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EVENTS

SPECTACULAR SUMMER FUN WITH BEST FRIENDS

There is a destination in southern Utah where 30,000 animal lovers pilgrimage worldwide each year. This place is the home and headquarters of Best Friends Animal Society, which operates the largest animal sanctuary in the United States.

Best Friends Animal Sanctuary, located just outside Kanab, Utah, close to Zion and Bryce National Parks, cares for about 1,600 animals on any given day and offers free visitor and volunteer experiences at every level. It's the dogs, cats, horses, bunnies, pigs, goats, and more that attract visitors for the first time. But it's the sense of community, the stunning ambiance, and the peaceful energy of the Sanctuary that keep people coming back.

What began as a dream by its co-founders in 1984 to save homeless pets, Best Friends' Sanctuary has grown from endless acres of rustic land formerly used as dinosaur stomping grounds. An area that was once a backdrop for Western mov-

ies is now home to a national organization working to end the killing of dogs and cats in America's shelters.

At the Sanctuary, visitors can see and experience Best Friends' lifesaving work in action, while volunteers have the potential for such activities as socializing puppies or bunnies, feeding popcorn to pigs, taking a cat on a stroller ride, taking a dog for a walk, playing with kittens or taking select pets on a sleepover.

salad bar, main dish, sides, desserts, and coffee or tea from 11:30 AM to 1 PM.

Lodging can be found on-site in one of the Sanctuary's several cabins and cottages with views of horse pastures and starry skies, or at the organization's hotel the Best Friends Roadhouse & Mercantile, in downtown Kanab, winner of the 2022 and 2023 Best Motel Award from Best of State Utah.

Designed as the most pet-centric hotel in the country, the Roadhouse extends the



Our guest rooms and amenities will bring delight to both our human guests and our furry visitors. Each room is named for a beloved Best Friends alum animal, and the foyers are designed to keep pets safe in the room as you come in and out (we're thinking of you, ninja door dashers).

Pets also have their own sleeping nooks or comfy beds (in select rooms)—right next to their people. And if you have a picky cat who doesn't care to share the room with canine counterparts, you can choose one of our two designated "cats only" rooms.

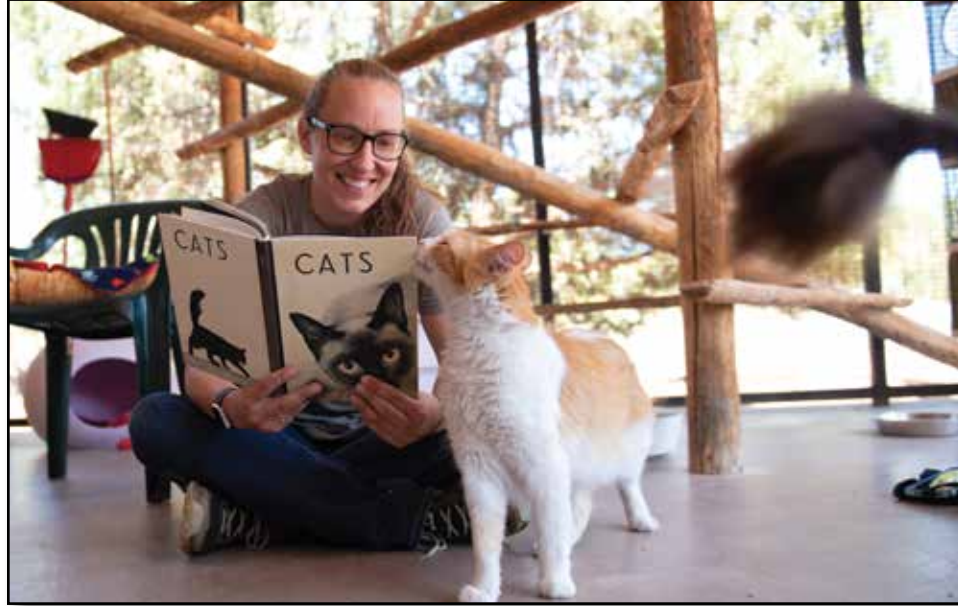
We haven't forgotten about you, humans! From comfy, sweet-dream-inducing bedrooms and warm, welcoming sitting areas to beautifully tiled bathrooms and smooth-sliding barn doors, we designed each space for your comfort.

From May through October, guests can also enjoy yoga at 9 AM on Saturday mornings, live music on the Roadhouse stage at 6 PM on Saturday evenings, and stargazing and bonfires every night.

Coffee is available in the Mercantile building starting at 6:30 AM. A vegan continental breakfast is provided for lodging guests in the Mercantile from 7:30 to 9 AM.

However long you plan to visit Kanab — a few hours, days, or even weeks — you won't want to miss the magic of the Best Friends experience!

Visit bestfriends.org to learn more about the Sanctuary and bestfriendsroadhouse.org to book a stay at the Best Friends Roadhouse & Mercantile.



There are daily tours in animal care areas such as Horse Haven and Parrot Garden, where you can learn about these magnificent animals up close and personal, as well as Grand Sanctuary tours. These activities are free and fun for the whole family.

Guests can also enjoy a \$5 daily vegan buffet lunch at the Village Café, which boasts a million-dollar view of the stunning Southern Utah canyons surrounding the Sanctuary. The buffet includes a fantastic

Sanctuary experience by offering guests sleepovers of Sanctuary dogs, cats, and bunnies or a warm welcome to your pets (up to 4 in each room at no charge). What's more, every stay benefits the lifesaving work of Best Friends Animal Society.

The Roadhouse features 40 rooms and a variety of dog- and cat-friendly amenities and services, dog washing stations, pet walking, and a fenced dog park area with a splash zone. It's an animal lover's dream come true!



PUBLISHER' PERSPECTIVE: WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

By Josh Warburton



This has been a challenging time in the publishing business. And when I say that, I mean the last 20 years or so. While publishing has never been an easy business, especially when a publication's existence is based on advertising

sales, it's been increasingly difficult in the last few years for publications everywhere. And I'm sure many of you have heard stories of newspapers and news websites down-

sizing and going out of business. BuzzFeed.com was recently in the news because they are shutting down. There are many reasons for this, principally Google and Facebook gobbling up all the advertising dollars that used to go to local news entities, but that's another article.

That said, we here at The Independent have the fortunate position of being in a high tourism area and having a very local and appreciative customer and reader base. And while we are always fighting for every dollar we can generate to keep the lights on to continue producing this newspaper and website, the reality is we only exist because of you, our readers...and also our aforemen-

tioned advertisers.

And so the message of this short Publisher's Perspective is something like "We're all in this together." When you read about a cool happening in The Independent, then tell someone else about it or attend it; that helps us. It helps us even more if you let the event organizers know that you read about their event or were even just reminded of it in The Independent. And the same for our advertisers. The thing you can do as a reader that helps us the most is for you to patronize the businesses that advertise with us. If you visit one of our advertisers' businesses because you saw their ad, please tell them! And even if you're a regular customer

and you support our mission to deliver the best in local arts and entertainment coverage and visitor info for the Zion area, please let those businesses know that you appreciate their support of The Independent.

And as a founder and Publisher of this paper and website, I'd like to personally thank you for reading The Independent, whether in print or online. Your feedback is always welcome, as we continue our journey, in our 28th year, as a voice for all of you. Feel free to contact me at ipc@infwest.com or on Facebook. And if you've got a local business that you'd like to get in front of our large and loyal audiences, please email me or call me at 435-632-1555. Happy Spring!



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EVENTS

KAYENTA EMBRACES THE FESTIVAL OF THE AMERICAS

Celebrating the native cultures of the Americas through music, dance, fine art, and crafts.

The Kayenta Arts Foundation (KAF) is honored to present this amazing Festival May 19, 20, and 21, 2023. The Festival is a FREE, family-friendly, multicultural outdoor event produced by the Kayenta Arts Foundation featuring various cultural arts



and customs.

Attendees will enjoy live music and traditional performances, such as Native American dancing, drumming, and flute. Native artisan booths will be full of paintings, pottery, fine art, and more! Much of this year's Festival will focus on Native American art and culture and takes place in the outdoor setting of the Kayenta Art Village and Center for the Arts at Kayenta. The area is the ancestral home of the Paiute Indians and showcases the stunning natural beauty of Kayenta. The earliest habitation of Native Americans in Utah dates back 10,000 to 12,000 years. Visitors will have an opportunity to expand their understanding of Native American cultures and customs.

Festival hours are Friday and Saturday, 10 AM - 5 PM, and Sunday, 10 AM - 3 PM. Two special ticketed events will be held in the Center for the Arts at

Kayenta building: an Opening Ceremony (Friday night) and D'DAT Trio Jazz Band (Saturday night).

The Opening Ceremony will be Friday, May 19th, at 7:30 PM. This ticketed evening celebration will include history and background information about local tribes, the Pow Wow and its restoration, the announcement of the Tribal Festival Queen and Princess, tribal youth dances, and flute and hand drums performances. Tickets are \$10 and available online.

D'DAT Trio Saturday Evening Concert: May 20th features a special ticketed concert by D'DAT Trio Jazz band at 7:30 PM. D'DAT Trio has been described as "Poetic, Complex, Forward Thinking, and Outside the Box." D'DAT Trio has carved its own path with high-desert-forged influences and world-class musicianship. Tickets are available online; \$30 for adults and \$10 for students.

Rob Goodman, President of the Kayenta Arts Foundation Board of Directors, explained, "The Festival of the Americas promotes collaboration between diverse cultural groups in the region. We plan on more than forty artisans to present their work and engage with visitors about the connection of their own work to their cultural heritage. In addition, the Festival will create a celebratory community hub to understand and appreciate the history and cultural fabric of our shared American story and the land we live on."

Goodman further stated, "Kayenta Arts Foundation is committed to offering visitors and residents of all ages an outdoor arts festival program that provides an educational and uplifting experience for people of all ages. This event will draw together distinct tribal communities for the greater good of preserving and sharing these native cultures with local residents and visitors to the region."

Promoting secondary education for Native American students will create lifelong success for their families and communities. The Festival of the Americas celebrates the depth and richness of Native American cultures while raising money to support Native American scholarships in Utah. In 2022 the Kayenta Arts Foundation raised \$10,000 in scholarships through the Festival of the Americas. These scholarships were awarded to the Shivwits Band Paiute Tribe of Utah. KAF hopes to increase the amount raised from the upcoming Festival.

www.kayentaarts.com/festival-of-the-americas/

Come, be a part of the art at the Center for the Arts at Kayenta.

THE HISTORIC BUCKSKIN TAVERN IN FREDONIA REOPENS

Known for hosting the longest bar in Arizona, the famous Buckskin Tavern reopened last month on April 22nd.

It was a humble beginning. Built in 1934 by Milt Cram, the Buckskin Tavern served local ranch hands and cowboys; and an adventure was in the making when Little Hollywood started making movies in the area. Sitting on the Utah/Arizona border, it also made for easy access to the spirits for folks in Utah where prohibition style laws were still in place at the time.

Over the years it became a favorite watering hole for locals and visitors spending time in town. From here, the Tavern grew slowly but surely, adding a dance hall, stage for musicians, and additional areas for seating.

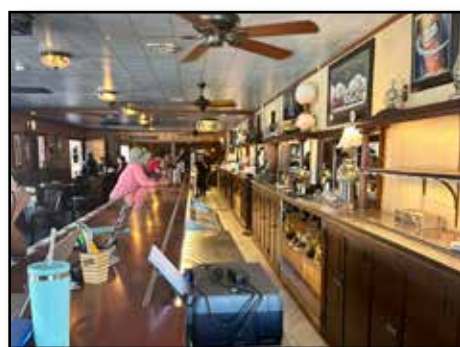


With the onset of COVID and the shut-downs, getting things back up and running has taken a bit of tenacity and sheer will-power. Now, the new owners, Lianne and Chris Kelly are on track to bring Buckskin completely back to life!

"I've always wanted to have a tap house, it's a dream come true." Said Lianne, commenting on their vision. "I asked what the community needed, and a gathering place is what people seemed to want the most. You don't have to drink to come here. We want people to come here and feel comfortable and have fun. Somewhere to go."

As with time and changes, the Buckskin has some changes and additions they believe will bring an even greater slice of the community together.

As they gear up for full service with additions such as their coffee bar, full



kitchen, and packaged liquor, you can now enjoy food, spirits, and open mic's during operating hours with tasty eats being provided by local food truck vendors until the kitchen upgrades are complete.

Their current hours of operation are:

- Thursday 3-9 PM
- Friday 3-11 PM
- Saturday Noon to 11 PM
- Sunday Noon to 9 PM
- Monday 3-9 PM
- Closed on Tuesday & Wednesday

One of their goals is to have live music on Saturday evenings, with local singers and guitar players while enjoying some good ol' tavern food to make sure you're not starving when you're dancing and shooting pool.

The Buckskin Tavern is located at 2321 N Main in Fredonia, Arizona. You can visit www.thebuckskintavern.com or call 928-643-7094 for more information and updates.

CATCH A WAVE & PAPERBACK WRITER AT THE ELECTRIC THEATER

Put June 10, 2023, on your calendar today!

Fun, Sun, and Surf sets the backdrop for this recreation of the 1960's Beach Boys with "Catch A Wave" featuring vocal harmony beyond belief! Authentic detail right down to the white instruments, vintage Fender blond amplifiers for that "spot on" unique California harmonic surf-pop sound so recognizable worldwide. From Los Angeles, California, this act was personally selected to perform for Brian Wilson, The Beach Boys, their families, and friends for the California Beach Boys state landmark dedication in 2005. This is one not to miss, currently headlining Disneyland, Disney Cruise Lines, and theaters across the United States. Special matinee Saturday, June 10, 2023. Visit www.catchawaveshow.com and click schedule, find the date, and purchase: all seats general admission, no refunds.

Saturday evening GHEM and the Electric Theater present the true, "ultimate" Disneyland Beatles show with Paperback Writer - The Beatles Experience. Featured at Disneyland, Disney Cruise Lines, four major cruise lines, theaters, and casinos worldwide, Paperback Writer from Los Angeles,



California, has taken their show to 33 countries and over 29 states to standing ovations audiences worldwide. The "go to" Beatles show for Disney and Hard Rock Resorts; this show is second to none! Hear the hits



from the Ed Sullivan Show through the colorful Sgt. Pepper's years and on to the rooftops of Let It Be, performed with "spot on" vocal, look, and sound alike ability. Beatles 1964/65 Hollywood Bowl producer celebrity Bob Eubanks (Newlywed Game) personally endorses this show saying; is nothing less than "Sensational!"

Paperback Writer received national critic acclaim. "Paperback Writer is guaranteed to bring audiences the most precise experience of The Beatles as humanly possible" - Disney Entertainment. "Heads above the Beatles shows I've heard!" - Eagle Press Cleveland, Ohio. "Sensational show for all ages" Arizona Daily Star "Remarkably authentic! Amazing vocals!" - Bloomingdale (Chicago) Times Don't miss the Paperback Writer Show, a true Beatles Experience". A good time will be had by all! Saturday evening performance June 10, 2023. For tickets, visit www.paperbackwritersite.com, click schedule, and go to the date of June 10, 2023. All seats are general admission, with no refunds.

We'll see you at the Electric Theater!

HAL CANNON AND TERESA JORDAN: LESSONS FROM RED ROCK - JUNE 1 IN SPRINGDALE

Thursday, June 1, 2023, 7 PM-8:30 PM

The pandemic upended us all. Join musician and folklorist Hal Cannon and writer and artist Teresa Jordan as they talk about the lockdown and how other disruptions have shaped their creative lives.



Teresa Jordan - graduated from college in the agricultural crisis of the 1970's, just as her family lost the Wyoming ranch that had been their home for almost a century. This was her first experience with how disruption can spur new growth, and she set off to drive nearly 60,000 miles across the West, interviewing women on ranches and in the rodeo. This project resulted in her first book, and there have been eight more since, including Riding the White Horse Home: A Western Family Album and The Year of Living Virtuously: Weekends Off. Her path has been as mercurial as the Virgin River. She returned to college in her 50s to earn a degree in fine art. During the pandemic, she sustained herself by painting a bird every day and she also began training as a hospital chaplain.

Join us at the Canyon Community Center located at 126 Lion Blvd. in

Zion Canyon was formed by cataclysm: volcanic eruption, earthquake, flood, and slower forces that hoisted and tilted the earth's crust. This beauty we love is a dynamic landscape, always changing. And disturbance can be a creative force for individuals as well.

Hal Cannon - came to work at Zion Lodge fresh out of high school, confused and looking for his path. Ever since, he has returned to listen for echoes off canyon walls, searching for wisdom and peace. In 1977, he started The Southern Utah Folklife Festival. As part of Phillip Bimstein's group Red Rock Rondo, he helped create the Zion Canyon Song Cycle and then produced a documentary of the work that won two Emmys. After he moved to Virgin in 2011 with his wife Teresa, he joined forces with Greg Istock and Eli Wrangle to form 3hat-trio and invent a new genre that they call American Desert Music. Now he is looking back with fresh eyes on a landscape that seems more miraculous than ever.



Springdale, UT on June 1st for an amazing conversation centered on perseverance and courage. Admission is free and all are welcome!

Visit zioncanyonmesa.org to learn more about Zion Canyon Mesa.

EVENTS

MR. OK & THE LAST LIGHT MEMORIAL DAY ZION TOUR

May 26th – 29th, 2023

Mr. OK & The Last Light bring their unique blend of Reggae, Rock, and Hip Hop to the Zion area over Memorial Day Weekend to perform their debut EP, along with other originals and select groove covers.

“Music Is The Medicine EP” Southern Utah-based looping artist known by the alias Mr. OK displays the perfect example of what it means to collabo-

rate with other artists to produce something magical. It all started when Charlie OGrady-Kessner decided it was time to stop keeping his music to himself. With a goal of expanding upon a few original reggae tracks that he wrote for looping performance, he made an effort to find and collaborate with a group of musicians to see how these songs could evolve to fit in a live band.

By the end of 2021, 6 other artists eventually joined to create a small project called Mr. OK & The Last Light, which has carved a space in the local scene for people who like to dance. In 2022, they performed extensively in Southern Utah and are excited to expand their horizons in 2023. They’ve already made it up to Salt Lake City in January and down to Dunedin, Florida, in February, where they played a run of shows and headlined the Blur Stage at the Dundedin Merchant’s Association Mardi Gras Festival.

“Music is the Medicine” perfectly executes the powerful combination of classic and modern reggae, giving listeners a soulful and embodied experience. This dynamic EP is an example of when stunning vocals combine with thoughtful lyrics, uplifting instrumental breakouts, and a deep well of



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energy – in sum; it is a collection of songs that are bound to inevitably spread joy and feeling as they encourage the listener to move their body.

Show dates and locations:

May 26 - Zion Brew Pub in Springdale, UT, from 4 PM-7 PM - Free Show at Restaurant, Full Bar Section 21+ Available

May 27 - Flanigan’s Inn in Springdale, UT, from 7 PM-9 PM - Free Show on South Lawn, Full Bar Section 21+ Available

May 28 - Zion Wildflower in Virgin, UT, from 7 PM-9 PM - Free Show on the Lawn

May 29 - Boat Show on Quail Reservoir, Powered by Dig Paddle Sports in Hurricane, UT, from 7 PM-9 PM - \$15/person, limited supply available.

Visit www.digpaddlesports.com/pages/concerts-on-the-water for more information.

EXPERIENCE THE BUMBLEBERRY THEATER IN SPRINGDALE, UTAH

So, why the Bumbleberry Theater?

Performers love to perform, and audiences love to be entertained. Everyone has a dream, and Stan Smith has always wanted a place where performers and audiences could meet and share in something great.

“When you attend a great performance, you leave uplifted. Both the performer and the audiences leave the better,” said Stan of his establishment. “With the Bumbleberry Theater, I intend to provide a place where performers can come and show their craft, and people can go and enjoy those performances—bringing them both together has been one of my greatest joys.”



With music, movies, shows, comedy, and a variety of other entertainment, there should always be something to enjoy at the theater. With the music, you might hear country one night, jazz another, and reggae still on a different night. It’s a place you can come, sit back, relax, and be entertained, leaving cares behind for a while. That’s why the Bumbleberry Theater.

And while you can find something happening all year round at the Bumbleberry Theater, May is sure to be an exciting month as they kick off a full schedule of things to enjoy!

Musical Mayhem is produced by Cole Sherratt and will host events every Saturday starting on May 6 at the Bumbleberry Theater.

May 6, 6-9 PM – Showcasing Josh Larsen with a free concert. Josh is a singer-songwriter from southern Utah who loves creating music people can connect with. Josh began performing as a young boy. As a teenager, he taught himself to play guitar, and the practice quickly became a passion.

May 13, 2-4:30 – DJ workshop. Forget everything you think you know about DJ’ing. KnowleDJ (pronounced Knowledge) doesn’t headline parties – he SMASHES them. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$5 for kids - Learn to DJ with KnowleDJ, as seen on Backstreet Boys 2022 tour and others.

May 13, 7 PM – The excitement continues with a dance/concert with KnowleDJ \$10/person.

May 20, 1 PM – Vegas Lights is a cel-

ebration of the music by The Police and Genesis featuring Kevon Tyrre and Cole Sherratt. Kevon Tyrre moved from New York City to Las Vegas in 1987, he began his love for music at 15, and by 17, he was in the High School Choir. Since then, he has been performing for audiences worldwide. Cole Sherratt is a Pop, Rock, and R&B musician, entertainer, show producer, songwriter, and vocalist based in Las Vegas. He’s been featured on HBO, NBC Sing Off Live Tour, can routinely be seen at MGM and Caesars Casino Properties and has toured internationally with Disney, Norwegian Cruise Lines, Spirit Productions, and AMResorts. Tickets \$35

May 20, 7 PM – Nashville Nights featuring Mikalene Ipson and Cole Sherratt. Tickets \$35

May 27, 1 PM & 7 PM – Vegas Lights is a celebration of the music by The Police and Genesis featuring Kevon Tyrre and Cole Sherratt. Tickets \$35

Friday nights from 7 to 9 PM are also filled with great entertainment, free for the whole family to enjoy.

May 19, come see Greg Istock, singer, songwriter, and percussionist, play an organic mix of roots music, rhythm, and blues; with a little jazz for flavor.

May 26, It’s Acoustic Adventure. Acoustic Adventure has performed in Utah and northern Arizona for almost two years. With Shawn and Nelly on guitar and vocals, they play a wide range of music, from Over The Rainbow by Judy Garland to Nothing Else Matters by Metallica.

June 2, Eli Shay (Eli Sabaitis) – Piano-Based Americana and Vocals, Classic Covers, True Originals.

We’ll see you at the Bumbleberry! Visit bumbleberry.com/theater for tickets and info.

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- 10:00 AM -UNTIL DARK FOOD VENDORS, CRAFT VENDORS, INFLATABLES, AND MORE.
- 3:00PM EGG DROP AT BASEBALL FIELD
- 6:30-10PM LIVE MUSIC ALONG MAIN AND CENTER IN DOWNTOWN AND FEATURING "CENTER & MAIN",

SUNDAY

- 6:30 AM MASS ASCENSION OF 36 HOT AIR BALLOONS!! EAT LOCAL & ENJOY THE FINE SCENIC VIEWS OF HISTORIC PANGUITCH.

SATURDAY

- 6:30 AM MASS ASCENSION OF 36 HOT AIR BALLOONS!! EAT LOCAL & ENJOY THE FINE SCENIC VIEWS OF HISTORIC PANGUITCH.
- 7:00 AM PHX 5K @PANGUITCH HIGH SCHOOL (390 E. 100 S.)
- 10:30 AM BIKER PARADE ALONG MAIN AND CENTER STREET. ALL MOTORCYCLISTS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE! MEET @ 400 North.
- 10:00 AM-UNTIL DARK FOOD VENDORS, CRAFT VENDORS, INFLATABLES, AND MORE.
- 1:00-3:00 PM BALLOON RALLY BINGO \$1 CARDS @ SOCIAL HALL(65 E. CENTER ST)
- 7:30-10PM HOT AIR BALLOON GLOW ALONG MAIN AND CENTER IN DOWNTOWN AND FEATURING LIVE MUSIC BY "CENTER & MAIN", "APOLLO'S ARMY", AND "MOST WANTED"

EVENTS

ARTISTS AND VENDORS; THE CANYONS ARE CALLING YOU

The Escalante Canyons Art Festival is celebrating its 19th year and is ramping up for their 2023 season while recruiting new talent.

Come celebrate the stunning public lands of Utah's canyon country. Hosted in Escalante, Utah along Scenic Byway 12 between Bryce Canyon and Capitol Reef National Parks, in the heart of Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. Plein air and studio competitions, art exhibits, on-site sales, workshops, demonstrations, arts and crafts fair, live music, guided walks,

and much more.

The event has grown from its inception featuring local artisans, to include artists from around the country and overseas. Organizers are always eager to meet more creative geniuses!

Early enrollment begins in April for the Plein Air and Studio work with a deadline of September 18. Other special competitions include Nocturne, Miniatures, Quick Draw, Paint-Out, along with a junior category.

New for 2023, artists are invited to reg-

ister to submit studio work in the competition and miniatures to be sold for a fundraiser. Recognition varies in each category. In total more than \$11,000 will be awarded in prize money.

Whether rendering a three-hour finished entry in the park, a 24-hour piece within city limits, or a nocturnal under a star-studded sky, plein air or studio, miniature or larger, any media can be used, and multiple pieces can be stamped for competition. The variety is endless and inspiring.



From the arid desert canyons to the snow-capped peaks of Boulder Mountain and Griffin top, each scene evokes a different interpretation, enriched by the southern Utah palette. We invite you to answer the call to be inspired in southern Utah at the Escalante Canyons Art Festival September 15-24, 2023.

Visit www.escalantecanyonsartfestival.org and click on 'Artist Registration' for more detailed information.

Vendors - The Escalante Canyons Art Festival also provides a great opportunity for artisans to showcase their skills and display original, handcrafted wares for sale. Paintings, jewelry, clothing, scarves, wood carvings, leatherwork, furniture, photography, etc., are some of the many festival offerings along with food and beverages.

Items sold by vendors should be made by the hand of the artist or relate to the theme of the festival.

Early Registration Ends June 30. Visit www.escalantecanyonsartfestival.org and click on Vendor Registration.

We'll see you at the Escalante Canyons Art Festival - September 15-24, 2023.

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EVENTS

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Utah Tech – Entertainment Alliance’s Presents “Footloose: The Musical” May 19th, Through June 3rd.

“Footloose: The Musical” is set to take the stage at the O.C. Tanner Amphitheater in Zion Canyon, May 19th through June 3rd. Utah Tech Entertainment Alliance invites you to this thrilling production located just outside the entrance to Zion National Park.

ing has been outlawed. As Ren falls in love with the town reverend’s daughter, he challenges the ban on dancing and inspires the community to let loose and enjoy life.

The show features all of the classic hits from the original film, including “Footloose,” “Let’s Hear It for the Boy,” and “Holding Out for a Hero,” as well as several new songs written specifically for the musical adaptation. With high-energy dance numbers, catchy tunes, and a heartwarming story, “Footloose” will surely be a crowd-pleaser.

“We are thrilled to be bringing Footloose: The Musical to the O.C. Tanner Amphitheater,” shared Geoff Reynolds, Utah Tech Entertainment Alliance director. “This is a show that has something for everyone, and we know that audiences will love it. Zion’s setting is breathtaking, and we can’t wait to share this experience with theater-goers from all over.”

Tickets for “Footloose: The Musical” range from \$15-25 and are available



Based on the hit 1984 movie of the same name, “Footloose” tells the story of Ren McCormack, a teenage boy from Chicago who moves to a small town where danc-

through the Utah Tech Box Office www.utahtech.edu/ticket-office/. Don’t miss your chance to cut loose and to kick off those Sunday shoes!

LAKE POWELL WATER LEVELS IMPROVING FOR 2023 BOATING SEASON

GLEN CANYON NATIONAL RECREATION AREA, Arizona/Utah - Glen Canyon National Recreation Area is pleased to announce that due to a high snowpack, a higher spring runoff is expected to affect Lake Powell water levels for the 2023 boating season. Lake Powell’s water levels are managed by the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR). Based on current BOR projections for higher water levels over the next several months, Lake Powell has a greater than 90% chance for above average water levels this year.

Water access points and boat launch areas managed by the National Park Service on Lake Powell will be affected.

The following Lake Powell launch ramps are open:

- South Lake Powell, (located near Page, Ariz.):
 - Stateline Auxiliary Ramp is open to all motorized vessels and no paddlecraft.
 - Wahweap Main Ramp: Beginning May 1, Wahweap Main is the only designated access point at Wahweap for paddlecraft.
 - Antelope Point Public Launch Ramp is available for paddlecraft only.
 - North Lake Powell, (Bullfrog and Halls Crossing, UT): Bullfrog North Ramp is open to small, motorized watercraft and is closed on the north side of the ramp.
 - Halls Crossing Public Ramp is open to paddlecraft only.

As Lake Powell’s water levels rise, the park plans to reopen the following launch ramps when the estimated lake elevations are reached (all elevations are feet, above sea level):

South Lake Powell, (located near Page, Ariz.)

- Antelope Point Marina Business Ramp – all vessels ~ 3540’
 - Wahweap Main – all motorized vessels ~ 3546’
 - Stateline – all non-motorized vessels ~ 3564’
 - Antelope Point Public – all non-motorized vessels ~ 3588’
- North Lake Powell, (Bullfrog and Halls Crossing, UT)
- Bullfrog North Ramp – to include larger vessels and houseboats ~ 3529’
 - Bullfrog Spur – all vessels up to 25ft ~ 3540’
 - Halls Crossing Public – use at your own risk ~ 3556’
 - Bullfrog Main – all vessels ~ 3578’

Please be aware that due to many dynamic factors affecting Lake Powell’s water elevations, it is not possible to know when a specific water level will be reached. The park is monitoring changing water levels and when conditions allow will adjust visitor services. Please be sure to check the park’s Changing Lake Levels webpage for the status of lake levels and all Lake Powell boat ramps, prior to heading to the lake.

Visitors to Bullfrog and Halls Crossing, Utah are advised that the Utah Department of Transportation will not reopen the Charles Hall Ferry in 2023. Drivers will need to use Utah State Routes 276 and 95 instead of the ferry.

To prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species, all boats departing Lake Powell require an inspection.

The park wishes everyone an enjoyable and safe boating experience in 2023!

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OUTDOORS

MUSTANG PASS LOOP TRAIL
By Tom Garrison

Location: Red Cliffs Desert Reserve in Washington, Utah

Difficulty: Moderately strenuous due to Mustang Pass being mostly a rocky trail with a serious elevation gain as you reach the pass and a couple of long up-and-down sections on Middleton Powerline Trail/Road.

Average Hiking Time: About 2 1/2 to 3 hours at a leisurely pace with many photo stops.

Elevation: 3,070 feet trailhead elevation with a 300 feet elevation change to the highest point. There is a fair amount of up and down elevation change, especially on Middleton Powerline Trail/Road.

Family Friendly: Watch your step on the rocky sections of the trail. It may be a bit strenuous for younger children.

Getting There: Drive north on Main Street in Washington City and cross under Interstate 15. Immediately after crossing under the Interstate is a four-way



stop, with Buena Vista Boulevard being the cross street. Continue north on Main Street, and at 1/2 mile from the intersection, there is another intersection with Washington Parkway. Turn left (west) onto the Parkway, and after 1.1 miles, turn right (north) onto Fairway Drive. Continue north on Fairway Drive to the end, .1 mile, then turn left (west) on Scenario Street. Go west on Scenario Street for about .2 miles. The street then turns left (south) and becomes Vacanza Street. Just at the turn, and on your left is a small paved parking lot—big enough for five cars. There is another, somewhat larger, parking lot about 50 yards down Vacanza Street, where it intersects Tramonto Street.

Along the back side of the parking area is a paved walkway. Go north on the walkway across the street and between two houses. A fence and a stepover onto the trail are at the back of the houses. There is also a large Red Cliffs Desert Reserve trailhead sign. This is the trailhead for Ice House Trail and Mustang Pass Trail.

Need some alone time and a decent workout? If yes, this loop hike is for you. Mustang Pass Trail connecting to Mill Creek Trail/Road and Middleton Powerline Trail/Road, is a moderately strenuous 5.3-mile loop trail. We saw several other hikers along the first section getting to Mustang Pass. Once beyond Mustang Pass, we saw no one until the end of Middleton Powerline Trail/Road. We enjoyed great views of snow-covered Signal Peak in the Pine Valley Mountains, many red sandstone mountains and hills, hundreds of volcanic rocks, and many lizards.

I'm recovering from a total hip replacement about ten weeks ago, and my wife Deb

and I decided a mid-April hike would be a good test of my new equipment. It worked fine. And the trailhead is only a couple of miles from our home.

The Red Cliffs Desert Reserve was established in 1996 to protect a large and diverse habitat capable of sustaining wild-life populations threatened by development and habitat loss. It comprises 62,000 acres and has over 130 miles of shared-use trails for hiking, horseback riding, and mountain biking. Three ecosystems—the Mojave Desert, the Great Basin Desert, and the Colorado Plateau—merge in southwestern Utah, and the Reserve reflects the biological diversity of this unique region.

Washington County administers the Red Cliffs Desert Reserve Habitat Conservation Plan in coordination with the Bureau of Land Management, the US Fish and Wildlife Service, the Utah Department of Natural Resources, and the Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration.

The trailhead has an elevation of 3,070 feet. The temperature was in the high-50s, with a hazy blue sky for our mid-April hike.

We headed north on Ice House/Mustang Pass Trail, and at .4 mile, the trail forked. The left fork continues as Ice House Trail; the right was our choice—Mustang Pass Trail. Soon, within .1 mile, we came to and crossed the signed Middleton Powerline Trail/Road and continued north.

The first section of Mustang Pass Trail, up to the pass, is almost all rocky and slightly uphill. About a mile from the trailhead, we stopped to admire the views and examined the shallow valley to the north leading to the pass we would soon enter.

The valley was peppered with volcanic rocks and became quite steep the last 100 yards or so to the top of the pass, about 1.5 miles from the trailhead. Many hikers stop at the top of the pass and head back to the trailhead for a three-mile out-and-back hike. Not us; we are doing the entire loop hike.

Just beyond the pass is a large desert meadow, with lots of small plants in bloom with tiny blue flowers. Here the trail is a little less rocky and serpentine across the large, relatively flat area. This portion of the hike had the best views of snow-covered Signal Peak in the Pine Valley Mountains and many other closer and smaller red sandstone mountains. Soon we came to long switchbacks heading downhill toward Mill Creek. Around here, where the trail starts downhill, are three monolithic lava rocks—two close together on the left side of the trail and one on the right. I got a great photo of Deb in front of the right side monolith with red mountains in the background.

We crossed dry Mill Creek and came to the signed junction with Mill Creek Trail/Road, 3.4 miles from the trailhead. We went right at the junction and headed southwest along sandy Mill Creek Trail/Road.

Finally, 3.7 miles from the trailhead, we reached the signed junction with Middleton Powerline Trail/Road. We turned right and headed southwest. Now it is an easy walk back to the trailhead. Nope. This portion of the hike is sandy and traverses two major ridges with some pretty steep up-and-down hiking.

After another mile from the Mill Creek Trail intersection, we turned left (south) onto Ice House/Mustang Pass Trail back to the trailhead.

The round-trip distance along this well-marked loop trail is 5.3 miles. While there are relatively flat sections, much of the trail involves ascents or descents. We completed the trip in a little less than three hours at a leisurely pace, including many photo stops. I recommend this close-by adventure combining natural desert beauty with solitude.

MOVIES

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

THE INDEPENDENT MOVIE REVIEW
By Adam Mast

EVIL DEAD RISE (R)
★★★★

More akin to the vicious nature of the 2013 film than the Sam Raimi films that inspired it, and that's perfectly fine.

If you're waiting for a goofy but charismatic Ash (played by the undeniably handsome and forever lovable Bruce Campbell) to show up and save the day in "Evil Dead Rise," then you might want to think twice about going to see it. While this new take on Sam Raimi's sacred text has elements of the familiar, this is sort of its own thing: A lean, mean, and often brutal slice of deadite-centric horror that, quite frankly, doesn't F around!

In "Evil Dead Rise," the bloody action shifts from a cabin in the woods to a grimy, rundown multi-level apartment building in Los Angeles. Following an opening lakeside bit of nastiness and a fantastic mood-setting title sequence, we're introduced to twenty-something Beth (played by Lily Sullivan) as she heads to L.A. to visit her estranged sister Ellie (played by Alyssa Sutherland) and her three children (played by Gabrielle Echols, Morgan Davies, and Nell Fisher) after an unexpected discovery sends her life into a bit of an emotional tailspin. Upon arrival, it's clear that Beth and Ellie have their differences, but those differences become but an immediate afterthought when Ellie's son Danny (Davies) discovers an ancient book of the dead and inadvertently unleashes an evil presence in



their apartment complex by way of mysterious words spoken, via an old record.

Ellie is the first to be taken over by the malevolent force and it isn't long before the evil inside her all but forces her to wreak havoc on those she's supposed to love most. Adding to the horror of the entire situation is the revelation that Beth and her young relatives are trapped in this dingy building and there doesn't appear to be a way out. Yes...In the proud tradition of the "Evil Dead" movies that came before it, the main characters at the center of the blood-soaked carnage must fight to stay alive over the course of a night in an isolated locale.

"Evil Dead Rise" was helmed by "The Hole in the Ground" director Lee Cronin which is actually pretty fitting given that the Book of the Dead, as displayed in this movie, is literally found in a hole in the ground. Go figure! Cronin appears to be the right man for the job, too. True...This movie does take a little while to get going, but once the shit hits the proverbial fan, the carnage doesn't let up. Gone is the sort of "Three Stooges" spirit of "Evil Dead II:

Dead By Dawn," and in its place is something far more vicious.

It should also be noted that while there are callbacks to past films in the series here (iconic lines of dialogue, music cues, a chainsaw, etc.), Cronin does forge a path of his own. Throughout this intense, ultra-gory battle for survival, this writer/director finds time to weave in elements of family dysfunction as well as an often sick and twisted ode to motherhood. Not only in terms of Ellie's horrific possession (Sutherland's performance here is both wicked and terrifying) but in terms of the maternal instinct that slowly begins to take hold of Beth. There are parts of this movie that have a bit of an "Aliens"-esque Ripley/Newt ring to them. Not as deep, mind you, but it's still there at the surface. It's also obvious that while Cronin is clearly a fan of "Evil Dead" directors Raimi and Alvarez, he's also quite the fan of John Carpenter (there are moments here that recall "The Thing," "Prince of Darkness," and "In the Mouth of Madness") and David Cronenberg (there's a body horror element in this picture that brought to mind movies like "The Brood" and "Videodrome.")

Playing into the purest aspect of horror, "Evil Dead Rise" is a movie in which no one is safe, and I really liked that about it. Sure, I wish it had a tad more joy and humor to offer. Such attributes can actually benefit even the most extreme of horror scenarios when executed properly. Look no further than the underrated Shudder gem, "Deadstream"—A wonderful effort from Joseph and Vanessa Winter that was certainly influenced in part by "Evil Dead II." Of course, Cronin's picture is a completely different animal, and that's all by design. This is one of those intense and often brutal horror films in which something awful might happen to any character at any given moment, and that really does ratchet up the tension, particularly in a bonkers final act. This is also a crowd-pleaser of a movie that's pretty damn creative in the gore department. I don't think I've ever seen a horror film in which a cheese grater was used to maim a potential victim, so kudos to Cronin and crew for that one.

Is "Evil Dead Rise" part of the same universe Raimi brought to the screen over four decades ago? Let the debate rage on. As for where this one ranks in the series overall, I quite liked it. Raimi's original three will always hold a special place in my heart; therefore, they will always reign supreme in my mind, but I still think there's plenty of room for the entries that Alvarez and Cronin have delivered upon the horror world. And if the ending of "Evil Dead Rise" is any indication, we haven't seen the last of the deadites. It's clear they'll be back to swallow more souls. Let's just hope it doesn't take another decade to see that happen because ten years is way too long to wait.

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OPINION

WRITER'S BLOCK AND OTHER CHALLENGES
By Lisa Rutherford



For a couple of weeks, I've been unable to focus and produce an opinion piece. There have been too many forces pulling me. Should I write again about Clean the Darn Air, an initiative effort on which I've been spending much time and energy every Saturday at Vernon Worthen Park near the St. George Farmers Market collecting signatures? Should I write about the recent mass shooting in a Nashville school and my despair over this nation's rampant gun-violence? Should I write about the Silicon Valley Bank failure and the fed's bailing out those who have more money than all who are reading this opinion piece combined, or about that the bank should have known they'd stocked up on too much low-interest, long-term debt in an environment when interest rates could only go higher? Should I write about my conflicted feelings about Donald Trump's indictment and whether that is a good or bad thing for this nation? Sometimes it's just too overwhelming for my little mind to manage.

So, given that writing about any but one of these issues will have no effect on the ultimate scheme of things — not to say I haven't written about such things in the past and may in the future — I'm turning again to the Clean the Darn Air initiative in hopes that at least with that I have a shot at doing something productive. I'm turning to it because it's important and because my recent experience while gathering signatures to get the initiative on the 2024 ballot has been enlightening.

For the past month, I've spent hours at Vernon Worthen Park meeting people and attempting to get their signatures on the petition. I am not naturally an outgoing and gregarious person, but this issue has inspired me to put on my big-girl pants and get with it.

I've learned during these times of approaching people I don't know that I must just take a deep breath and start by asking, "Are you a Utah voter and are you interested in helping to keep our beautiful area's air quality clean while we grow to half a mil-

lion people in the next 30-35 years? We're already near 200,000 and don't want air like Salt Lake City has." Many people just ignore me or say, "No, the air's fine," or something to that effect. But then there are those who stop and are willing to talk about it and learn about the initiative.

And, the people who are interested and who sign the petition comprise a mixed bag. Many young people with kids are immediately interested and agreeable, but others with kids couldn't care less. I'm not sure what they're thinking, but it doesn't seem they're really considering the kids' futures very well. There are older people, like me, who won't even be here in 30-35 years who want to be proactive and at least try to leave the place better for others. But there are plenty of oldsters who don't care what the future air quality may hold. It's rather like the saying my mother had, "Pull up the ladder, Jack. I've got mine!"

Admittedly, there's some confusion about the grocery store food tax issue that the initiative deals with because the Utah House of Representative recently passed HB54 which would remove the grocery store food tax, too. But, HB54 is linked directly to Senate Joint Resolution 10 (SJR10), which will be on the 2024 ballot. If approved, SJR10 would amend Utah's constitution and severely weaken school funding. Basically, in that situation, voters are being asked to choose between saving money at the store but reducing funding for children's education. Not a fair choice in my opinion.

The Clean the Darn Air initiative, on the other hand — a more balanced approach — would also eliminate the state tax on grocery store food but would not affect education money. Rather, the food tax would be replaced with a tax on carbon. So, it's not a new tax, just a tax shift. It would provide \$100 million a year in clean air programs through this modest carbon tax. It would also expand the state's Earned Income Tax Credit match for low-income working families many of whom would be the most effected by pollution.

Being proactive is not something at which humans excel. Rather, we have been conditioned throughout the course of our existence to be more inclined to seek immediate gratification, and this consumer-oriented society in which we live provides plenty of opportunity for that. Although this initiative will not provide immediate gratification when it comes to solving our pollution problems, current and future, it will provide some immediate gratification at the grocery store by lessening that tax burden.

If we can get people to think a bit more about how they use carbon in their lives, perhaps they'll be able to save there, too — more immediate gratification!

Please go to <https://www.cleantthedarnair.org/> to learn more about this important issue as we deal with growth in our county and state. And, please look for those of us who are gathering signatures. We could really use your help!

READY FOR A WINTER OLYMPICS REPRIS?

By Howard Sierer



overcomes them.

My taste in sports television is transformed every two years when the Summer and Winter Olympic Games feature sports I don't watch or even follow otherwise.

I have a strong preference for those Olympic sports that are scored objectively, where winners have the fastest times or score the most points. I can watch hours of Alpine and cross-country skiing, bobsled and luge runs, speed skating, and — believe it or not — even curling. My all-time favorite: men's and women's Alpine downhill races with their 70-80 mile per hour speeds.

I'm not much interested in sports where subjective judging determines winners: figure skating, half-pipe snowboarding, aerials, and the like.

I'll binge-watch the 2026 Winter Olympic Games planned for Milano-Cortina, Italy. In the meantime, I'll be cheering for Salt Lake City's bid for the 2030 or 2034, or 2038 Games. Why the uncertainty about which year? Read on.

Salt Lake City staged the 2002 Games in spite of what the International Olympic Committee called "a set of unique and challenging circumstances, including terrorist attacks on 11 September 2001, an economic recession, and a crisis related to the Olympic host election process, which led to a major reform of the process."

The IOC's "major reform" was instituted following a scandal in which the Salt Lake Organizing Committee was accused of lavishing gifts on members of the IOC. Several IOC committee members resigned, as did the SLOC's leaders. Mitt Romney took the SLOC helm and put together a team that turned the scandal into success.

Salt Lake's 2002 Olympic Winter Games received lavish praise from the International Olympic Committee. The committee said the Games "were delivered successfully and served as a springboard for growing winter sport and bringing more major sporting events to the state of Utah."

The committee noted that the Games allowed Utah to establish itself as one of the world's premier high-performance and

recreational winter sports destinations. Since hosting the 2002 Games, our state has staged more than 175 international winter sports events, including more than 60 World Cup events, as well as seven world championships.

The State of Utah estimated that the 2002 Games resulted in a \$5 billion boost for the state. State and local government tax revenue was \$76 million above expenses for the 1996-2003 time period and generated 45,700 job-years of employment with \$3 billion in personal income.

Hosting subsequent sporting events brought an additional \$2 billion into our economy, with an overall 72% increase in skier visits between 2002 and 2019.

The Utah Olympic Legacy Foundation continues to maintain three Olympic venues open to the public: the Utah Olympic Oval ice skating rink (Kearns), the Utah Olympic Park (Park City), and the Soldier Hollow Nordic Centre (Midway).

Utahns bought 40% of the tickets in 2002, and most events were sold-out. A recent Deseret News/Hinckley Institute poll shows that the Olympic spirit still burns brightly for many in Utah: 79% of Utahns approve of the Games returning to the state, while only 16% disapprove and 5% were uncertain.

Will the new Games be worth the cost? Making the bid will cost about \$2 million in private funds. If Utah wins the Games, staging them will cost about \$2.5 billion. Just as in 2002, those costs will be easily repaid from sponsorships, ticket sales, and broadcast rights. No state and local funding will be needed; in fact, just as in 2002, state and local governments will come out ahead.

But at the international level, economics and politics come into play. Sapporo, Japan, was a contender for the 2030 Games until its own version of a scandal pushed its bid back to the 2034 Games. Vancouver, Canada, and Barcelona, Spain, are also possible bidders.

Economics are a factor as well since Los Angeles has been selected to host the 2028 Summer Games. The 2030 Winter Games will take place 19 months later, and if both take place in the same country, sponsors and television viewers might well suffer Olympic fatigue, straining both interest and the hoped-for economic payoff.

I'll cheer for the Salt Lake Winter Games; whether they occur in 2030, 2034, or 2038, the sooner, the better from this fan's perspective.



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THE RED ROCK-A-PALOOZA May 12-13. The Red Rock-a-Palooza includes; The Foodie, Home & Fun Expo, The National Food Truck Rally, Floating Lantern Ceremony & Concert Celebrity Golf Tournament. Washington County Legacy Park, 5500 W. 700 S., Hurricane.

ROALD DAHL'S CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY: PREVIEW May 13, 23, and 25, 8:45 PM. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

FOOTLOOSE THE MUSICAL May 19–June 6. 8 PM. (Days vary). Kick off those Sunday shoes and enjoy the thrilling music of "Footloose!" Showing in world-renowned Zion Canyon, the O. C. Tanner Amphitheater is excited to host this incredible production. O. C. Tanner Amphitheater, 144 Lion Blvd, Springdale.

FESTIVAL OF THE AMERICAS May 19–21, 10 AM. Native American Activities, Music & Dance, Demonstrations, Artisans, Native Food. This three-day festival will feature an array of cultural art forms and customs. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for students and children and available online. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct, Ivins.

TARZAN: PREVIEW May 20, 22, 24, 8:45 PM. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

WORCS: DIRT BIKE RACING May 26–28, 8 AM. WORCS: Dirt Bike Racing WORCS Racing - Dirt Bike WORCS Party held at Three Peaks Oasis. For information visit worcsracing.com. Three Peaks Oasis, 7000 N Lund Hwy., Cedar City.

ROALD DAHL'S CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY May 29, 31, and June 2, 8:45 PM. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

TARZAN May 30, and June 1, 3, 8:45 PM. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

AMB PAGEANT June 2–3, 8 AM. Dixie Center, 1835 Convention Center Dr, St. George.

CVCT: CINDERELLA June 2–3, 7:30 PM. Cedar Valley Community Theatre presents Rodgers and Hammerstein's - Cinderella. General admission is \$15 and \$10 for seniors and students with ID. Heritage Center Theater 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

UTAH BEAUTY EXPO June 2–3, 2 PM. Dixie Center, 1835 Convention Center Dr., St. George.

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CALENDAR

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

Laurie Cook & The Heat at Casablanca May 3-7, 6 PM. Showtimes may vary. Playing a wide variety of dance music including pop, disco, Latin, classic rock and Country. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

Terry Wayne Project at Casablanca May 10-14, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. R&B, funk, dance, oldies, and classic rock. Free admission. 21 or older. Skydome Lounge, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

Gregg Peterson Band at Casablanca May 17-21, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. Classic Rock, Variety, and dance band. Free. 21 or older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

Glenn Gallarde Project at Casablanca May 24-28, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. Former Star Search vocalist Glenn Gallarde and the band, specializes in bringing a show of Top 40's, Dance and all Rock Anthems of the 60's, 70's, 80's, 90's and to the present day. Free. 21 or older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

Sampoux & Kentishinner at Casablanca May 29-30, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. Dance the night away to your favorites from the 60's, 70's, 80's, 90's, 2000's! Free. 21 or older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

Karaoke with "Gayle Louise" 5 PM. Karaoke Funnnn! with "Gayle Louise" Tuesday's and Wednesday's (702) 345-6747. PEGGY SUE'S DINER. 380 N. Sandhill Blvd., Mesquite.

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

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

Events by Day

MONDAYS

Story Time with Grandpa Steve 10 AM. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

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

TUESDAYS

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

Make Art Tuesdays 11 AM. Everyday is better when you make art! Join us every Tuesday from 11 - Noon to create unique projects that you can take home. St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St., St. George.

Story Time at Washington Branch 11 AM. Washington County Library System, 220 N. 300 E., Washington.

Trauma & Loss Women's Group 6 PM. Trauma & Loss Group for Women. 640 E. 700 S., STE 101, St. George.

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

WEDNESDAYS

Story Time with Mrs. Mann 10 AM. Washington County Library, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

Story Time at Hurricane Library 11 AM. Washington County Library System, 36 S. 300 W., Hurricane.

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

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

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

Learn to Square Dance 6 PM. Learn To Square Dance Cedar City Aquatic Center, 2090 W. Royal Hunte Dr., Cedar City.

Karaoke at Beaver Dam Bar 5:30 PM. Every Wednesday with Gayle Louise (SAME TIME as Mesquite) (435) 229-9725. 411 Co Hwy. 91, Littlefield.

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

THURSDAYS

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

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

Tops (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 4 PM. Support group helping you focus on making small, steady lifestyle changes with "Real People-Real Weightloss. Call (435) 669-7172 or visit www.tops.org Pioneer Museum, 145 N. 100 E., St. George.

Desert Community Strings and New Horizons Strings 5:30-7:30 PM. Open to all ages and abilities. If you used to play a stringed instrument and would like to get back to the joy of music, this group is definitely for you. desertstrings.org Basement of St. George Medical Building, 736 S. 900 E., St. George.

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

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

Karaoke Night at Sand Hollow Resort 7:30 PM. Every Thursday night. Located in the Grille. Prizes available. Sand Hollow Resort, 5662 W. Clubhouse Dr., Hurricane.

Karaoke with DJ Lance at Mikes Tavern 9 PM. 90 W. Hoover Ave., Cedar City.

FRIDAYS

Moms 'N Tots Playtime at Hurricane 11 AM. Washington County Library System, 36 S. 300 W., Hurricane.

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

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

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

SATURDAYS

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

Sweet Pea Farm & Orchard Farm Breakfast 8 AM Every Saturday from 8 AM.-12 PM. all summer long. Sweet Pea Farm & Orchard, 136 S. 600 W., Parowan.

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

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

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

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

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

Tai Chi Dragon Qigong at Santa Clara Library 10:30-11:30 AM. Full-body energetic healing. Admission is free. No experience needed. Tai Chi Dragon Qigong is good for all ages and all levels of health and mobility. Santa Clara Library, 1099 N. Lava Flow Dr., Santa Clara.

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

Saturday Movie Matinee at St. George Library 2 PM. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

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

Events by Date

Fri, May 5

Ironkids Fun Run 2 PM. Town Square, 50 S. Main Street, St. George.

Utah Tech University Art Department Showcase 9 AM. Utah Tech University, St. George.

Spring Fling & Birdhouse Parade 5 PM. Booths, interactive displays, children's activities, music, refreshments and more. The Garden at Tonaquint Park, 1851 S. Dixie Dr., St. George.

Gary Huff at The Bit & Spur 6 PM. Contemporary Music. Bit & Spur Restaurant & Saloon, 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

Prende! Latin Night at Blues Katz Rock N' Roll Bar 9 PM. Blues Katz Rock n' Roll Bar. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

Sat, May 6

Free Comic Book Day Free Comic Book Day Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

Free Comic Book Day Free Comic Book Day Washington County Library System, 36 S. 300 W., Hurricane.

Desert Hills High: DHHS PTA Spring Carnival and Car Show - Front Parking Lot 7 AM. Desert Hills High School, 828 E. Desert Hills Dr., St. George.

Downtown Farmers Market 8 AM. Vernon Worthen Park, 300 S. 400 E., St. George.

Hurricane Valley Farmers Market 9 AM. Hurricane Recreation Center, 63 S. 100 W., Hurricane.

Mesquite Days Parade 10 AM. Mesquite Days Parade - Starts at 10 AM going from W. Mesquite Blvd. to N. Willow St., Mesquite.

Springtime Community Event Noon. Three Peaks Oasis, 7797 N Lund Highway, Cedar City.

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CALENDAR

PROJEKT LISTEN - FLANIGAN'S FREE CONCERTS ON THE LAWN SERIES 7 PM. Projekt Listen. Folk, Alternative. May-September, join us on Saturdays for a free concert series. Occasionally this season, there will be a full bar on the lawn with a separate area for attendees 21+. Rain or Shine. Free Event. Flanigan's Inn, 450 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

TILTED MESA AT BEST FRIEND'S ROADHOUSE 8 PM. Come see Tilted Mesa at this great outdoor facility in Kanab, Utah. Lots of space to spread out, great food from Coyote Sky Tacos, and a cool atmosphere to hang out with friends and family. All ages. No cover. Best Friends Roadhouse & Mercantile, 30 N. 300 W., Kanab.

THE ED TRACY BAND AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR 8 PM. Classic rock, Pop. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

Sun, May 7

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

Mon, May 8

DAVE TATE - MUSIC & MARKET MONDAYS AT THE BIT & SPUR 5 PM. Critically acclaimed and award-winning Singer-Songwriter Dave Tate's soulful music combines dynamic vocals with intimate acoustic guitar to present a unique and introspective indie-folk sound. 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

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

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

DIXIE HIGH: DHS & DMS CHOIR CONCERT 6 PM. Dixie High School, 350 E. 700 S., St. George.

CANYON VIEW HIGH: SPRING CHOIR CONCERT 7 PM. Canyon View High School, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

ORCHESTRA CONCERT 7 PM. Cedar High School, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

SNOW CANYON HIGH: POPS CONCERT 7 PM. Snow Canyon High School, 1385 Lava Flow Dr., St. George.

CONCERT IN THE PARK FEATURES 90'S BLOCK PARTY 7:30 PM. Free. Alternative 90's music. Park seating is available, bring blankets, lawn chairs, food, and the family. Vernon Warthen Park, 300 S. 400 E., St. George.

Tues, May 9

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

SCOTLAND ORIENTATION MEETING 5:30 PM. Come learn about our SGACC trip to Scotland. SGACC, 136 N 100 E, St. George.

RHEDA K & KREW AT CASABLANCA 6 PM. A Las Vegas band playing Blues, R & B, Jazz, Standards, & Gospel. 21 and older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

Wed, May 10

EGGS AND ISSUES WITH INTERMOUNTAIN HEALTH 7:30 AM. St. George City Council Primary Candidate Forum SGACC, 136 N. 100 E., St. George.

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

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

CANYON VIEW HIGH: BAND/ ORCHESTRA CONCERT 7 PM. CVHS, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

Thurs, May 11

CASEY STICKLEY AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. Heavily influenced by bands such as Pearl Jam, Soundgarden, and Alice in Chains. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

NICK HOFF 7 PM. Nationally touring stand-up comedian Nick Hoff is coming to Southern Utah in May! Clean comedy at its best; grab your friends and buy your tickets so you don't miss out!! Heritage Theater, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL - PARTNERS IN ROCK 7:30 PM. Rock Concert of the Year! Winger & Firehouse! Bring your own chair. Tickets and information at ironspring-sutah.com or 435 708-0101. Iron Springs Adventure Resort, 3196 N. Iron Springs Rd., Cedar City.

Fri, May 12

RAGNAR TRAIL ZION Ragnar Trail Zion, the trail relay that inspired the entire series, is back! Grab your most adventurous friends and join us to run, relay-style, over two days and one star-filled night! The race wraps up Saturday, and you can finish together under the Ragnar Arch and celebrate with the best medal ever. Zion National Park, Springdale.

MR. OK AT ZION WILDFLOWER RESORT 6 PM. Live looping from scratch for every song, Mr. OK weaves unique groove stylings into classics and original tracks by way of beatbox, guitar, vocals, melodica, and occasional brass. Come to a show and catch a vibe. Rain or Shine (In good weather, on the patio - in bad weather, in the lobby where space is sometimes limited). Visit charkessmusic.com. Zion Wildflower, 100 Kolob Terrace Road, Virgin.

JOSH LARSEN AT THE BIT & SPUR 6 PM. Josh is a singer songwriter from here in Southern Utah who loves to create music that people can connect with. 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

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

NICK HOFF 7 PM. Clean comedy at its best! Nick Hoff is coming to Kanab Utah for one night of hilarious comedy and fun. Kanab Center, 20 N. 100 E., Kanab.

Sat, May 13

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

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

GREG ISTOCK - FLANIGAN'S FREE CONCERTS ON THE LAWN SERIES 7 PM. Singer, songwriter, percussionist. Playing an organic mix of roots music, rhythm and blues, and a little jazz for flavor. Flanigan's Inn, 450 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

RICK SPRINGFIELD LIVE 7:30 PM. Cox Performing Arts Center, 325 S. 700 E., St. George.

SOIREE MUSICALE CLASSICAL CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT 7:30 PM. Soiree Musicale presents a masterful performance with musicians from California, Nevada and Utah featuring Brahms Opus 36 Sextet and Tchaikovsky "Souvenir de Florence" Sextet. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct., Ivins.

Sun, May 14

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

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

Mon, May 15

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

ELECTRIC WITNESS AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR 8 PM. Dick Earl is a blues and rock and roll musician from St. George. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

Tues, May 16

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

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

CANYON VIEW HIGH: JAZZ/ PERCUSSION CONCERT 7 PM. CVHS, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

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

Wed, May 17

CHAMBER POWER LUNCH WITH WORLD TRADE CENTER UTAH 11:30 AM. Board of Governors Sponsor: WTC Utah. St. George.

SOUTHERN UTAH LADIES SOCIETY MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING 6 PM. Southern Utah Ladies Society is a non-profit group of volunteers dedicated to making a difference in our community. We also plan monthly service projects where we volunteer as a group. St. George Area Chamber of Commerce, 136 N. 100 E., St. George.

Thurs, May 18

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

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

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

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

TOURING ARTIST "I AM HOLOGRAM" AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. Alternative Rock. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

Fri, May 19

5TH AND UNDER STATE FINALS Triple C Arena, 50 E. 800 N., Panguitch.

OSU: SOIREE 5 PM. Join the Orchestra of Southern Utah for an evening of the Roaring '20s. Music, food, live, and silent auction, meet the orchestra and Board. Tickets are \$50 per person or \$350 for a group of 8 available online. The Lobby Events at Cedars Hotel, Cedar City.

MR. OK AT ZION WILDFLOWER RESORT 6 PM. Live looping from scratch for every song, Mr. OK weaves unique groove stylings into classics and original tracks by way of beatbox, guitar, vocals, melodica, and occasional brass. Come to a show and catch a vibe. Rain or Shine (In good weather, on the patio - in bad weather, in the lobby where space is sometimes limited). Visit charkessmusic.com. Zion Wildflower, 100 Kolob Terrace Road, Virgin.

PROJEKT LISTEN AT THE BIT & SPUR 7 PM. Experience the music of the Olson Twins. Projekt Listen is an earthy female duo band comprised of sisters, based in southern Utah. Free Event. 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

Hal Cannon and Teresa Jordan: Lessons from Red Rock

Thursday, June 1, 2023, 7pm-8:30pm
Canyon Community Center, Springdale, 126 Lion Blvd
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Zion Canyon was formed by cataclysm: volcanic eruption, earthquake, flood, and slower forces that hoisted and tilted the earth's crust. This beauty we love is a dynamic landscape, always changing. And disturbance can be a creative force for individuals as well. The pandemic upended us all. Musician and folklorist Hal Cannon and writer and artist Teresa Jordan talk about how lockdown and other disruptions have shaped their creative lives.

Hal Cannon came to work at Zion Lodge fresh out of high school, confused and looking for his path. Ever since, he has returned to listen for echoes off canyon walls, searching for wisdom and peace. In 1977, he started The Southern Utah Folklife Festival. As part of Phillip Bimstein's group Red Rock Rondo, he helped create the Zion Canyon Song Cycle and then produced a documentary of the work that won two Emmys. After he moved to Virgin in 2011 with his wife Teresa, he formed the American Desert Music group 3hattrio.





Teresa Jordan graduated from college in the agricultural crisis of the 1970's, just as her family lost the Wyoming ranch that had been their home for almost a century. This was her first experience with how disruption can spur new growth, and she set off to drive nearly 60,000 miles across the West, interviewing women on ranches and in the rodeo. This project resulted in her first book, and there have been eight more since, including Riding the White Horse Home: A Western Family Album and The Year of Living Virtuously: Weekends Off.


This presentation is part of Zion Canyon Mesa's "Community Conversation" series, in partnership with Zion Forever. Visit us at ZionCanyonMesa.org





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

Sat, May 20

SAND HOLLOW TRIATHLON 8 AM. Olympic & Sprint Distance Triathlon, Sprint Duathlon, and Olympic Aquabike. Sand Hollow State Park, 3351 S. Sand Hollow Rd., Hurricane.

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FREE - DIXIE 4WD OFFROAD CAR SHOW & SWAP MEET PRESENTED BY TRAIL HERO 10 AM. Sand Hollow State Park - OHV Parking Lot. Sand Hollow State Park, 3351 S. Sand Hollow Rd., Hurricane.

COLOR COUNTRY ROCK SHOW 110 AM. Vendors and Customers wanted! Come for Rocks, Minerals, Crystals, Beads, Metaphysical, Jewelry, and more. Admission is FREE and open to everyone. For information, call 435 275-4445. Cedar Rock and Bead Shop, 718 W. 400 N. #1, Cedar City.

HOGS & HOUNDS! A PET ADOPTION AND BBQ! 11 AM. Hogs & Hounds Pet Adoption and BBQ Zion HD, 2345 N. Coral Canyon Blvd, Washington.

SUMA: 28TH ANNUAL ART AUCTION 4:30 PM. Live music and catered dinner. Bid on a variety of the finest art from around the region in both silent and live auctions. Proceeds will support the museum's exhibition fund. For information, call 435 865-8564 or visit suu.edu/suma. SUMA - Southern Utah Museum of Art, 13 S. 300 W., Cedar City.

TOM BENNET- FLANIGAN'S FREE CONCERTS ON THE LAWN SERIES 7 PM. Award Winning & Nationally touring one man band from Eagle Crest Ranch, Georgia. Flanigan's Inn, 450 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

FESTIVAL OF THE AMERICAS - D'DAT SATURDAY PERFORMANCE 7:30 PM. Award-winning trumpet player Delbert Anderson, the deep funk of international touring artist and drummer Nicholas Lucero, and the intellectually explorative and expanding groove of Mike McCluhan on bass. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for students and children and available online. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct, Ivins.

CELEBRATION AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N' ROLL BAR 8 PM. Blues Katz Rock n' Roll Bar. 307 N. Bluff, St. George.

Sun, May 21

ROLLIN' IN RED ROCKS CAR SHOW 9 AM. Special Event. North Parking Lot, Dixie Center, 1835 Convention Center Dr., St. George.

SKYDOBE AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. Funk, Neo-Soul & Blues. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

Mon, May 22

ELI SHAY - MUSIC & MARKET MONDAYS AT THE BIT & SPUR 5 PM. Piano Based Americana and Vocals - Classic Covers, True Originals. 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

Tues, May 23

JACK LEDUC TRIO AT CASABLANCA 6 PM. Country Hits and a variety of a little of everything else, it's a night of all the favorites featuring Jack LeDuc! You may know him as the "George Strait Tribute" recently in the CasaBlanca Showroom. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

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Wed, May 24

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

Thurs, May 25

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

Fri, May 26

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

MR. OK & THE LAST LIGHT - LIVE AT THE ZION BREWPUB 4 PM. Mr. OK & The Last Light's Memorial Weekend Zion Tour (Day 1). Live At The Zion Brew Pub. 4pm-7pm Zion Brew Pub, 95 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

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

GHOST TOWN BLUES BAND AT THE BIT & SPUR 9 PM. Ghost Town Blues Band is from Memphis, TN. 21+. \$20 at the door. Bit & Spur Restaurant & Saloon, 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

ACOUSTIC ADVENTURE - THE BUMBLEBERRY THEATER'S FREE FRIDAY CONCERT SERIES 7 PM. Acoustic Adventure with Shawn on guitar and vocals and Nelly on guitar and vocals, playing a wide range of music Spanning from Over The Rainbow by Judy Garland, to Nothing Else Matters by Metallica. The Bumbleberry Theater, 97 Bumbleberry Lane, Springdale.

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

TARZAN: OPENING NIGHT 8:45 PM. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

MOVIE IN THE PARK - SCHOOL OF ROCK 8:45 PM. St. George Town Square becomes an outdoor movie theatre for the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month. Classic movies for adults and children will be shown on the big screen under the stars. Bring your blankets, lawn chairs, and goodies to enjoy the evening and movies as it begins at dusk. Town Square, 50 S. Main, St. George.

Sat, May 27

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

MR. OK & THE LAST LIGHT - FLANIGAN'S FREE CONCERTS ON THE LAWN SERIES 7 PM. Mr. OK & The Last Light's Memorial Day Weekend Zion Tour (Day 2). Mr. OK weaves unique groove stylings into classics and original tracks by way of beatbox, guitar, vocals, melodica, and occasional brass. Flanigan's Inn, 450 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

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Sun, May 28

MOUNTAIN MEADOW AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. Acoustic Rock from the 60's - 80's. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

MR. OK & THE LAST LIGHT AT ZION WILDFLOWER 7 PM. Mr. OK & The Last Light's Memorial Day Weekend Zion Tour (Day 3). Zion Wildflower Resort, 100 Kolob Terrace Road, Virgin.

Mon, May 29

LISA MAC - MUSIC & MARKET MONDAYS AT THE BIT & SPUR 5-8 PM. Lisa Mac has become known for her powerful, soulful voice and poignant blues-rock songwriting. 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

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

MR. OK & THE LAST LIGHT - BOAT SHOW ON QUAIL RESERVOIR 7 PM. Mr. OK & The Last Light's Memorial Day Weekend Zion Tour (Day 4). \$10/person for access to music cove on Quail Reservoir. Bring a paddleboard or kayak, or rent one at a discounted. Band will be playing on a pontoon boat from 7-9. Quail Creek. Reservoir - Dig Paddle Sports, 472 5300 W., Hurricane.

Thurs, June 1

THE LARGEST MIXER 8 AM. Dixie Center, 1835 Convention Center Dr., St. George.

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

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

HAL CANNON AND TERESA JORDAN: LESSONS FROM RED ROCK 7:00 PM-8:30 PM. A conversation centered on perseverance and courage. Canyon Community Center located at 126 Lion Blvd. in Springdale, UT.

Fri, June 2

DICK EARL TRIO AT THE BIT & SPUR 6 PM. Dick Earl's Electric Witness is the result of decades of loving the blues, learning life's lessons by leaning on his faith and sharing those experiences through his stirring harmonica, solid guitar styling, and raw vocals. 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

MR. OK AT ZION WILDFLOWER RESORT 6 PM. Live looping from scratch for every song, Mr. OK weaves unique groove stylings into classics and original tracks by way of beatbox, guitar, vocals, melodica, and occasional brass. Come to a show and catch a vibe. Rain or Shine (In good weather, on the patio - in bad weather, in the lobby where space is sometimes limited). Visit charckessmusic.com. Zion Wildflower, 100 Kolob Terrace Road, Virgin.

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Sat, June 3

ELI SHAY - FLANIGAN'S FREE CONCERTS ON THE LAWN SERIES 7 PM. Piano Based Americana and Vocals - Classic Covers, True Originals. Flanigan's Inn, 450 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

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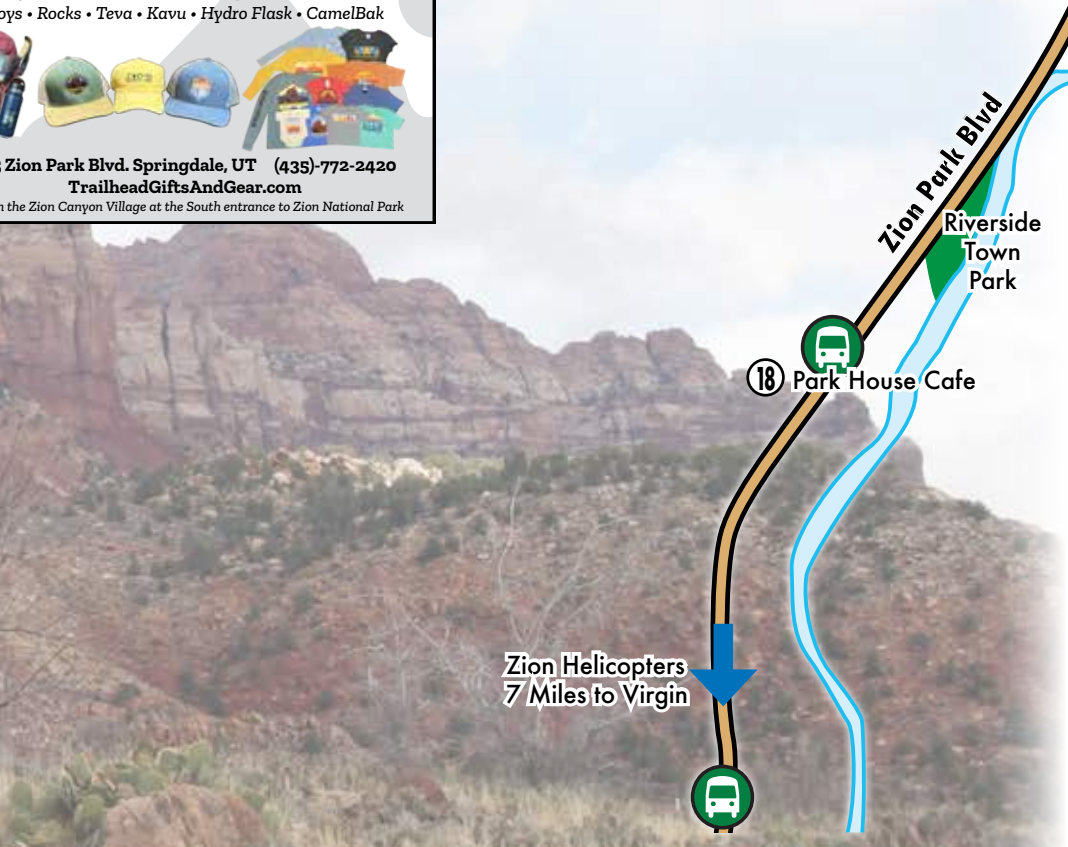
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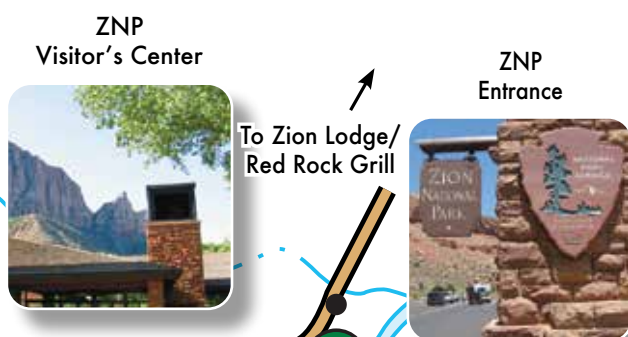
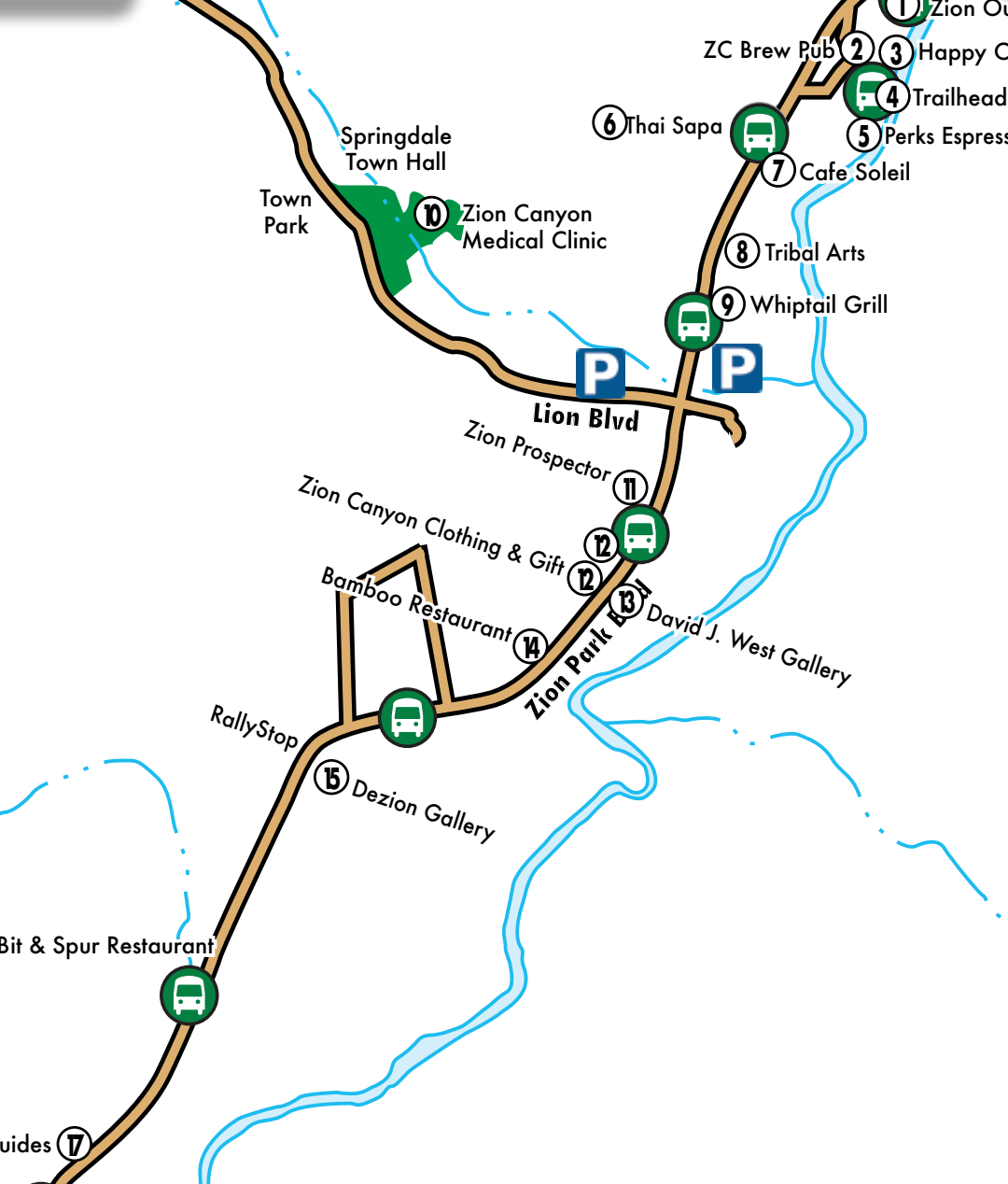
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Other spots of note in Springdale include the library (located on Lion Boulevard, next to Town Hall), tennis/pickleball courts (also on Lion Blvd), and the Virgin River, which has numerous locations of access, but Riverside Park is one of the best.

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GUIDE TO UTAH'S LIQUOR LAWS

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

SPRINGDALE'S FEATURED RESTAURANTS FROM ZION GUIDE

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

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

Welcome To Zion from Zion Guide!

Safety Tips For Zion

Emergencies

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

Hydrate and use refillable water bottles

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

Be cautious near steep cliffs

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

Watch for flash floods

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



Tips To Minimize Your Impact

Pack it in, pack it out & use recycling bins

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



Please stay on the marked trails

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

Go before you go

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

Be respectful to the wildlife

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

Please leave it how you found it

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

Tips To Maximize Enjoyment

Go on a less crowded hike

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

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

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

Consider coming back again in the low season

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

Check out Kolob Canyons and Kolob Terrace Road

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



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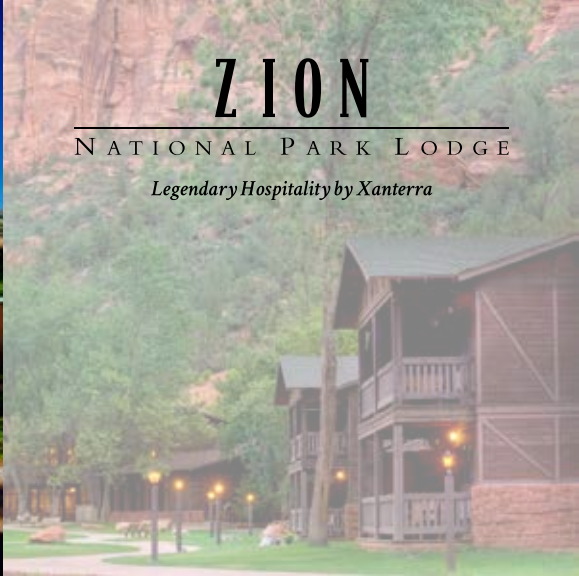




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Get some great hiking in

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

Spend a day in Springdale

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

Catch an event

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

Try a guided tour

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

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

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

Take lots of pictures, leave only footprints

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



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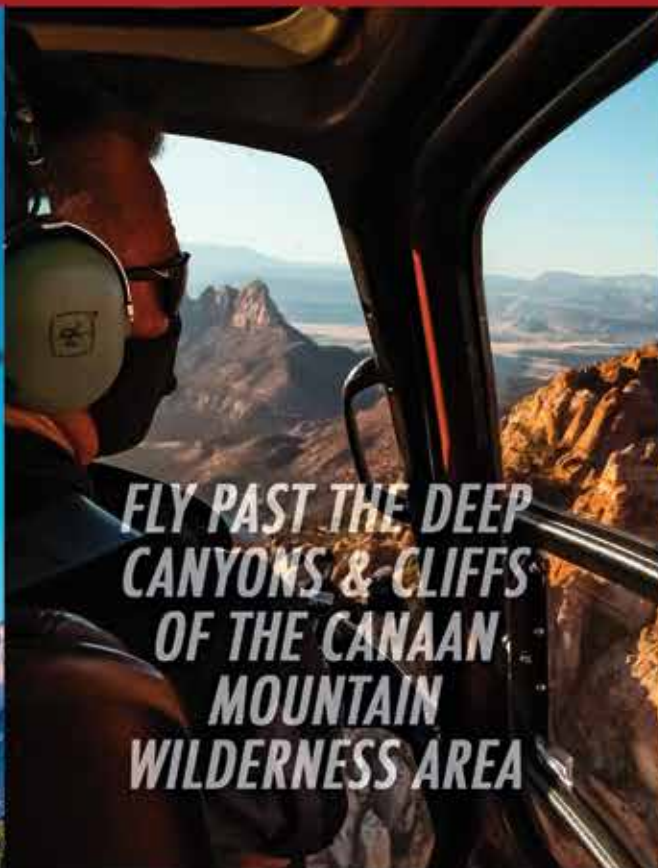


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You do not need a permit or reservation to ride a park shuttle.

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You do need to pay the park fee.

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

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

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

Important Shuttle Bus Information

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

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

Background

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

When The Shuttle Is In Operation

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

During most years, shuttles run:

Daily from March through November.

On weekends in February and March.

For the holiday season, near the end of December.

If you want to visit the Zion Canyon Scenic

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

How To Use The Shuttle System

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

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

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



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

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

Zion Shuttle Schedule	To May 10	May 11-Sept. 17	Springdale Shuttle Schedule	To May 10	May 11-Sept. 17
First bus into the canyon from the Zion Canyon Visitor Center	7:00 a.m.	6:00 a.m.	First shuttle leaves the Majestic View Lodge (Stop 9)	8:00 a.m.	7:00 a.m.
Last shuttle leaves the Visitor Center	5:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.	Last shuttle leaves Zion Canyon Village (Stop 1)	8:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
Last bus out of the canyon from the Temple of Sinawava	7:15 p.m.	8:15 p.m.			

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



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Zion Area Annual Events Calendar

May-Oct. Kanab Outdoor Market
Nursery stock, baked goods, local artistry, jewelry, crafts and goods, free bounce house and balloons for the kids.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

August Kane County Fair
Offering many wonderful events for the whole family. Most of the events are free so don't miss out.

August Western Legends Round-up
Kanab's celebration of film, music, poetry, and Western heritage.

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

September Demolition Derby
Cars, trucks and "figure 8s" with up to 18 cars demolition derby with events for the entire family, including the Power Wheels Derby for kids and the wife-carrying contest!

September Carmel Mtn. Music and Art Festival and Car Show
Check out fancy cars and enjoy live entertainment, vendors, food and kid-friendly activities.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

December Z-Arts Gala
Dress up for a night of food, dancing, mingling and an art auction. This annual gala is hosted by Z-Arts and is open to the public.

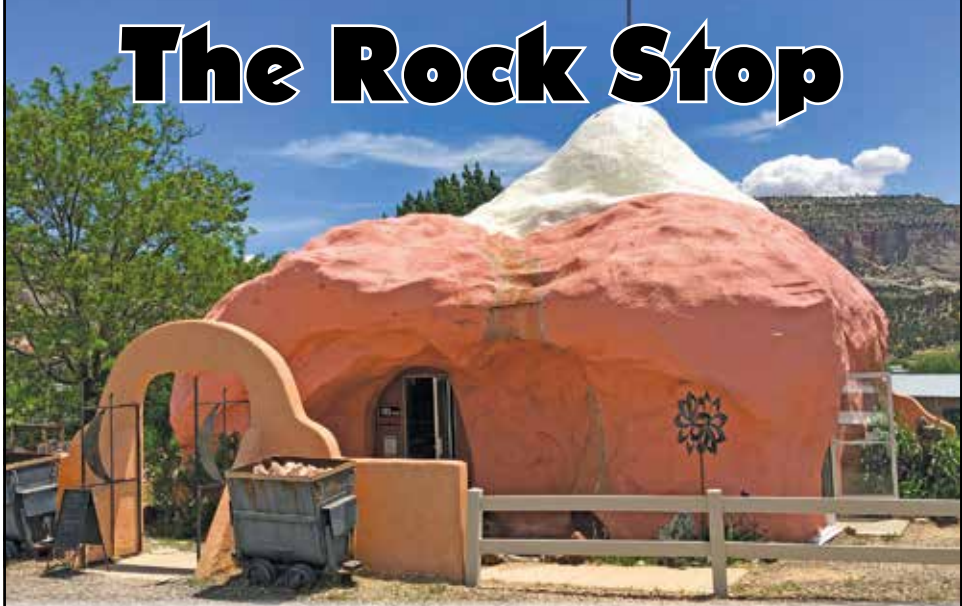


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Zion National Park Hiking Info

THE LOCALS' GUIDE TO HIKING PREPAREDNESS

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

In 2017, the National Park Service reported 324 search-and-rescue operations, which means 324 extremely unpleasant vacation experiences — nearly one a day. In 2014, the reported number was almost half that. The majority of those rescues occurred in Zion and Bryce Canyon National Parks, and most hikers who end up getting into trouble are either in their 20s or are older than 60.

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

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

Zion National Park is often referred to as an outdoor Disneyland. But this is the

wilderness, and it's far less forgiving than any theme park. Here are some tips for how to safely enjoy your time in Zion Canyon.

Bring water

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

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

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

Wear appropriate clothing

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

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

Trails in Zion range from short and easy to long and challenging. Don't overestimate your ability and endurance level. And don't engage in horseplay or other activity that might endanger yourself or others. Some of Zion's hikes are steep, and you wouldn't be the first person to tumble down a hill — or worse, fall off a cliff. Zion is beautiful, but it's also dangerous, so respect yourself and

others by respecting the terrain.

Leave wildlife alone

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

Hike sober

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

PERMIT PROCESS FOR HIKING ANGELS LANDING IN ZION

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

"We expect many visitors will want to apply for a permit, so we made our process accessible, flexible, and fair." Superintendent Jeff Bradybaugh said.

"Lotteries were the right fit for Angels Landing because they give certainty about application periods and flexibility so that people can fill out the application when it's convenient for them."

Need to know

- All advanced 'Spring Seasonal Permits' have been awarded except for Day-Before permits.
- You can apply for 'Day-Before' lotteries. (Apply one day in advance of your desired hiking date) until May 30th, 2023.

• For Day-before Lottery applications, visit www.recreation.gov and click on Permits.

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

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

About Zion's Angels Landing Pilot Permit Program

Everyone hiking past Scout Lookout to Angels Landing needs to have a permit. This means you need a permit to hike on the half-mile section of the trail with chains. Hikers do not need a permit to go to Scout Lookout.

This is a pilot program, and the National Park Service (NPS) will monitor and adjust it as needed.

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

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

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Trail Closures (as of Nov. 2022)

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

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

Northgate Peaks

By Don Gilman

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

To reach the Northgate Peaks trailhead, take State Route 9 to the town of Virgin. Turn left onto Kolob Terrace Road. Drive for 15.7 miles through increasingly spectacular country until the short spur road (on the right) for the Wildcat Trailhead is reached. Drive a few hundred feet to the large parking area.

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

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

Gifford Canyon

By Bo Beck

Gifford Canyon offers a nice stroll through a sandy wash and is very charming when water is running. This hike is nearly 3 miles long and will take about 2 hours to finish.

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

On top of this wall is a narrow dirt path that is crowded by rock



Chinle Trail

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

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

Chinle Trail

By Greta Hyland

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

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

Shortly after you get through the housing development, you will hit a sign

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

Many Pools - Temporarily Closed

By Candice Reed

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

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

Overlook Trail

By Charlotte Emmett

The Overlook Trail is a short, beautiful hike located on the east side of Zion National Park, just outside the Mt. Carmel tunnel. The hike is about one mile roundtrip, and it usually takes people about an hour. It is definitely one of the easier hikes in Zion, but it's still

considered a moderate-level hike due to a few exposed areas and sandstone pathways, which can be slippery.

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

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

The East Rim Trail

By Bo Beck and Tanya Milligan

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

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

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

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

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

Angels Landing via West Rim Trail

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

Observation Point via East Rim Trail

This hike climbs through Echo Canyon to a viewpoint of Zion Canyon and offers access to Cable Mountain, Deertrap, and East Mesa trails. Plan for at least half of a day as this hike takes around five hours to complete and stretches over 8 miles. The 2,148-foot change in elevation from start to finish has long drop-offs, so be careful. Like Hidden Canyon Trail, this hike starts at Weeping Rock.

The Narrows via Riverside Walk

A full-day hike at 8 hours, the Narrows can pose extra dangers depending on the weather. High water levels can prevent access to the Narrows, so be sure to check with the visitor center before beginning this 9 1/2-mile hike. You'll start this hike at Temple of



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

Sinawava.

Kolob Arch via La Verkin Creek Trail

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

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

Kayenta Trail

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

Canyon Overlook Trail

Starting at Zion-Mt. Carmel

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

Taylor Creek Trail

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

Timber Creek Overlook Trail

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

Those looking for something less strenuous should check out these easy hikes.

Pa'rus Trail

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

Archeology Trail

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

Grotto Trail

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

Riverside Walk

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

Lower Emerald Pool Trail - Temporarily Closed Due To Falling Ice

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



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ANASAZI STATE PARK MUSEUM - This ancient Indian village in the heart of Utah's canyon country was one of the largest Anasazi communities west of the Colorado River. The site is believed to have been occupied from A.D. 1050 to 1200. The village remains largely unexcavated, but many artifacts have been uncovered and are on display in the newly remodeled museum. Anasazi State Park is in the picturesque town of Boulder on State Route 12. Group and individual picnic areas are available. There is no camping. (435) 335-7308.

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

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

CEDAR BREAKS - Sitting at over 10,000 feet and looking down into a half-mile deep geologic amphitheater. Come wander among timeless bristlecone pines, stand in lush meadows of wildflowers, ponder crystal-clear night skies and experience the richness of our subalpine forest. Just four miles off Utah Highway 148, you'll find the Cedar Breaks National Monument parking lot.



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

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

to the Gulf of California, a distance of 1,400 miles. (435) 259-2614.

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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



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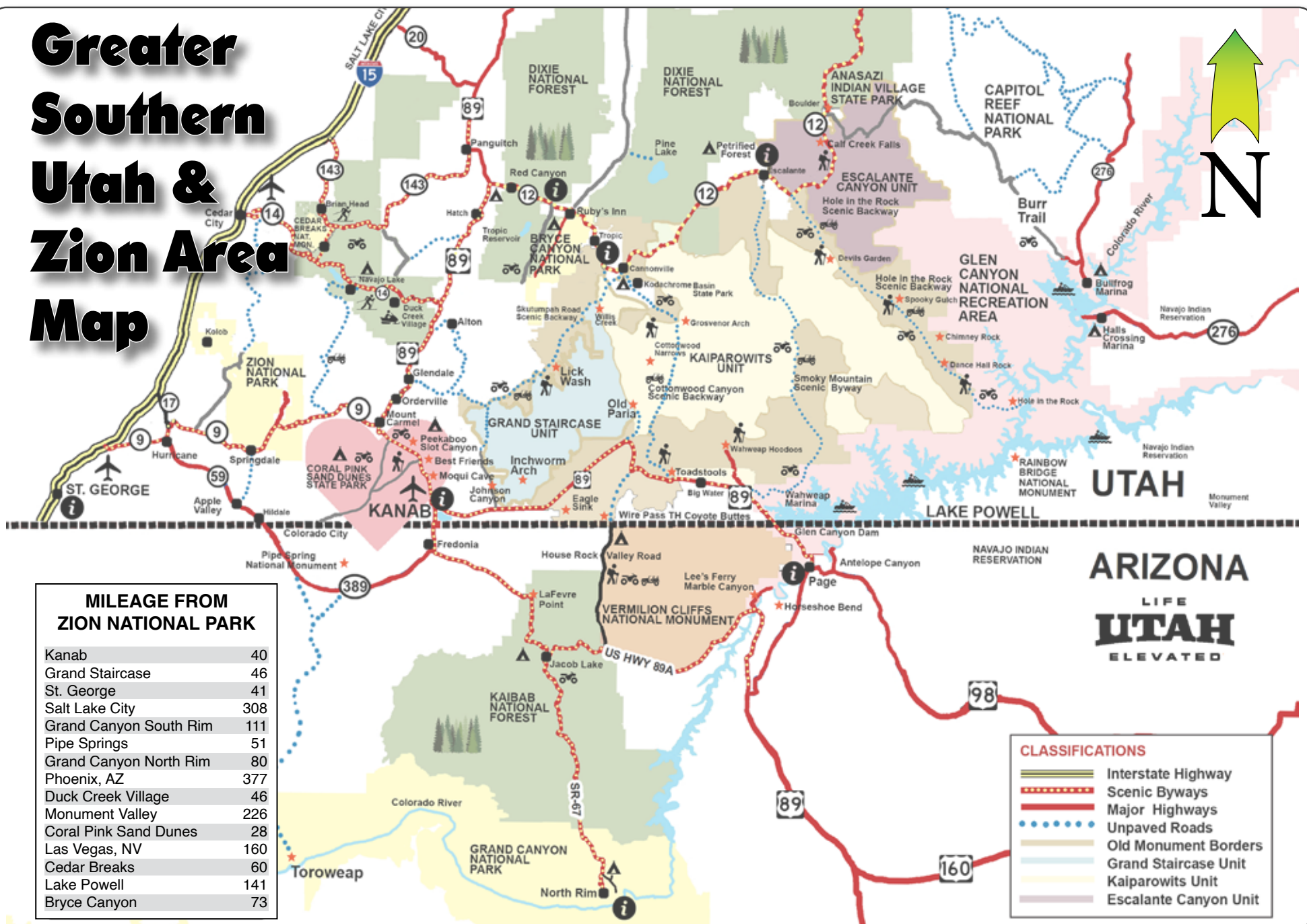
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7 Adria's Restaurant	86 S 200 W, Kanab	(435) 644-7800	W, B, M	8:30am-2pm Tues-Sun	No
16 Asava Juice & Smoothies	176 S 100 E, Kanab	(435) 644-2637	V	9am-6pm Mon-Sun	Yes
13 Jakey Leigh's	4 E Center St, Kanab	(435) 644-8191	E, V	7am-2pm Mon-Fri, Sat & Sun 8am-Noon	Yes
5 Nomad Cafe & RV Resort	2400 N Hwy 89, Kanab	(406) 594-0294	E, V	6:30am-2:30pm Thurs-Mon	Yes
22 Sunny Creek Coffee	681 E Chinle, Kanab	(435) 212-3839	E, V	7am-2:30pm Mon, Wed-Sat	Yes
17 Willow Canyon Outdoor	263 S 100 E, Kanab	(435) 644-8884	E	7:30am-7pm daily	Yes

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6 Nature's Showcase	288 W Center, Kanab	(435) 644-2390
9 The Cut Scene	89 W Center, Kanab	(435) 849-8670
15 Ramsay Auto Service	115 S 100 E, Kanab	(435) 644-8070
14 Zion Pharmacy	14 E Center, Kanab	(435) 644-2693

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20 Honey's Marketplace	260 E 300 S, Kanab	(435) 644-5877
8 Kanab Drug	176 W Center, Kanab	(435) 644-3401
4 Moqui Cave	4581 US-89	(435) 644-8525
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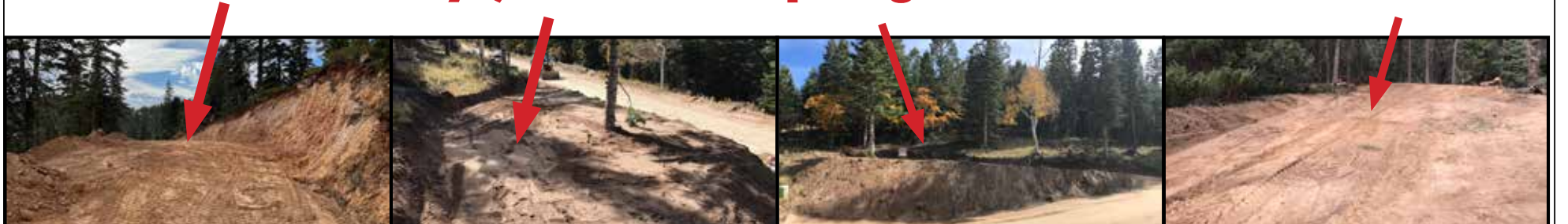
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