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Notes From The CABIN IN THE SKY

by Asa Gilmore

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

- Thomas Jefferson, United States Declaration of Independence, July 4 1776

Independence Day on the Comstock is always top notch. I have seen many fireworks displays in my life, and I am here to tell you, my dear reader, that it isn't just about the explosives and pretty lights, but equally about community and love for your countrymen and freedom and optimism and all those more ethereal qualities that make up true patriotism.

The most expensive fireworks display fades quickly, but community and brotherly love prevail, and that is truly a strength of the Comstock.

It seems to me that most of us truly love our country and are grateful to be here, and thus when the fireworks start to go off it's just the icing on the cake for an already glorious American birthday.

It is my heartfelt belief that we are all blessed to live in the greatest country on earth, enjoying freedoms that can scarcely be imagined in many places. I am infinitely fond of our particular corner of the free world. Samuel Francis Smith never did say exactly what region inspired these lyrics

from "My Country, 'Tis of Thee", but you will likely agree with me that it describes the Comstock perfectly:

*I love thy rocks and rills,
thy woods and templed hills;
my heart with rapture thrills
like that above*

And with that, the sun is rising over the Cabin in the Sky, and it is time to hoist the flag and prepare for the 4th. Until next week,

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One-Page Autobiography

PINE NUTS

by McAvoy Lane
The Ghost of Mark Twain

Some attribute my everlasting immaturity to the fact that I'm the son of an optometrist, and so it's no surprise that I'm always making a spectacle of myself.

However, having immersed myself in the writings of Mark Twain for half a century, I am now a recovering spectacle. Yes, if I can bring a smile to a stranger's face with a spoken word, well, that's what I'm here to do. The humorist is not looking for a laugh; the humorist

is looking for the hint of a smile, or a nod of acknowledgement, for at bottom, all humorists are calling for action...

On September 18th, 1943, inside Providence Hospital, Washington D.C., Barbara Layne gave one herculean push and heard, "I'm here! Got anything to eat?" Providence had it that I would have loving parents, quarreling siblings, a superior wife, a smart son, and three cute

grandkids, all of whom have brought light into the life of this lifeguard, SAE, Marine, Never Sweat, and impressionist of Mark Twain...

Now it remains my goal, with the little time I have left, to bring a lasting peace to our torrid world. I have sent letters to presidents Putin and Zelenski offering to help our State Department broker a truce, and am patiently waiting for a reply. Meanwhile, we turn our eyes and hearts to the Middle East. I for one refuse to exit this planet until we have ceased warring on one another while attempting to promote monarchical, theocratic and political postures. And if the Middle East doesn't cool down, I might just have to haul my Marine Corps uniform out of the closet and command that everybody chill, or they might have to deal with Corporal Night Train Layne.

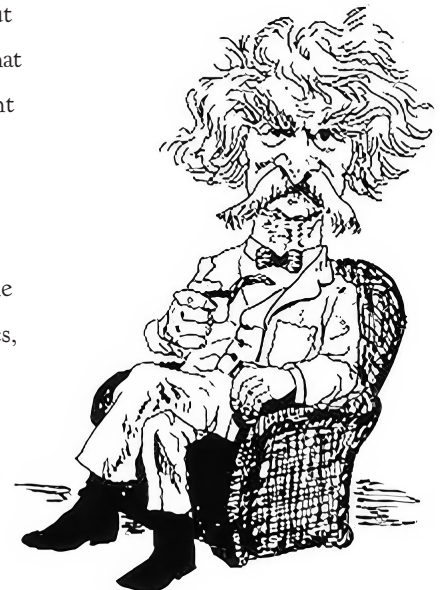
A little more humor, a little more music, a few more smiles, more dancing, more charity, more kindness, and BINGO, we've got ourselves a vigorous and enduring environment...

In closing I would like to suggest that we all pen, on our 80th birthdays, a personal one-page autobiography. Future readings will serve to advance human understanding and tolerance. And should you elect to start your one-page autobiography at age forty, and revise it as you steam mightily and jauntily along, well, that's an excellent first step. Here's to chronicling your examined life!

Your friend in history where facts are not essential,

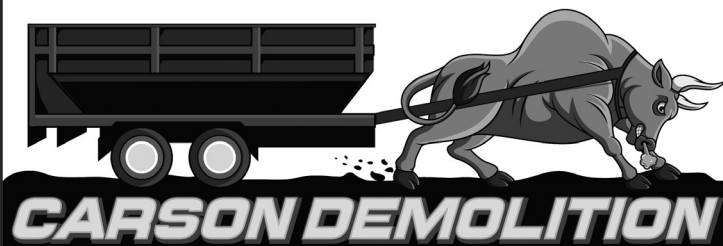
And defender of virtue should any be found,

McAvoy



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King's Corner

by Jeff Headley

Rocky Mountain National Park in north-central Colorado is often nicknamed Estes Park, as that's the town at the eastern entrance. The Continental Divide runs directly through the center, as do the headwaters of the Colorado River, defining the beginning of "the west". With its wooded forest and mountain tundra, it's a rugged, wild and beautiful area, especially in late summer.

When my dad, Robert 'Mark' King, was in his late teens he rode through there by motorcycle, winding his way toward Wyoming where fall harvest work was just a few weeks away. He made regular, random stops in the middle of nowhere just to enjoy the beauty and the solitude of nature.

One stop was about to show another side of nature.

Where a peak gently sloped into a meadow he pulled off the dirt road, parked, leaned against the motorcycle's seat and smoked a cigarette as he watched a few bison – most would call them buffalo – grazing below. At this time most plains bison were living in national parks, and getting to see the recovering population was a treat. By this time in the season they had their light brown summer coat, each were about 12' long by 6' high, and each weighed up to 3000 lbs.

After a while he could hear a distant thundering sound but could see nothing. Then, pouring over the hill behind him, came a charging herd of bison, filling the horizon to either side. He had no place to go and no time to move, and they were headed right for him.

Mark made the decision not to move, to see if they would pass him by. They slowed, and then surrounded him, pressing up against him like one might a

curiosity that you want to check out more closely. By the time they came to a halt they were pressing up against him and his motorcycle on all sides. He held on to the bike, struggled to keep it upright, and watched very carefully where his feet were compared to their hooves.

Once they'd surrounded him as far as he could see in any direction, they all stood there pressing up against him, each of them standing near his height and many times his weight. Those close to him looked straight at him, pondering what they'd discovered. None of them acted like they had plans to move anytime soon.

How many times in life have we been suddenly ambushed by circumstances we could never see coming? Where we just happened to be standing in a certain place at the moment we never saw coming? When life suddenly surrounded us, pressed in, left no room to move, and whatever might happen next seemed out of our control?

How have you prepared for moments like these? What life lessons can you draw upon that may not seem obvious at first but could give you a key to responding? One might be to remember that no matter how much pressure surrounds you, it's still your response that matters most.

There are times when reaching out to God seems a natural response, even if you haven't talked with him for a while. God may not always deliver you from the immediate circumstances, but he could give you the peace and courage to get through whatever comes next.

While some moments won't change unless you – or God – do something, others simply require you to steadily ride it out and wait for change. The pressure

you didn't invite may not stay around if you can patiently hold on in the meantime.

Mark remembered that bison are essentially just big cattle. He's worked with cattle, caring for them and herding them. He reminded himself that unless they're suddenly spooked they behave. So he prayed for patience, personal safety, and no surprises. And despite the urge for another cigarette he thought better of lighting up right then.

Eventually some at the edge of the herd began to wander onto finding other grass. After a while there was some movement around him, and they carefully passed to either side like a stream might around a rock. And then at the front they picked up speed and soon all the remaining ones were charging off to some distant horizon.

Two hours after he'd pulled over to admire nature, he was alone again. Every bit of the ground around him had hoof

marks, but he and his motorcycle were untouched. They'd been breathing down his neck, sniffing his clothing, rubbing up against both he and his bike, but had done no harm. They just left him with a vivid memory and profound respect.

Life is going to put us under pressure. Even the good and beautiful circumstances that smile at us can suddenly bare their teeth and threaten to bite. When that happens, look inside for the resources and abilities you might not realize you have. Look to God to guide you through and enable you to trust him and learn from this time. Then, once you've come through, look back and learn.

And remember with respect that you've emerged intact, with your story to share.

Jeff Headley is the new minister of Dayton Valley Community Church, a regular columnist, & takes after his father as a storyteller.

Sudden Surprises

The Lord said to Moses... "I have let you see it with your eyes, but you will not cross over into it."

DEUTERONOMY 34:4

Sermon: Where is the Lamb?

by Minister Jeff Headley

Sunday July 6, 2025

Fellowship 9am | Service 10am



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ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

By Melody Hoover

The Cider House at

Canvas Cafe

Saturdays 12 - 2 pm
Live Music with Award
Winning Canyon White

Red Dog Saloon

Friday Live Music 6:30 pm -
Gary Wheeler Band

Wednesday 7 pm - 10 pm
Open Mic

Bonanza Cantina and Bar

Live Music Saturday 11 - 2 pm
and Sunday 12 - 4 pm

Saturday Evening, 7 pm - 11 pm

Ponderosa Saloon

Friday Evening, 8 pm - 12 am
Karaoke

Saturday 8 pm - Live Music

Bucket of Blood

Friday Live Music 2 pm - 6 pm
Lady An The Tramps

Live Music Saturday and
Sunday 2 pm - 6 pm

Delta Saloon

Friday Live Music
7 pm - 11 pm

Saturday Live Music
2 pm - 5 pm & 8 pm - 12 am

The Washoe Club

Ghost Tours Daily, generally
every hour from noon to five,
check in early for reservations

The Tahoe House Hotel

Live Music Friday 7 pm - 10 pm
Greg Austin

Firehouse Saloon

Saturday 2 pm - 5 pm
Pretty Ugly - Live Music

Historic Fourth Ward School Museum

Open Sunday through Saturday,
10:00 am - 5:00 pm

St. Marys Art Center

Open Wednesday through
Sunday, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Independence Day Parade - Noon - C Street

4th of July

Fireworks at Dusk

For more July 4 details visit:
<https://visitvirginiacitynv.com/events/4th-of-july-events-in-virginia-city/>

Historical Society of Dayton Valley Bingo

170 Pike St, Dayton, Every
Monday, 5 pm, door open,
\$10.00

Odeon Saloon Opening July 11 Free Event - Pike St Dayton

Doors open at 4:00 pm, with
a ribbon-cutting ceremony at
4:30 pm, followed by hours of
entertainment.

CHURCH SERVICES

Dayton Valley

Community Church

Fellowship Sunday 9:00am
Service at 10:00am

St. Mary In The Mountains

Catholic Church Mass Sunday
11:30am and Wednesday 9:00am

First Presbyterian Church

Sunday 9:30am

Add your church service
to this list! Email editor@thecomstockchronicle.com

Odeon Saloon Plans Opening Day Party

by Chronicle Staff



Photo by Melody Hoover

The Odeon Saloon, situated on Pike Street in historic Dayton, is preparing for an outstanding new opening party scheduled for July 11, starting at 4:00 pm with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 4:30 pm.

Here's the full lineup for July 11, and they are looking forward to seeing you there. Free rides on Dan's speeder car along the tracks (donations appreciated), Historical Society of Dayton Valley, Tintype photos by Eye of Rie (fees apply — get in line early!), Three open pool tables on a first-come, first-serve basis. Cornhole games in the yard, Western-themed fun — guests are encouraged to dress up in Victorian, mining, cowboy, or classic Western attire, Food by Out West Catering's Chuck Wagon, Drinks & great company all night.

Music & Dance Schedule

4:00 pm - Doors Open (background music, food & drink service starts)

5:30 pm - Josh Budro (opening set) Josh Budro Music

6:15 pm - Line Dance Instructor (first set)
Nichelle Tuesdee Parker

6:45 pm - J. Ezra Music

7:30 pm - Line Dance Instructor (second set)

8:00 pm - Makayla Taylor (prime time set)

8:45 pm - Line Dance Instructor (optional quick set)

9:00 pm - Carson Chandler

9:45 pm - Pretty Ugly Band (closing set)

Open to the public — no tickets required! Celebrate the Odeon's new chapter. Dress to impress — there will be plenty of photo ops!

VC Live Concert Series Continues

Story and Photos By Steph Norby

You have “heard” us talk about For the Song concerts at Red Dog Saloon and Piper’s Opera House the last few issues, but why are we helping to push this concert series when Virginia City saloons already have live music many nights each week? Well, I will tell you. This is not a competition with the other amazing local talent we have on and near the Comstock. This is an extension of a greater cause to bring nationally-touring, critically-acclaimed artists to our area, which many talented musicians often bypass for larger markets. And with new-age

makes 12% of revenue,” explained For the Song Charitable Fund Founder Ford Goodman. “Recorded music revenues have gone up and to the right since about 1910, but now all the streaming revenue goes to the top 4%. Bands that used to make a couple hundred thousand dollars a year selling their albums now make pennies and all they have left is to tour.”

Goodman also pointed out how important it is to host concerts and other events in historic buildings like Piper’s Opera House because the more people we can get in the door to



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streaming services dominating the music industry, many musicians can no longer sustain their art outside their immediate region because of associated costs.

“A professional athlete makes 55-60% of revenue for professional sports, a musician

see how amazing these venues are, the more support we can gain from people for restoration projects and the like.

On Saturday, June 28, For the Song brought the folk-rock, bluegrass-infused Rose’s Pawn Shop to Red Dog Saloon and Alabama country-rock

Attendees dancing to Taylor Hunnicutt at Piper’s Opera House on June 28

powerhouse Taylor Hunnicutt to Piper’s Opera House. Rose’s Pawn Shop started the night with some toe-tapping favorites plus great original songs. After the first set, concert-goers made their way to Piper’s for the intense Southern vocals and chest-thumping instrumentals of Taylor Hunnicutt.

It costs the charity about \$5,000 per

weekend to deliver these talented acts and all that is asked of our community is to come out and support the artists. For the Song and VC Live Summer Music Series donated more than \$24,000 to bring four amazing acts to Piper’s this summer.

“The most important thing

I want you to know is if you come to a For the Song show and you give a dollar for a ticket or donation, the artist gets a dollar – that’s the only way we can make this work,” Goodman stated.

If you missed Nether Hour on Jun 7 and Taylor Hunnicutt on Jun 28, you still have two more concerts to mark on your calendars: Walt Wilkins & The Ramble (Texas singer/singwriter) on Aug 2 and Raul Midón (jazz/soul/folk fusion) on Aug 23. Plus, Virginia City/Storey County residents can score \$20 tickets at Red Dog Saloon or the VC Visitors Center.

Follow For the Song Charitable Fund on Facebook or visit www.forthesong.org for details on upcoming performances.



Virginia City Silent Riders appoint new Board Members

Story and Photo By Melody Hoover

Stewardship Council and Board Members of VC Silent Riders

Virginia City Silent Riders Stewardship Council and Board, as recently appointed by their members, are represented in the photo. Front row: Brian, Gary, Peter, Wes, and Scott. Second row: Sam, Kali, Christian, Sandy, and Carmel. They are volunteers for the non-profit group, which can be found supporting local events, walking the Boardwalk, visiting with guests, assisting with

directions, and happily posing for photos.

Who are the Silent Riders, and what is the history of their origin? "Virginia City grew overnight, becoming a vastly populated community, all compacted into a small 544-acre area, or 0.87 square miles.

Although this was a genuinely peaceful town (except for the sound of stamp

mills crushing rock throughout the day), the small city had all the issues that a largely populated city typically had, such as occasional robberies, public fights, drunkenness, and theft. The need for constabulary support was deemed necessary; hence... the Vigilance Committee was established."

"The Silent Riders fulfill

our mission of promoting the Comstock area by attending community events, working with local businesses, and sharing our history on the streets & boardwalks of Historic Virginia City. Most days, you'll find us in and around town, speaking with visitors as we stroll the Boardwalk. We're easy to spot! Just look for the Victorian era and Old West attire, the Silent Rider badge, the flowing Red Ribbon, the Challenge Coin, or the signature symbol of frontier justice: The hangman's rope. As stewards of the past, we take great pleasure in sharing the unique and unexpected history of Virginia City."

"This is NOT Cosplay, Steampunk, or "Cowboy dress-up time"! Many members are former military personnel, Police Officers, Firefighters, and other members of the armed services. The Silent Riders are at hand and at the ready. We are Virginia City! Who could have imagined the Silent Riders would grow to be what it has become today? As ambassadors to the future, we love to pose for photos and make your time in Virginia City a memorable one." (*Excerpts from silentriders.org*)

Stabbing in the Tahoe Reno Industrial Center

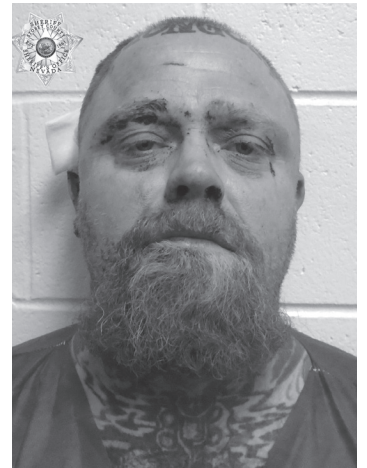
SCSO

On June 27, 2025, Storey County Sheriff's Office deputies were dispatched to a report of a stabbing, at a job site located in the Tahoe Reno Industrial Center. Upon arrival, deputies located a male subject, later identified as Ricky Duboc, who was covered in what appeared to be blood and was carrying a spring-loaded type of knife. Duboc was immediately detained. Deputies

located a second subject, a male later identified as William Roemer, who sustained life threatening injuries during the altercation. Roemer was transported to a local hospital, where he remains in critical condition. During the initial investigation and interviews with multiple witnesses on the scene, Duboc was identified as the primary aggressor in the incident. Detectives identified

both subjects to be members of outlaw motorcycle gangs (Duboc with the Mongols and Roemer with the Hells Angels). The incident was related to their gang associations. Both Duboc and Roemer were working at the job site. Duboc was taken into custody and transported to the Storey County Detention Facility. He was booked on the following

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Ricky Duboc

The Dayton Dispatch



*Community Roots and Shoots at a recent farmer's market.
Photo by Steph Norby*

LOCAL BUSINESS FOCUS:

Healthy Communities Coalition – Community Roots and Shoots

Story and Photos By Steph Norby

Dayton's Community Roots and Shoots is cultivating far more than local flora in their nursery—it is offering a helping hand to neighbors in need and providing youth empowerment activities to families across Lyon, Storey and Mineral counties. Operating under Healthy Communities Coalition (HCC), Community Roots has spent the last two decades providing vital resources, from food security and nutrition education to mental health

services and substance use prevention.

This active nonprofit provides a place for community members to grow, live and learn, focusing on three major service hubs: Healthy Food, Community Development, Health & Wellness. Under the Healthy Food Hub, HCC operates farmers markets and school gardens plus food pantries in Dayton, Silver Springs, and Yerington, serving thousands

of individuals every month. But it's not just about handing out food—it's about respecting the individual and offering holistic support. Customers can choose their groceries, talk with community health workers and access resources ranging from Narcan and fentanyl strips to primary care referrals. However, with more federal budget changes and cuts proposed, most if not all HCC programs will be impacted.

"The hardest thing is awareness, understanding and being informed because people don't know what's happening," said HCC Executive Director Wendy Madson. "As the need rises and the cuts keep coming and depending on this next cut that's on the table, we're going to desperately need volunteers."

HCC counts its blessings, though, and is excited about the recently-awarded American Heart Association grant being used to build two Community Roots hoop houses so they can grow more food onsite to supply their pantries, which will help if funding options continue to dwindle. HCC also appreciates its ingoing partnerships with local retailers like Smith's, Grocery Outlet, Raley's and Food Bank of Northern Nevada among others for their

continued support.

Under the Health & Wellness Hub, HCC has safe school professionals—social workers and community health workers—who are embedded with schools across Storey and Lyon counties, providing youth prevention activities and support.

"That is our core, but you start doing this work and it doesn't take long before you recognize what prevention looks like; it's transportation, having a house, having food, not having pain because your teeth hurt," explained Madson. "We really look at unmet needs and find ways to respond, whether it's through partnerships and bridging or sometimes we step up and make it happen."

That community-first approach also drives their Comstock Youth Works Program, one of the team's most cherished initiatives. Working closely with schools in Dayton, Silver Springs, Fernley and Yerington, HCC identifies at-risk high school juniors and seniors who would benefit from workforce training. These students are placed in HCC-paid internships with local employers where they gain soft

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Living & Working in the Tri-County Area

via Dayton Chamber

PRESS RELEASE – The Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce is proud to present a luncheon panel on "Living & Working in the Tri-County Area: Building a Stronger Economy for All" on Thursday, July 10, 2025, 11:30 am. at the Dayton Valley Golf Club in the Sierra Room.

Our guest panelists include Lyon County Manager, Mr.

Andrew Haskin; the new County Manager of Carson City, Mr. Glen Martel; and the County Manager for Storey County, Mr. Austin Osborne. The luncheon will be facilitated by Lyon County Commissioner, Mr. John Cassinelli.

Economic development is a critical component that drives economic growth, creating high wage jobs and facilitating an



improved quality of life. Listen to our highly experienced county managers as they talk about the efforts to stimulate the economy, how the counties work together, and how they balance other county needs and issues.

Open to the public, the cost of the luncheon is \$25.00 for chamber members or \$30.00 for non-members. Please RSVP by July 8: <https://daytonnvchamber.com/event-6226166>

For more information, call (775) 246-7909, or e-mail at director@daytonnvchamber.com.

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skills, mentorship and school credit. Additional enrichment activities every Monday and Wednesday provide time for hands-on learning, teamwork and fun. This is not just a summer job, it is a life-changing opportunity.

Under the Community Development Hub, the team offers various trainings and rural outreach clinics among other services, but the Community Roots nursery is what ties it all together. The nursery started as a fundraiser and has morphed into an employer of local youth and retired folks as well as a sheltered worksite for people needing community service, recently released from jail or in recovery (all employees are thoroughly vetted). While the nursery technically runs at a loss, the impact from this venture is well worth it to the team. Customers may not realize the full impact of their purchases, but every plant sold goes to support other HCC programs and the people running them.

"The nursery is kind of a little unicorn within all of this; a lot of awareness comes from coming into that nursery," said Madson. "It also kind of serves the people

who just come to be, just to sit. It's beautiful, it's calm. It's kind of that safe space to come and hang out."

How the Community Can Support

Every Thursday from now until Sept 18, the Dayton Farmers Market springs to life from 3–6 p.m. outside the HCC Solidarity Garden (60 2nd St), next to Dayton Pizza Factory. What started 15 years ago as a solution for local seniors to use their senior coupons has grown into a vibrant hub of produce, vendors and activities. HCC works with two regional farmers, ensuring fresh fruits and vegetables are within reach for families, and those with EBT benefits. Local cottage food vendors also participate, which further supports our local economy.

"Any proceeds at all go directly to help with programming," said Madson, who also confirmed that they do not typically make money on the markets, but the goal is to provide access to vital nutrients and a place for community members to come together.

"One of the things we hear often as a need is where do



families and kids go to get out and engage, where's the sense of community and how do we build that back again," added HCC Deputy Director Noel Chounet. "Because it's really the community that addresses risk factors with youth and supports that healthy growth, supports each other as our population ages."

We are lucky to have a resource like Community Roots and Shoots. It is more than a nonprofit—it is a movement rooted in compassion and empowerment. Whether you can donate, offer volunteer support, host a food drive, attend a market or simply spread the word about their programs,

your small act of kindness can positively impact your own neighborhood.

HCC just recently added prescription lock boxes and gun locks to their list of offerings and wants to help community members and their children safe in their homes.

Visit www.communityrootsnv.org or www.healthycomm.org for more details about programs and services. Follow Healthy Communities Coalition of Lyon & Storey Counties on Facebook and to take a new survey to help gain insights on impaired driving in our area.

Shots fired in Virginia City, suspect arrested

SCSO



Steven Bowron

PRESS RELEASE –
STOREY COUNTY, NV
 - On June 28, 2025 at 3:46pm, Storey County Sheriff's Office deputies were dispatched to a report of shots fired located near the intersection of B Street and Union Street in Virginia City, Nevada.

Deputies were on scene within a minute. Several witnesses told them that the alleged shooter was now on Union Street. Deputies immediately located the suspect and advised they had taken him into custody at 3:49pm. The suspect was identified as Steven Bowron (age 63 of Reno, Nevada).

Upon investigation and interviews with multiple witnesses, it was determined Bowron was intoxicated and had gotten into an argument with two family members regarding his vehicle keys being taken from him. As family members left the scene in their vehicle, Bowron used a firearm to fire approximately six times at the vehicle. Bowron then proceeded east bound on Union Street, on foot, where he discarded the firearm in a parking lot shortly before being detained by deputies.

Deputies located the firearm and canvassed the area for evidence. Six shell casings were located in the area where Bowron was said have shot from. The two victims in the vehicle were evaluated and found to be uninjured in the incident. The victims vehicle was observed to have bullet holes extending from the driver's side door to the rear of the driver's side.

Bowron was placed under arrest and transported to the Storey County Detention Facility, where he was booked on the following charges, with a total bail of \$175,140.00:

- NRS 200.010 Attempted murder with use of a deadly weapon (two counts)
- NRS 199.220 Destroy or conceal evidence
- NRS 202.257 Possess firearm while under influence of alcohol
- NRS 202.280.1 Discharge firearm in or upon public thoroughfare or in place of public resort
- NRS 202.595.1 Disregard for safety of person or property
- NRS 202.285.1b Discharge firearm at or into a vehicle

Intoxicated Dayton man arrested after attacking roommate and firing AR-15

LCSO



Michael Parker

On June 26, 2025, at approximately 9:00 p.m., deputies with the Lyon County Sheriff's Office were dispatched to a residence in the Dayton Valley Road area for a report of two roommates engaged in an altercation that had turned physical. Upon arrival, deputies met with a victim who had been strangled and had visible injuries. Deputies learned that the male suspect, later identified as Michael Parker, had left the area on foot and was armed with an AR-15 rifle. As deputies were tending to the victim, gunfire from a high-powered rifle erupted in the immediate area. Minutes later, Parker emerged from the darkness, armed with the rifle. Deputies ordered Parker at gunpoint to drop the weapon, and he complied. Parker was arrested without incident.

Parker was arrested for the following charges: Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Battery

(x2), Breach of Peace, Unlawful Possession of a Firearm without Serial Number, Intoxicated and in Possession of a Firearm, Intoxicated Pedestrian in Roadway, Discharging Firearm in Congested Area, Discharging Weapon Where Persons Might Be Endangered, and Discharging Firearm Upon Public Street. Total bail was set at \$33,650.00.

The victim was transported to Carson-Tahoe Hospital. The neighborhood was subsequently canvassed to ensure there were no injuries to citizens or damages to property. Any questions or information regarding this case can be directed to Deputy Foster or Sgt. Julie Redmond by calling (775) 463-6600, referencing Case #25LY02512. Anonymous tips can also be reported to Secret Witness at (775) 322-4900.

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Storey County
Annual Fiscal Summary Report
Per NRS 354.6015 and NAC 364-561

Storey County - General Fund

	ACTUAL PRIOR YEAR ENDING 6/30/2024	ESTIMATED CURRENT YEAR ENDING 6/30/2025	FINAL APPROVED BUDGET YEAR ENDING 6/30/2026
Fiscal Year Beginning Fund Balance	\$36,820,913	\$40,346,065	\$25,589,345
Total Available Revenues	\$38,607,032	\$43,022,429	\$52,164,291
Total Other Sources - Transfer In	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	\$21,334,880	\$32,738,857	\$39,505,279
Total Other Uses - Transfers Out & Contingency	\$13,747,000	\$25,040,291	\$24,394,027
Fiscal Year Ending Fund Balance	\$40,346,065	\$25,589,346	\$13,854,330

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Fire Protection District 474 - General

	ACTUAL PRIOR YEAR ENDING 6/30/2024	ESTIMATED CURRENT YEAR ENDING 6/30/2025	FINAL APPROVED BUDGET YEAR ENDING 6/30/2026
Fiscal Year Beginning Fund Balance	\$9,691,323	\$14,759,412	\$11,050,626
Total Available Revenues	\$14,758,823	\$14,045,871	\$21,654,743
Total Other Sources - Transfer In		\$100,000	\$200,000
Total Expenditures	\$8,691,709	\$13,309,725	\$15,879,537
Total Other Uses - Transfers Out & Contingency	\$999,025	\$4,544,932	\$14,089,536
Fiscal Year Ending Fund Balance	\$14,759,412	\$11,050,626	\$2,936,296

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Proprietary Fund - Water System

	ACTUAL PRIOR YEAR ENDING 6/30/2024	ESTIMATED CURRENT YEAR ENDING 6/30/2025	FINAL APPROVED BUDGET YEAR ENDING 6/30/2026
Total Operating Revenues	\$655,274	\$714,906	\$739,186
Total Operating Expenses	\$837,210	\$885,302	\$923,788
Total Non Operating Revenues	\$76,105	\$74,800	\$63,800
Total Non Operating Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0
Fiscal Year Beginning Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$1,552,196	\$1,636,802	\$1,323,839
Fiscal Year Ending Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$1,636,802	\$1,323,839	\$4,079,958

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Proprietary Fund - Sewer System

	ACTUAL PRIOR YEAR ENDING 6/30/2024	ESTIMATED CURRENT YEAR ENDING 6/30/2025	FINAL APPROVED BUDGET YEAR ENDING 6/30/2026
Total Operating Revenues	\$470,564	\$498,000	\$512,500
Total Operating Expenses	\$815,475	\$455,483	\$511,385
Total Non Operating Revenues	\$37,151	\$25,000	\$3,237,000
Total Non Operating Expenses	\$115,885	\$0	\$0
Fiscal Year Beginning Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$942,023	\$1,015,684	\$1,290,368
Fiscal Year Ending Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$1,016,684	\$1,290,368	\$4,275,425

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Storey County Fire Quickly Handles Structure Fire in Gold Hill

Storey County Press Release



Main Street in Gold Hill Nevada as fire crews worked.

STOREY COUNTY, NV - On June 30, 2025 at approximately 7:40pm, deputies were dispatched to a report of a structure fire in Gold Hill. Prior to deputies and the fire department's arrival, a Storey County Sheriff's Office deputy, off duty and on his way home, observed the visible fire coming from underneath the house. The off duty deputy quickly began helping occupants out

of the house. On duty deputies and the fire department arrived shortly after. All occupants were removed from the home. The fire department quickly got the fire under control and extinguished the flames. One adult occupant was transported to a local hospital for possible smoke inhalation. Fire investigators are investigating the cause of the fire.

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FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF NEVADA,
STOREY COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
BARBARA JEANNE GARRETT, Deceased

Case No. 25 PBT 00006 1E
Dept. No. 2
NOTICE OF HEARING
RE: PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL AND FOR
ISSUANCE OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that GINA MARIE TAYLOR has filed in this Court a Petition for Probate of Will and for Letters Testamentary of the Estate of Barbara Jeanne Garrett, deceased. A hearing has been set for August 15, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., in Department 2, of the above-entitled Court, at the Storey County Courthouse, 26 S. B Street, Virginia City, Nevada 89440.

All persons interested in the Estate are notified to appear and show cause why the Petition for Probate of Will should not be granted and Letters Testamentary should not be issued to Gina Marie Taylor, as Executor. Further details concerning the Petition for Probate of Will and for Issuance of Letters Testamentary can be obtained by reviewing the Petition at the Office of the Storey County Court Clerk, or by contacting the Petitioner at the address above.

DATED June 30, 2025.
STOREY COUNTY CLERK
A.DUKE
Deputy Clerk
Publication date: 7/4/2025, 7/11/2025, 7/18/2025

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APPLICATION FOR WATER NO. 94401

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on the 14th day of May 2025 Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe of Nixon, Nevada made application to the State Engineer of Nevada for permission to change the place and manner of use of 9.135 a.f.a., a portion of water heretofore appropriated under Claim 3 of the Truckee River Decree. Water will be diverted from the Truckee River at a point located within Derby Dam being within the N1/2 SW1/4 of Section 19, T20N, R23E, MDB&M. Water will be used for wildlife purposes as decreed. Water was used as decreed.

Adam Sullivan, P.E.
State Engineer
AS/mh

Date of first publication: 6/20/2025

Date of last publication: 7/11/2025

APPLICATION FOR WATER NO. 94229

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on the 5th day of March 2025 Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe of the Pyramid Lake Reservation, Nevada, a federally recognized Indian Tribe of Nixon, Nevada made application to the State Engineer of Nevada for permission to change the place and manner of use of 10.26 a.f.a., a portion of water heretofore appropriated under Claim 3 of the Truckee River Decree. Water will be diverted from the Truckee River at a point located within Derby Dam being within the N1/2 SW1/4 of Section 19, T20N, R23E, MDB&M. Water will be used for wildlife purposes as decreed. Water was used as decreed.

Adam Sullivan, P.E.
State Engineer
AS/mh

Date of first publication: 6/27/2025

Date of last publication: 7/18/2025

**Re: Bid Proposal for:
MARK TWAIN VEHICLE STORAGE BUILDING
P5-07
PWP # ST-2025-334**

To all bidders:

Storey County will be accepting sealed bids for the above referenced project "Mark Twain Vehicle Storage Building" Bids must be received by no later than July-22-2025 at 2:00 PM (14:00 hours) local time. Bids received after this date and/or time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened to the sender. Bids must be clearly marked on the outside envelope. Electronically transmitted bids will not be accepted. Storey County reserves the right to reject any bid or to accept the bid which is deemed to be in the best interest of the county. Bids will be opened and read aloud at 2:10 PM (14:10 hours) in the Paul Cavin Architect LLC conference room at 1575 Delucchi Lane, Suite 120, Reno, Nevada 89502.

Project Description: New construction of a 3,800 sq.ft. PEMB on a concrete slab-on-grade, appurtenant earthwork, minor electrical and mechanical.

All interested parties should contact Mike Maddox mike@paulcavindesign.com (775) 284-7083 to request a bid pack. This is a prevailing wage project subject to NRS 338. All interested parties must be qualified to bid on this project pursuant to NRS 338.1379 or NRS 338.1382.

Publication dates: 6/27/2025 and 7/4/2025

APPLICATION FOR WATER NO. 94230

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on the 5th day of March 2025 Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe of the Pyramid Lake Reservation, Nevada, a federally recognized Indian Tribe of Nixon, Nevada made application to the State Engineer of Nevada for permission to change the place and manner of use of 16.56 a.f.a., a portion of water heretofore appropriated under Claim 3 of the Truckee River Decree. Water will be diverted from the Truckee River at a point located within Derby Dam being within the N1/2 SW1/4 of Section 19, T20N, R23E, MDB&M. Water will be used for wildlife purposes as decreed. Water was used as decreed.

Adam Sullivan, P.E.
State Engineer
AS/mh

Date of first publication: 6/27/2025

Date of last publication: 7/18/2025

STABBING, cont'd from page 7

charges, with a bail amount of \$185,000.00-NRS 200.010 Attempted murder with the use of a deadly weapon motivated by hatred or bias toward victim-NRS 200.280 Mayhem with the use of a deadly weapon-NRS 200.481.2E Battery resulting in substantial bodily harm with use of a deadly weapon-NRS

200.400.3 Battery, with intent to kill to promote or assist a criminal gang-A bystander was also stabbed during the incident. This subject did not receive life threatening injuries and was transported and treated for his injuries at a local hospital. The investigation is still ongoing.



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Crossword Answer on Page 12

THEME: FLOWERS

ACROSS

1. Straw man's "victim"

5. Protestant denom.

8. Large edible mushroom

11. Mischievous Norse deity

12. *Thumbelina emerges from a flower in a fairy ____

13. Brick and mortar destination

15. Garner wages

16. Guinness and such

17. *Poison: "Every Rose Has Its ____"

18. **If you go to San ____, be sure to wear some flowers in your hair"

20. Electric one and moray one

21. Killer whales

22. p in mpg

23. Fatwa, alt. sp.

26. Spain's neighbor, across Strait of Gibraltar

30. "Back To The Future" actress

31. Leaked, as in ship

34. Miso bean

35. Operatic solos

37. H+, e.g.

38. Is dressed in

39. Leave a Hancock

40. Cast-off skin

42. Egyptian boy king

43. Clearance, as under a bridge

45. Neglectful in duty

47. **"Dandelion Wine" author ____ Bradbury

48. Dear one

50. Black cat, to some

52. **"Build Me Up ____"

56. Adult

57. ____ bowl, frozen dish

58. Poetic "through"

59. Latin dance

60. "Buffalo ____, won't you come out tonight..."

61. Kids' building block

62. Altitude, abbreviated

63. Like a fox

64. Water carrier

1. Staff symbol

2. Zoo sound

3. Gumbo pod

4. Separate grain from chaff

5. Model-building wood

6. Smart ones?

7. 100 centavos

8. Refrigerate

9. Commits a faux pas

10. Mont Blanc, e.g.

12. a.k.a. meditation in motion (2 words)

13. Ranch grazer

14. *Bette Midler's 1981 Grammy winning song (2 words)

19. Dungeness one and snow one

22. *Poppy's seed container

23. Banned camera setting, in a museum

24. Falcon's home

25. Boreal forest, in Russia

26. Ma tre d's list

27. Raccoon's South American cousin

28. *2024 Grammy winner for "Flowers"

29. Hop-drying kilns

32. *Lis in fleur-de-lis

33. * ____ Goo Dolls of "Gutterflower" fame

36. **"Flowers in the Attic" author V.C. ____

38. One of journalism's Ws

40. Declare

41. Costing nothing

44. Want to

46. ____ Beach, SC

48. Belonging to duke

49. Miuccia Prada's homeland

50. Like traditional storytelling

51. Lose skin

52. Tea servings

53. Tobacco

54. Strong desire

55. Standard's partner

56. Govt. property org.

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Lewis & Minor

by Matt Weidman



Story and Photos by Melody Hoover

Rodeo Queens on C Street with Wes and Tammy Francis of the VC Silent Riders

Multiple State Rodeo Queens toured Virginia City during a recent visit while in Northern Nevada for the Reno Rodeo. They strolled along the boardwalk, stopping to hear snippets of history and savor refreshing coffee drinks from the Roasting House. As guests, they were treated to lunch by the Savage Grill and had a sneak peek at the "soon to open" Speakeasy. The ladies were visited by Silent Rider Members Wes and Tammy, who answered questions about the town and their historical attire and posed for photos with them.

A ride on the V&T Railroad was an exciting part of their day. The V&T shared this statement about the visit, "We were so thrilled to welcome the Reno Rodeo Queens aboard the Virginia and Truckee Railroad today! Their visit brought a touch of Western sparkle to our historic rails — and we're pretty sure Conductor Neil had the best time of all!"

They all had a lovely time and look forward to returning for a more extended visit.



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