shaped this decision."

The proposed updates were intended to modernize 17-year-old regulations, clarify existing standards and strengthen

groundwater protections as Clark County continues to grow. The Health District emphasized that the proposal did not revoke water rights, require new permits for existing residential septic system owners or require new fees on current systems.

Based on the substantial public feedback received and the direction of the Board, the Health District will not advance the residential portion of the proposed ISDS regulations updates.

"We recognize that septic system requires a significant investment for homeowners," said Dr. Christine Leckert, District Health Officer for the Health District. "Our team committed to protecting public health and groundwater while continuing to work collaboratively with residents in our community process."

The Health District will continue to evaluate water quality and public health through existing regulations, monitoring and enforcement programs. For more information, visit www.SNHD.info/septic.



Jack Robison received the Employee of the Year 2025 award at the March 11 City of Henderson meeting. L-R: Mayor Jesse Whipple, Jack Robison and Travis Anderson.

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the department for the past seven years. Deputy Fire Chief Thornton said, "White's unwavering dedication and commitment

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Breeding in BC? Probably not

Council directs staff to draft stringent anti-breeding regulation

By Bill Evans
Boulder City Review

When staff comes back with a draft ordinance, if adopted, it would represent the most restrictive law on commercial breeding in the region and probably also has brought the practice of "hobby" breeding to another issue that has been debated for at least a couple of years.

After a resident went to the city in summer of 2023 seeking a license to breed dogs, City Attorney Britany Walker brought the council a proposed ordinance that would both establish a procedure for getting that license as well as instituting a "breeder" permit that would allow the permit holder to have more than the statutory limit of three dogs or cats.

They were two separate items. On breeding, the city was out of compliance with state law requiring a process for getting a breeding permit. City law made an exception to spay and neuter requirements if an animal owner had a "valid state breeding permit."

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ANNUAL FOURTH OF JULY TRADITION

By Ron Eland
Boulder City Review

Hot Tub Liquidators were an easy target thanks to their custom T-shirts. The wet zone always lives up to its name during the Dumbstone parade. For more photos, see pages 6-7.



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Lifejacket donations aim to save lives

By Ron Eland
Boulder City Review

Greg Bell's memory lives on by way of a generous donation that may save lives.

Later summer, while paddling downriver with family and friends, high winds at Lake Mead knocked them into the water. Bell, 56, failed to regain the others. His body was found a few days later by park rangers.

It was determined that the Las Vegas Resident was not wearing a lifejacket. Recently, the Lake Mead National Recreational Area received more than 200 new lifejackets, valued at \$9,000, from the nonprofit organization, Assisting Lives in Las Vegas.

The donations, made in the memory of Bell, has significantly expanded the park's lifejacket rescue station program with summer use here and an increase in visitors to the lake.

"Partnering with the gateway communities and groups like Assisting Lives is essential to the success of the national parks," LMR Superintendent Mike Gaudin said. "These partnerships simplify our reach, strengthen our impact, and help us provide lifesaving resources to the public. It's through this kind of shared stewardship that we can truly protect both people and places."

Bell's wife, Serena, who was wearing a lifejacket at the time, said, "I'm grateful for the lifejackets that were donated to the park."

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Council confusion: The leash law saga continues

By Bill Evans
Boulder City Review

It comes to the issue of off-leash dogs in public parks. The first case "The area we have most of the human conflicts between dog people and non-dog people is at Pratt Field," said Boulder City Police Chief Tim Shaw. "That is where most of them occur. Up to and including one just recently, where the person had to purchase his opinion with his pistol."

It illustrates how divided and passionate both sides are in this argument. While, in the past, public comment on the issue has pretty heavily favored those supporting a tighter and actually enforceable law, at Tuesday's meeting, those speaking in public comment leaned more toward the side of "don't change anything."

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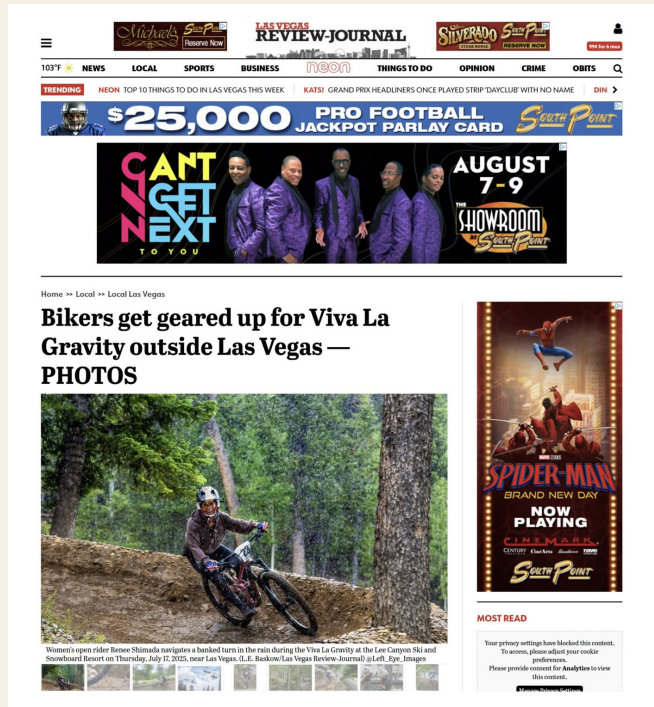
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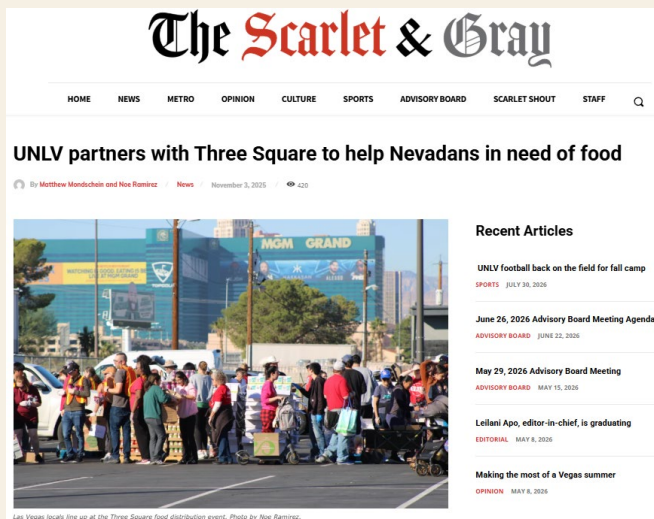
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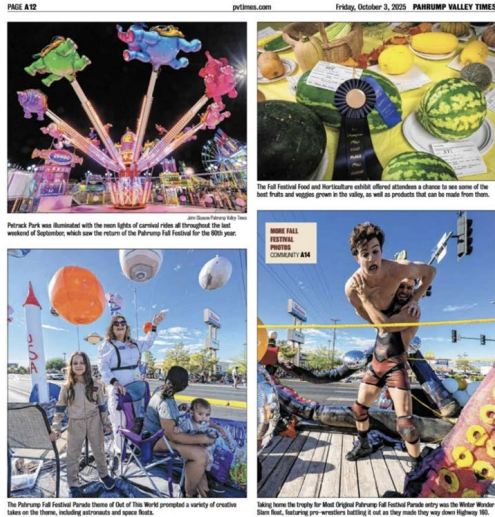


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BY HANNAH TRUBY • COMMUNITY • MARCH 22, 2026





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County Commission lauds participants in search operation

Recognized for 'extraordinary efforts' in plane, pilot recovery

By Bill Evans
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In January, news reports were full of stories about a small private plane that had gone missing after taking off from an airport in North Las Vegas, which was later found crashed near the top of Mount Jefferson, about 75

miles northeast of Tonopah. Earlier this month, the Ryan County Board of County Commissioners officially recognized a number of people and organizations that worked as the search and recovery operation.

The commission officially recognized the "extraordinary efforts" undertaken in response

to the disappearance on Jan. 2, 2023, and eventual recovery of a missing aircraft and its occupant as challenging terrain and conditions.

The proclamation specifically calls out Director of Emergency Management Scott Lewis, David Lunsford, who is an administrator in the same agency, as well as

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The challenges in changing to agrivoltaics

This commercial solar alternative could offer an abundance of community benefits

By Todd Roberts
tonopah@times-bonanza.com

When discussing agrivoltaics, NVN Northern Nevada County Executive Katherine Edwards-Moore, Adams' position for this growing alternative to the standard commercial solar facility is generally optimistic. So too is her realism in recognizing the challenges.

Edwards quickly acknowledges that there are many challenges to be faced before agrivoltaics can become a reality in Nevada's solar

This is the first installment in our three-part series on agrivoltaics. For the second and final installment of the series, see the May 30 edition of the Times-Bonanza and Part Two was published in the May 27 edition. Both are also online at times-bonanza.com.



Northern Nevada County Executive Katherine Edwards-Moore, left, visited several agrivoltaic sites in the Northern U.S. as part of a grant-funded tour she took to learn more about the potential for the alternative in the traditional solar model.

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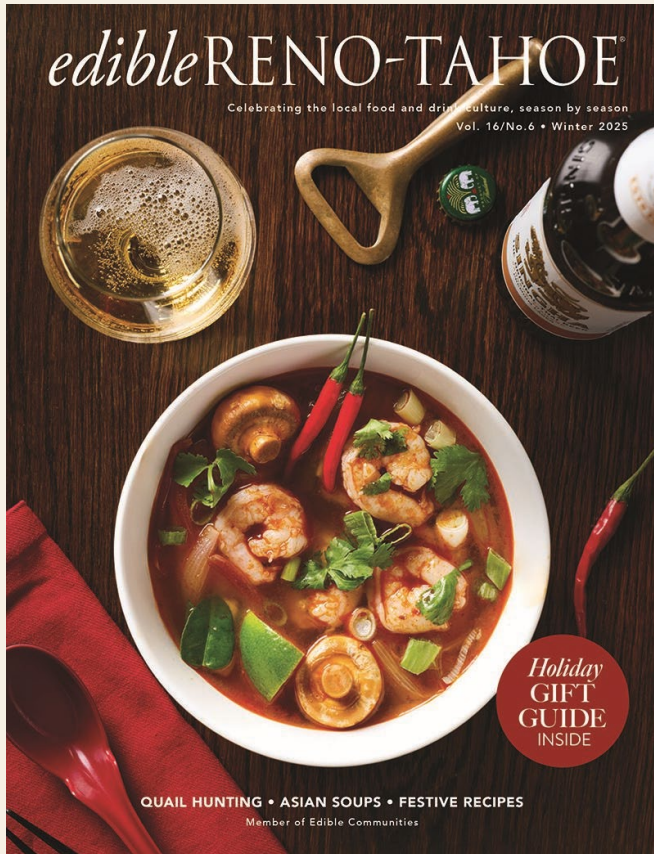


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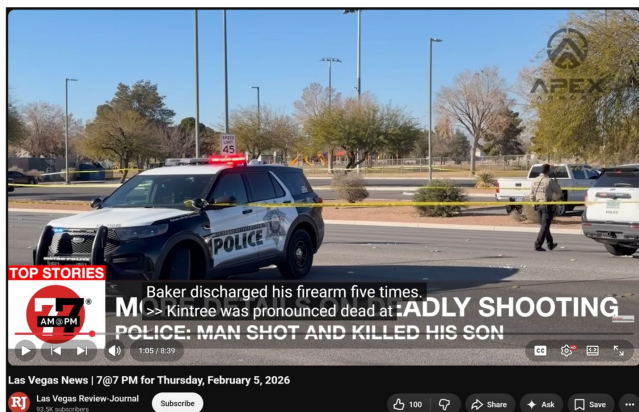
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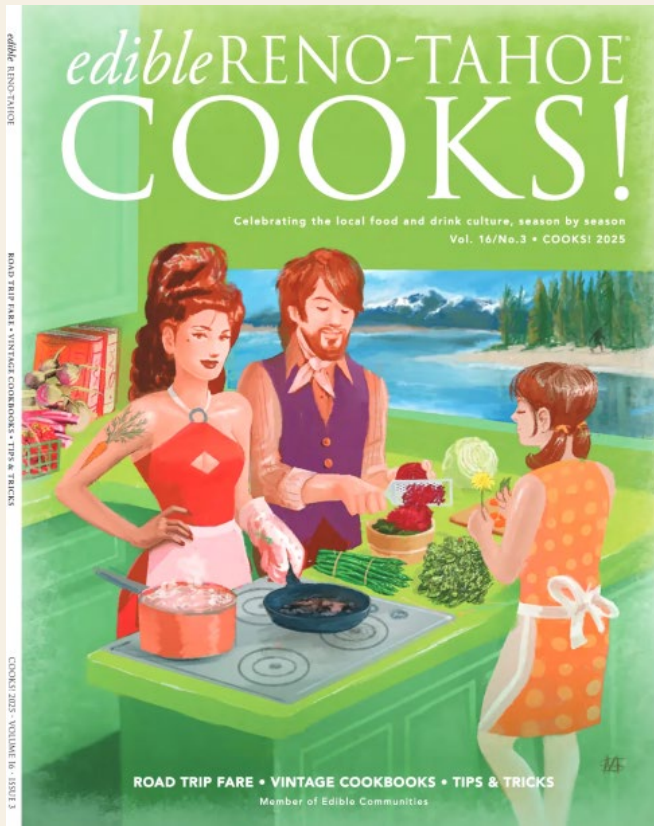
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Task Force Update:

Seizures, Trends, and the High Cost of Drug Abuse—Part I

By Leanna Lehman

The North Central Nevada Task Force (NCNTF) presented at the Churchill Community Coalition quarterly meeting on Wednesday, March 18, to update the community on recent Task Force activity and narcotics trends in Churchill County.

NCNTF is a multiagency task force composed of personnel from the Nevada State Police Investigation Division, the Fallon Police Department, and the Churchill County Sheriff's Office. It partners with other regional task forces and federal agencies like the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to disrupt illegal narcotics trafficking and protect the communities of Churchill County and surrounding areas.

The presentation coincided with the release of details on a major Task Force arrest that led to the seizure of 525 grams of methamphetamine. After a two-month investigation, a high-level drug trafficking arrest was made that also included the seizure of 11.9 grams of psilocybin

mushrooms, illegal prescription drugs, and drug sales paraphernalia.

Task force officer Garret Long reported that in 2025-26, the NCNTF seized 5,229 grams (11.52 pounds) of methamphetamine, 2,090 grams (4.6 pounds) of marijuana, 19 grams of psilocybin mushrooms, and 1.6 grams of heroin.

In addition, NCNTF seized nearly 62 grams of fentanyl, or 30,900 lethal doses. According to Task Force statistics, the population of Churchill County in 2024 was 25,805. That means that, for every person in the area, 1.2 lethal doses (about two milligrams) were confiscated.

"Although that is a small number, it is a drastic impact on the community," Long said. Unfortunately, this rise aligns with other Task Force statistics that show Nevada has seen a 250% increase in fentanyl overdoses since 2020.

In that same timeframe, NCNTF seized \$9,841 in cash and \$8,865 in firearms. Drugs seized in controlled buys were valued at \$24,940,

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UNLV embarks on Indigenous immersion experience

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UNLV's Alternative Breaks program held an immersion event, allowing students to volunteer for the Native American Heritage Cultural Celebration in Overton, Nevada.

The event highlighted Indigenous culture, allowing those who attended to gain a glimpse and a better understanding of a culture that has not been recognized as much as it should.

The event took place at the Lost City Museum on Feb. 28, giving attendees a chance to experience indigenous dances, such as a powwow, originating from the Great Plains tribal tradition, and to explore cultural exhibits, making it accessible and memorable for all.

However, even if the cultures of the Indigenous peoples are in a museum, such as the Paiute, it doesn't mean that the culture is dead or not being practiced. The purpose of the event, as A.B. Wilkinson, the organizer and head of the event, stated, "The event is about sharing the culture with the community and helping to educate about Native Americans still being here, not just a relic of the past."

According to UNLV's facts and stats webpage, about 4% of the UNLV community identifies as a Native American or Alaska Native. UNLV issues a land acknowledgement whenever a major event occurs, recognizing that the university is built on land that the Southern Paiute and Nuwu people once occupied. The land is part of their traditional lands, so UNLV takes the time to acknowledge this fact. Still, the community must actively work to preserve and honor these traditions. And acknowledgment alone isn't enough to keep the culture alive.

"These events that we do kind of in our spaces are more for the Native community and more, you know, just working on keeping the cultures intact and revitalizing the culture," Wilkinson stated.

Wilkinson emphasized the importance of actively participating in such events to foster pride and ensure the culture's vitality for future generations.

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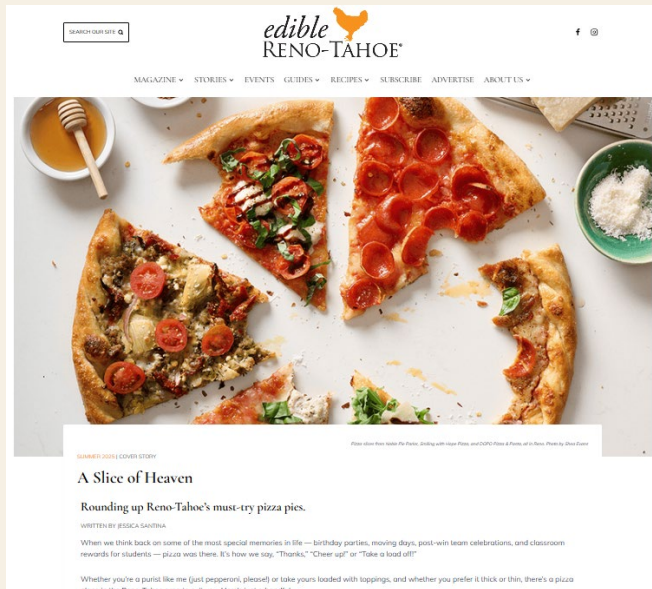
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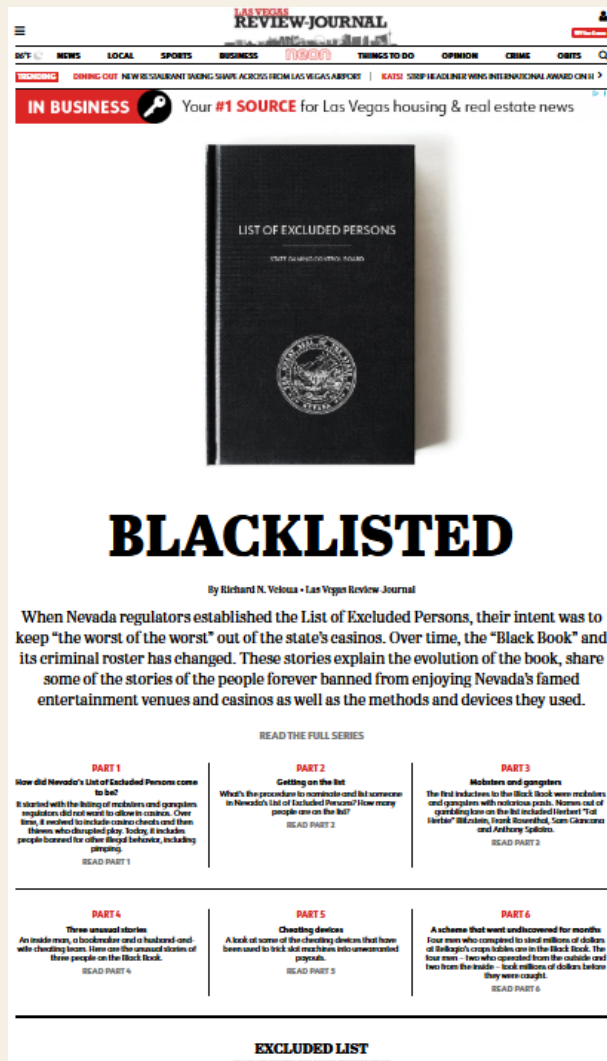
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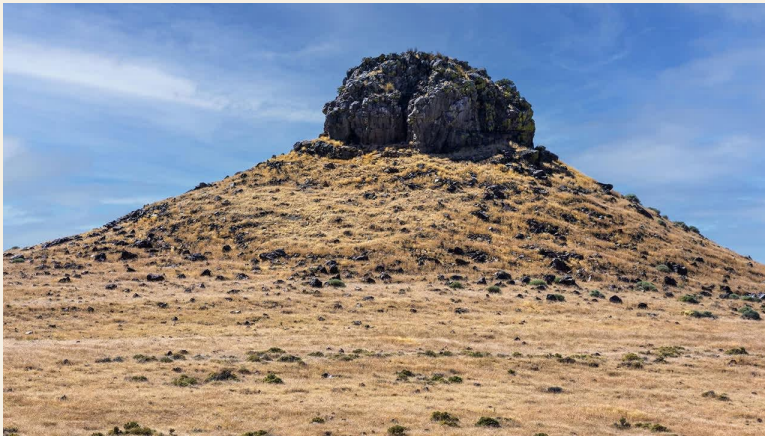
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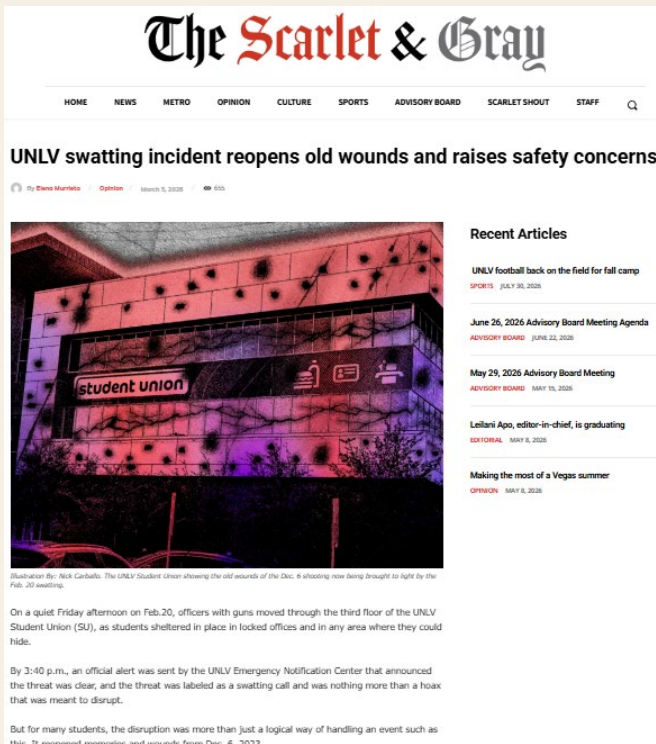
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