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Notes From The CABIN IN THE SKY

by Asa Gilmore

The Nevada desert has a complex relationship with water, as has been illustrated in recent days. On the one hand, there's that smell of rain on sagebrush and awe inspiring cloud formations and lightning strikes seen miles in the distance, out across the flats towards Lahontan. On the other hand... there's the flash flooding and mud and delays and power outages. Luckily, the Cabin in the Sky is on a hill and I'm the proud owner of a Reminton manual typewriter that needs no amps to operate. As Jim Clark might say, full steam ahead.

There was a man made water incident in Virginia City, or as I prefer to call it, a Water Feature. We covered the whole story on page 8, but Joe Curtis wrote in to tell me that "Old Unfaithful" as the Virginia City Street Fountain has been dubbed by



C Street in Virginia City,
late 1920s.

Photo via Joe Curtis.

locals, has sprung forth before in recent history. Remember folks, there's a lot of surprises under the streets of the Comstock. Dress accordingly.

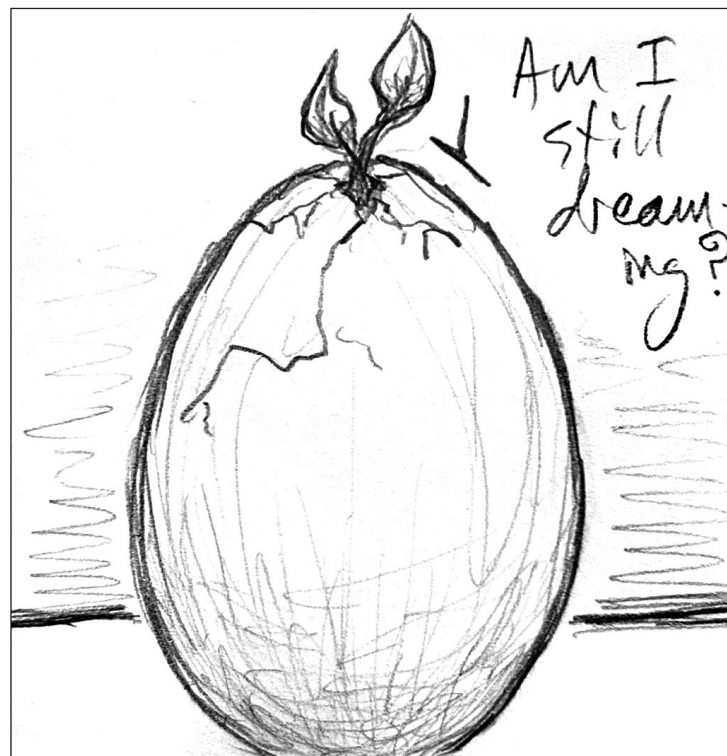
In Chronicle news, I want

to give a heartfelt welcome and thanks to Steph Norby, who has taken on the mantle of Assistant Editor. Steph is a talented journalist and all around amazing person. With her help, we'll continue turning out great papers every week, and the best newspaper on the Comstock will continue to grow. Steph, welcome to your new role and a heartfelt thanks for your friendship and hard work.

Is the sunrise getting later, or am I rising earlier? It's hard to tell, but there's just enough light out at the Cabin in the Sky to see my way to the overlook. I predict a glorious sunrise. Stay grateful for all the people in your life, embrace the water features when they happen, and always read your local newspaper.

Signing off,

AG



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The Guinness Book of World Records

PINE NUTS

by McAvoy Layne
The Ghost of Mark Twain

To make yourself officially amazing you really need to get yourself into the Guinness Book of World Records, and this is not an easy task. Take Tom Dalton of the UK, who crawled 100 meters on his hands and knees to set the current Guinness World Record of 39.7 seconds for fastest crawling male. You do not want to see the video of his wife. My guess is most record holders do not want to have their videos posted online.

But picture this: The heaviest weight lifted by a beard is 140

lbs. This Herculean record was achieved by Antanas Kontrimas from Lithuania on June 26, 2013, on the set of "Rekorlar Dunyasi" in Istanbul, Turkey. Antanas, using only his beard, lifted the show's host, Gupse Özay, right up off the ground. Again, you do not want to see the video...

And forget the shotput. You can set your shotput on a shelf and close the curtain around it, because Johan Espenkrona threw a washing machine 14 ft 7 in – about as long as a giraffe they said. Johan has never

thrown an actual giraffe, but I'll bet my Golden Gloves that he might like to try if presented with a giraffe.

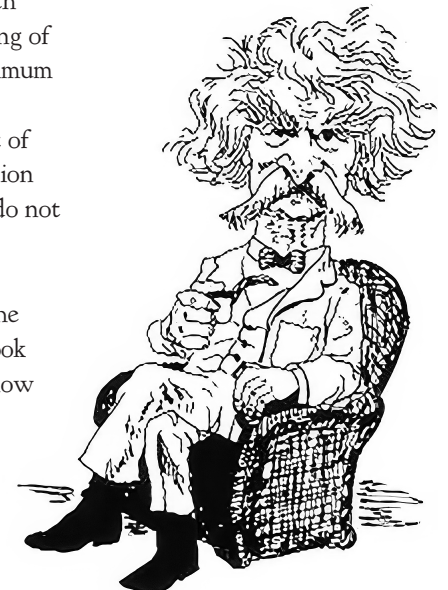
Okay, for endurance let's put aside triathlons and take a look at Łukasz Szpunar from Poland, who made history by becoming the first person to stand in a box of ice for over four hours. When Łukasz climbed out of that icebox he was asked how he felt, but nobody could understand him because his teeth were chattering so darn hard. They say to this day Łukasz cannot look at a glass of ice water without his teeth starting to chatter...

Finally, there is The Pride of Maryland, Kimberly "Kimycola" Winter, who belted out a belch measured at 107 decibels, loud enough they said, to wake General Grant in his New York tomb. Kimycola told Guinness World Record officials she slurped coffee and beer with her breakfast on the morning of the attempt to ensure maximum volume for her humongous blast, which was just short of the 112.7-decibel male version of the record. Again, you do not want to see the video...

Just looking at some of the records in the Guinness Book has caused me to wonder how I might become officially amazing by getting my

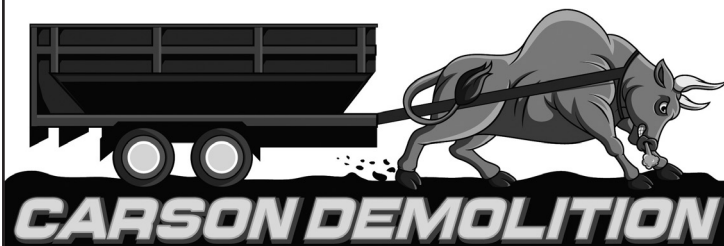
name in that book somewhere, and I think I've hit on it. This Pine Nuts column, number 1,671, just happens to be the longest running column in the world to be published without a blemish of an untruth in it anywhere...

Ask any AI, and you can see for yourself that Pine Nuts stands alone for veracity and accuracy over time. I shall make the Guinness submission myself, and alert you when we appear in next year's Guinness Book of World Records alongside Łukasz Szpunar and those other 4,000 officially amazing people. As they say in Hawaii, "Hope me luck."



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King's Corner

by Jeff Headley

Have you ever seen a situation that seemed beyond healing, beyond any redemption, that suddenly turned around? This is a saga with a surprise ending.

Lillie grew up in a small town in rural Wisconsin and, in high school during the depression, got pregnant to a rich boy who didn't want to know. Young Marion grew up in Minneapolis and was an early teen when her mother married George, the villain of our story. He soon 'broke her in' and in those days there was little she could do except try to escape.

When my dad, Mark King, was discharged after victory in Berlin, he moved to St Paul MN to be near his mom and step-dad, Julia and Clarence. He hung out with his friends Meryl and Joey at a bar on St Peter's Street and the neighboring restaurant on the corner of 9th Street, Mother Merrills. Marion came in to MM one night with a friend, met Mark, then returned on her own several times. They started dating.

Merl and Mark were then away for four months combing wheat near Dodge City, Kansas. On their return Julia told Mark that, "You must have done something to make her think you are going to marry her" which was her roundabout way of saying he got her pregnant. Meryl said "We've been away four months and she's only two month's pregnant!" but Mark's mother made him feel guilty. They married. Soon after George fed her large doses of ergot and quinine which induced a miscarriage.

Fortunately George and Lil moved to California. Mark and Marion conceived Debbie. Marion went to visit her mom, then George wrote that she would not be returning. When

Mark came to their house in Chico CA, George's face was covered with scratches where Marion had fought him off. But he wouldn't allow her to leave, or see Mark, except when Debbie was born. Then George and Marion left for Southern California. George organized the divorce.

Mark made monthly child support payments for three years until all the checks were returned by a government lawyer, uncashed. The cover letter said they'd been declined by the mother out of belief that if she cashed them the father might have rights to see his child.

Does this sound to you like a disaster? No one knew if Lillie knew what was going on with her daughter and granddaughter. But a few years later, at George's funeral, she was the last to speak. She stood up at the podium, simply said "May he rot in Hell", and sat down again. Marion never told her daughter Debbie about George's role; she simply said that Mark was never there for her as Debbie grew up.

In those days divorce took many years. Mark met someone else in the meantime and another baby was on the way. But his divorce would not be final in time for them to marry before I was born. So my mom put me up for adoption and I grew up elsewhere.

How unjust does all this feel? Mark didn't see his children grow up. Debbie was led to believe the worst about him, and I didn't know anything about him for over twenty years.

And you've been patient to read this far. Would you say this felt irredeemable? That George chose to destroy several lives and got away with it? That God's wheels of justice were barely

turning, if at all? Who could blame Mark for feeling that nothing about this was fair? But he chose to move on with life, and embrace it wholeheartedly.

Then the tide turned.

I found my birth mother, we had a wonderful lunch with my birth father, and I learned I had an older half-sister. I met Debbie at her home one evening, with her husband Mike and their three young kids. She and I immediately connected, and there was no mistaking we were siblings. Mike sat silent most the night, so I asked if he was all right. He said, "Maybe. This is like watching a male version of my wife, and I'm not yet sure how I feel about that."

We exchanged vastly different stories about our father. Over time we listened to each other, but could barely believe we were talking about the same person. I told her I'd found the lawyer's letter with all the uncashed checks, but her mother Marion denied it all.

Then Marion was diagnosed with cancer. Three weeks before she died she said to Debbie, "You know all those things your brother has been telling you about your father? They're all

true, and everything I told you was a lie. Please forgive me." Then she was gone.

We met at Mark's home here in Stagecoach. Debbie & Michael drove down from Oregon, and I flew up from Australia. We were all together, but it was hard for Debbie. I laid out the lawyer's letter and checks from almost fifty years ago to show he'd always fought to be in her life. At first she could barely touch them. Then healing happened. Before they drove away we had genuine family time together.

Later, when Debbie had the same cancer as her mom, she and Mark sat holding hands and talking up until just before she passed. Complete reconciliation.

Why this story? No situation is beyond hope. God's wheels of justice may grind slowly, but they grind very fine. Sometimes results are here, sometimes in heaven, but you are never overlooked or unloved. There may be a George in your life, but there's also God, and he's always there for you. To bring you healing, and hope, and justice, and reconciliation. Ask him, and trust.

Redemption

"The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy, your whole body will be full of light."

Matthew 6:22-23 & Matthew 7:24-29

Sermon: The Eyes Have It
by Minister Jeff Headley

Sunday Aug 31, 2025

Bible Study 8:30am | Fellowship 9am | Service 10am



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ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

By Melody Hoover

The Cider House at

Canvas Cafe

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

Red Dog Saloon

Friday 7 pm - Roaddaddy

Saturday 2 pm -

Gasoline Lollipops

Saturday 7 pm - Nevada 445

Wednesday 7 pm - 10 pm
Open Mic

Bonanza Cantina and Bar

Friday 7 pm - Live Music

Saturday 12 pm - 4 pm,
4 pm - 7 pm and 7 pm - 11 pm
Live Music

Ponderosa Saloon

Friday 8 pm - 12 am Karaoke

Bucket of Blood

Friday and Saturday
12 pm - 5 pm
Lady an The Tramps

Sunday Live Music
2 pm - 6 pm
Lady an The Tramps

Delta Saloon

Friday Live Music
6 pm - 10 pm

Saturday Live Music
1 pm - 4 pm and 6 pm - 10 pm

Sunday Live Music
12 pm - 3 pm

The Washoe Club

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

The Tahoe House Hotel

Friday Live Music
7 pm - 10 pm

Every other Saturday -
Open Mic and Karaoke
7 pm - 10:30 pm

Historic Fourth Ward

School Museum

Open Sunday through
Saturday, 10 am - 5 pm

St. Mary's Art Center

Open Wednesday through
Sunday, 11 am - 4 pm

Piper's Opera House

Civil War Ball - Doors Open
7 pm. \$20.00 per person at the
door. Appetizers provided by
Joe at Facet Jewelers and The
Bonanza; no-host bar provided
by The Firehouse Saloon. The
Grand March starts 8 pm.
Regular dancing to follow.

Labor Day Weekend Parade

C Street, Sept 1

Parade starts after completion
of Civil War Battle at 12
pm. See event schedule for
Heritage Days Here: [https://
www.comstockcivilwarre-
enactors.org/upcoming-events](https://www.comstockcivilwarreenactors.org/upcoming-events)

The Polar Express is returning for 2025

Casting call! We're looking
for energetic actors, singers,
and performers to bring
this favorite holiday to life.
Auditions in Carson City
on Sept 4, 5, and 6. For
more details and to request
a casting packet, email
PolarExpressDirector@gmail.com

DAYTON

Historical Society of Dayton Bingo

Dayton Community Center
170 Pike St., Dayton
Mondays - Doors open at 5 pm,
Bingo at 6 pm
BUY IN \$5.00

Sutro Tunnel & Site Tour

Saturday, Sept 17 9 am - 11:30
am. Details at thesutrotunnel.org

Save The Date: Dayton Valley Days 2025

Story and Photo by Melody Hoover



Julian, Liza, and Paul of Dayton embracing our heritage.

Dayton Valley Days is set to return the weekend of Sept 20 - 21, 2025, bringing energy and excitement to historic downtown Dayton. Get ready for a fantastic two-day festival in the heart of Nevada's oldest town as Dayton Valley Days comes back bigger and better than ever. Last year drew more than 10,000 folks (the largest turnout to date) and anticipation is building for this year's celebration. At its core, Dayton Valley Days is about celebrating our community and Comstock history, a time for neighbors and visitors alike to come together and celebrate our shared local heritage.

The hardworking Dayton Valley Days committee has lined up more than 150 vendors and food trucks to fill downtown

with shopping, dining and entertainment. From hand-made crafts and collectibles to unique finds and delicious food, there's something for everyone. Saturday will showcase the always-popular Show-n-Shine car show, presented by NPC Automotive and hosted by Good Nuff Stuff Car Club. The crowd favorite Pet Parade is scheduled for Sunday. Both days will feature live music from talented local artists, adding to the festive atmosphere.

With activities for all ages, Dayton Valley Days is the perfect time to gather family and friends, explore downtown, and make memories in celebration of this vibrant community tradition.

CHURCH SERVICES

Dayton Valley

Community Church

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

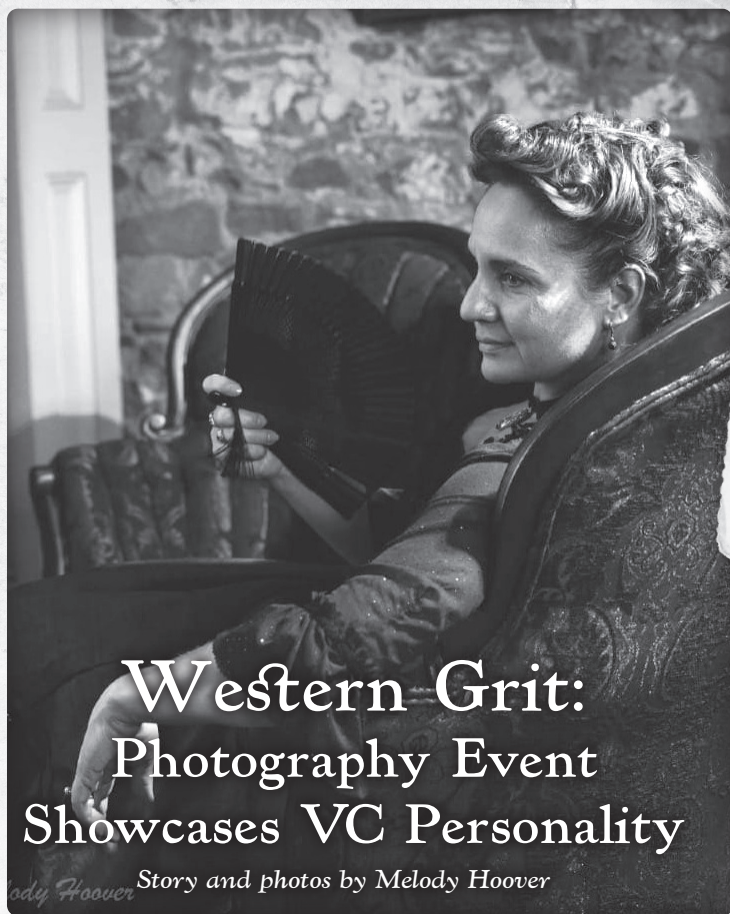
St. Mary In The Mountains

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](mailto:editor@thecomstockchronicle.com)



Liza McIlwee at Tahoe House Hotel

Excitement filled the south end of C Street this past week as photography workshop enthusiasts explored the art of storytelling through stylized portraiture and creative lighting. Participants immersed themselves in scenes featuring gun-slinging cowboys, a young man selling newspapers, and moody saloon backdrops. Each set was designed to ignite their creativity and help photographers refine their directing skills, resulting in striking images.

Action Camera of Reno organized the workshop and professional photographer/videographer Mike Lucido directed the events. Sony provided camera bodies and lenses, giving photographers the chance to test out their gear and try something new. The Tahoe House Hotel and the Virginia City Outlaw Gun Show graciously provided

their spaces, which were transformed with dramatic lighting to enhance each scene.

All models were local talent, including Liza from the VCTC; Wes, Richard, and Ross of the VC Silent Riders; Gary, Blake, JP, Kyle, and Lee from Virginia City Outlaws. Their patience, professionalism, and flexibility brought authenticity to the experience and kept each station running smoothly. Photographers walked away not only with new skills and renewed confidence, but also with a deeper appreciation for the unique character of Virginia City.





Small Business Mixer at the Odeon

Story by Steph Norby. Photos by Melody Hoover



On Thursday, August 21, the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce turned the historic Odeon into a lively hub of conversation and connection for its latest small business mixer. Local business leaders—including several brand-new Chamber members—lined the room, eager to swap stories, share services and welcome neighbors. Attendees mingled over food and drinks, and even delighted in the appearance of an unexpected guest—Marilyn Monroe herself. The evening was more than just networking; it

was a way to celebrate Dayton's small-town spirit and the entrepreneurs who keep it thriving.

The Chamber will keep the momentum going with Dayton Valley Days in September and other small business events during the year, each affair another chance to connect, collaborate and strengthen our community.

Check out upcoming Chamber events here:
<https://daytonnvchamber.com/events>





Water Main Break Resolved

Chronicle Staff

A water main break at the intersection of D Street and Union Street was successfully turned off earlier this week, according to local authorities. Crews responded promptly to the incident, and no residential areas were impacted.

Two businesses, the Bucket of Blood Saloon and The Lost Seoul Saloon, experienced temporary disruptions due to the break. No boil water order was

issued, and officials confirmed that water main flooding was not a concern, despite storm flash flood advisories that were in effect at the time.

Sand and sandbags were made available at VC Icehouse, located at 110 Toll Road, to assist with any potential runoff concerns. Authorities reported that the situation was fully resolved with no further issues expected.

Friends of Sutro Tunnel receives NV Energy Award

via Friends of Sutro Tunnel

The Friends of Sutro Tunnel Charity received a 2024 Cycle 2 award from the Nevada Energy Foundation in the amount of \$5,000. The Foundation funded the Charity's Youth Historic Restoration Service-Learning Project. The project focuses on restoring the Carriage House carriage door as well as installing a youth-designed and created history overview board on a topic related to Adolph Sutro and the Historic Sutro Tunnel and Site to be displayed in the Carriage House near the entry of the Historic Sutro Tunnel and Site.

The goals of the project include increasing public access to the Carriage House and inspiring young people to become interested in Nevada history through hands-on involvement in a restoration project. The project will conclude with a Celebration to recognize the youth group as well as Nevada Energy Foundation. Through the success of this project, the Charity hopes to involve more youth to be involved in restoration through an ongoing Living History Services Learning program and offer a NV Energy Founda-



Photo by Steph Norby

tion Acknowledgement scholarship for youth to participate.

Through a Scouting America Troop, the Charity recruited a 17-year-old youth to lead the project. As part of the process of earning an Eagle Scout rank, the youth has been working with his troop to finalize details. Upon approval from his council, the youth moves into the implementation phase and leads a group of fellow scouts, alongside a carpenter mentor, to build and install the carriage door based on a design approved by the

Comstock Historic District.

The Friends of Sutro Tunnel Charity looks forward to this project as it involves our local youth in the preservation of their Historic Sutro Tunnel and Site property. Pamela Abercrombie, Sutro grant writer and volunteer lead said "I'm excited about this project because it will inspire youth with an interest in our rich Nevada mining history and expose them to the fun embedded in historic preservation! We are grateful to the NV Energy Foundation for their support of this project."

By involving youth in the Sutro Tunnel Restoration, we are preserving history and building legacy—ensuring that Nevada's mining heritage is not only remembered, but actively lived and protected. Through hands-on experiences, mentorship from skilled volunteers, and opportunities to contribute to real preservation work, young people gain a deep connection to our shared past. They carry forward the skills, pride, and sense of stewardship that will keep the story of the Sutro Tunnel alive for generations to come.



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The Dayton Dispatch



Heather and Josh standing in front of one of their award walls inside Skeleton Skin Tattoo

If you have driven through Mound House and noticed the towering skeleton and black hearse parked on the north side of Hwy 50, then you know Skeleton Skin Tattoo. The eye-catching display is not just a clever marketing move; it is a reflection of the creative, unconventional spirit of shop owners Josh Thornton and Heather Conka-Thornton, who have been making their mark on our community and the tattoo world for more than 15 years.

The couple's path into tattooing wasn't exactly planned.

"I tattooed a handful in high school and [screwed them] all up then quit 'cuz I didn't know what I was doing," Josh admitted with a laugh.

Heather, on the other hand, was deeply involved in the local art scene. She was experienced in creating wood-burned and mixed media pieces, winning awards at the Brewery Arts Center. A friend from L.A. recognized their artistic potential and flew out to get them started with a crash-course apprenticeship in 2007.

"We just tattooed 24/7 for that entire time," Josh recalled.

It did not take long for their talents to be recognized. Within their first two years, they entered into a contest "just for funzies" at their very first tattoo convention and walked away with first place.

The duo jumped straight into

running their own shop – they spent the first year in Carson City, but this month marks 15 years of Skeleton Skin Tattoo in Mound House.

"Once we got up here, we realized that we really liked it because, you know, Mound House is weird and so are we. Keep Mound House weird," Josh chuckled.

Two other artists – Erik and Jace – are also part of the Skeleton Skin family. Erik has been with the shop for 13 years and Jace joined them about one year ago.

Inside the shop, Josh and Heather specialize in different styles. Josh leans toward colorful, cartoony tattoos, while Heather has earned national recognition for her realistic portraits. She has also used lights and mirrors to tattoo most of her own ink.

"She's won awards all over the country for portraits and realism," Josh explained. "We've done conventions all over the place."

One of Josh's most memora-

ble projects even landed him in Guinness World Records. In 2020, he was the canvas for 420 black ant tattoos completed by five artists in three hours.

"I have a lot of bug tattoos already, bugs I played with as a kid – pinchers, roly-pollicies," Josh explained. "I always wanted to do an ant trail because I used to play with the plastic ants as a kid, the little crank ones."

The tattoo marathon was timed to coincide with Reno's Zombie Crawl and served as a tribute to Zombie Boy, the heavily tattooed artist who had previously held the record.

When they are not in the shop, the twosome are engaged in disc golf, outdoor activities and other unique hobbies, like ghost hunting (commonplace on the Comstock!). What started as fun with friends turned into regular involvement in paranormal investigations. They have become leads with Northern Nevada Ghost Hunters (NNGH) but also look for opportunities further afield, including Carson Prison and the famously haunted RMS Queen Mary.

"The way I explain ghost hunting, it's like fishing. You can go fishing all day and not catch anything. But once you catch that big one, you're like, 'Oh. I want to do that again,'" Josh said.

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In Loving Memory: Ky Tsesmilles (1989-2025)

The Skeleton Skin family recently lost a dear friend and fellow artist, Kyle "Ky" Tsesmilles. Josh, Heather, and the Skeleton Skin community remember him with love and gratitude.



New Executive Director at the Dayton Chamber

Chronicle Staff

If you've ever wandered into the Community Center during Dayton Valley Days and admired the bustling silent auction and raffle, you've already seen the talent and dedication of our new Executive Director, Cathy Mitchell!

Cathy and her husband Ken moved to Dayton in 2017 after retiring from the City of Riverside, eager to be closer to their sons and families. In 2018, she began working as an executive assistant for Jody Foley at RE/MAX Professionals, and by 2019 she was volunteering with the Dayton Valley Days committee.

Her involvement with the Chamber steadily grew—joining the Chamber Board in 2022 and then serving as Co-Chair for Dayton Valley Days.

"I have really enjoyed being a part of this community," Mitchell shared. "I look forward to bringing business and community together."

Chamber President Chris Pattison expressed his enthusiasm for the Chamber's future, warmly welcoming Cathy to her new role.

Stop by and say hi to Cathy at the Chamber's Small Business Mixer on Thursday, August 21,



Cathy Mitchell

5pm-7pm, at the Odeon (65 Pike St.).

Cathy will be working

alongside Administrative Assistant Erlinda Ibe-Haukohl at the Chamber office inside the Greater Nevada Credit Union, 555 US Highway 50 E., Dayton, NV. For more information, call (775) 246-7909.

Office Hours:

Monday 10am - 2pm

Tuesday & Wednesday 10am - 4pm

Thursday 10am - 4pm

Friday 10am - Noon

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Lyon County Board of County Commissioners Meeting Summary

Chronicle Staff

The Lyon County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) met on Thursday, August 21, 2025 to hear presentations and take action on several significant agenda items. Highlights from the meeting include:

Historic Dayton Depot Restoration Project

The Board heard a presentation from the Dayton Historic Society regarding the reconstruction of the historic Dayton Depot building, which was destroyed from a fire that was set in June 2020. The Society outlined plans to return the structure to its historic characteristics and highlighted the importance of getting the rail depot back on the register of historic buildings. Following the presentation, the Board discussed adding future improvements to the site such as onsite restrooms and fire sprinklers as funding opportunities are available in the future. The Board voted to direct County staff to move

forward with construction on the project.

Lyon County Housing Assessment & Affordability Analysis

The Board of County Commissioners heard a presentation from the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) Nevada Economic Assessment Project's (NEAP) Housing Assessment and Affordability Analysis for Lyon County. This report will inform policy, grant applications, strategic plans, and programmatic solutions as appropriate to address the attainable housing gaps and needs for our residents. The full report is available on the NEAP Rural Housing web page.

Awards & Recognitions

- Commissioners recognized the retirement of the Lyon County Sheriff's Office K-9 Borys for 8 years of service with his dedicated handler Sergeant Wayne Hawley.
- Commissioners presented the

volunteer group, Desert Pigs, with the Good Samaritan Award.

Other Board Actions:

- Park Construction Tax – Approved a request from the City of Yerington to use park construction tax in the amount of \$33,973.01 for improvements for tennis and pickle ball courts on East Goldfield Avenue.
- Tradition Village 2 Subdivision Map – Approved the request submitted by Lucas Homes and Development LLC to amend Condition 20.g of the Tentative Subdivision Map originally approved on May 2, 2019 (PLZ2025-055) to allow infrastructure and housing to begin without delay for Traditions Village 2 Phase 1. Drainage improvements remain required and enforceable prior to the broader build out of the project.

- Pretrial Services Department – Approved reorganizing and renaming the Court Services Department to report to the County Manager or his designee instead of to the Justice Courts and to rename the department Pretrial Services Department.
- Planning Commission – The Board acknowledged the resignation of Ralph N. Ewing from the Planning Commission. Anyone interested in applying for the Planning Commission and other board vacancies can reach out to mtapia@lyon-county.org. Applications for the Planning Commission are available on the Lyon County website.

The complete and back up materials are posted online at www.lyon-county.org/Agendacenter. Residents can view recordings of Board of County Commission meetings on the Lyon County YouTube Channel.

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Duly Appointed Trustee: **Sables LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company**

Recorded **8/27/2010, as Instrument No. 0113728, and amended by Scrivener's Affidavit recorded June 16, 2011 as Document No. 115217**, Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Storey County, Nevada, Described as follows:

PARCEL 1:

LOT 144 OF RAINBOW BEND SUBDIVISION, (A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) ACCORDING TO THE MAP THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF STOREY COUNTY, STATE OF NEVADA, ON NOVEMBER 6, 1992 UNDER FILE NO. 70473.

PARCEL 2:

AN UNDIVIDED INTEREST IN THE COMMON AREA AS DEFINED AND DELINEATED IN THE DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR RAINBOW BEND RECORDED DECEMBER 17, 1992, UNDER FILE NO. 70661.

TOGETHER WITH A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR USE AND ENJOYMENT IN, TO AND THROUGHOUT THE COMMON AREA AND FOR INGRESS, EGRESS AND SUPPORT OVER AND THROUGH THE COMMON AREA.

Date of Sale: **9/16/2025 at 10:00 AM**

Place of Sale: **At the main entrance to the Storey County Courthouse, located at 26 South B Street, Virginia City, NV 89440**

Estimated Sale Amount: **\$56,434.56**

Street Address or other common designation of real property:
**144 CERCLE DE LA CERESSE
SPARKS, NEVADA 89434**

A.P.N. No.: **003-533-12**

The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale.

Date: **8/13/2025**

**Sables LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company
c/o ZBS Law, LLP**

**9435 West Russell Road, Suite 120
Las Vegas, NV 89148**

Phone: (702) 948-8565

Sale Information: 1-866-539-4173

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Ryan Bradford, Trustee Sale Officer

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State of **CALIFORNIA**

County of **ORANGE**

On 8/13/2025, before me, M. Cesena Notary Public, personally appeared Ryan Bradford who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

M. Cesena

Signature of Notary
EPP 44819

Pub Dates 08/22, 08/29, 09/05/2025

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T.S. No.: 2025-14724-NV APN: 003-554-07

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/4/2020. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

On **9/9/2025 at 10:00 AM**, at **At the front steps of the main entrance to the Storey County Courthouse, 26 South "B" Street, Virginia City, NV 89440, Nestor Solutions, LLC**, the duly appointed substituted Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the property described herein under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust dated **9/4/2020**, executed by **JOSE DE JESUS CAMPOS JR AND HALEE RENEE BELKNAP, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS**, as trustor to secure obligations in favor of **Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Beneficiary, as nominee for FINANCE OF AMERICA MORTGAGE LLC, its successors and assigns**, as original Beneficiary, recorded on **9/18/2020** as Instrument No. **132525** in book --, page -- of Official Records in the Office of the County Recorder of **Storey** County, Nevada. Said property is commonly known as **387 RUE DE LA ROUGE SPARKS, NV 89434**. The estimated sale amount is **\$259,480.89**.

The property described herein is being sold "as is." The Beneficiary is unable to validate the condition, defects or disclosure issues of said property and the purchaser at the sale waives the disclosure requirements under NRS 113.130 by purchasing at this sale. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated above. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. The present Beneficiary may elect to bid less than the total amount due.

The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address

or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the Beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, or the Beneficiary's Agents.

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Date: 08/04/2025

Nestor Solutions, LLC
Huntington Beach, California 92648
Phone: (888) 403-4115
Sale Line: (800) 758-8052

Amanda Piper, Customer Care Administrator

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State of CALIFORNIA
County of ORANGE

On 08/04/2025, before me, Stella Marie Ziegler, Notary Public, personally appeared Amanda Piper who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Stella Marie Ziegler
Signature of Notary
EPP 44772

Pub Dates: 08/15/2025, 08/22/2025, 08/29/2025

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APPLICATION FOR WATER NO. 94455

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on the 11th day of June 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 22.50 acre feet, a portion of water heretofore appropriated under Claim 3 of the Truckee River Orr Ditch Decree. Water will be diverted from the Truckee River at a point of non-diversion located within Derby Dam being within the N1/2 SW1/4, Section 19, T20N, R23E, MDB&M. Water will be used for wildlife, including instream flows for fish (cui-ui and Lahontan cutthroat trout) purposes as decreed. Water was used as decreed.

Adam Sullivan, P.E.
State Engineer

AS/mh

Date of first publication: 8/22/2025

Date of last publication: 9/12/2025

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ACTION**NOTICE OF STATUTE REGARDING PRE-STATUTORY CLAIMS OF VESTED RIGHT, NEVADA**

Senate Bill 270 of the 79th Session (2017) Legislature was approved by Governor Sandoval on June 9, 2017. Pursuant to Section 1 of the bill, any claimant of a pre-statutory water right must submit proof of the water use to the State Engineer on or before December 31, 2027. If a claimant fails to submit such proof by that deadline, the claim is deemed abandoned. Forms for filing Proofs of Appropriation of Water may be obtained at <http://water.nv.gov> or by contacting the Nevada Division of Water Resources.

ADAM SULLIVAN, P.E.
STATE ENGINEER

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Page 14 Sudoku Answer

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Page 15 Crossword Answer

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Storey County Sheriff's Detention Parking Lot

Earlier this week, a male subject pulled a red Chevrolet pickup into the Storey County Detention Facility parking lot. This subject told detention deputies the truck had broken down and a tow truck was on the way. Fast forward to a few days later, August 24, 2025, oddly the truck was still parked in the detention facility parking lot. No sign of the subject.

As the vehicle appeared to now be abandoned on county property, deputies requested a tow truck. Shockingly, the vehicle was unlocked. While conducting a tow inventory, a firearm, drug paraphernalia, and a white powdery substance in a small baggie were discovered inside the truck. Perhaps the

most shocking of all, the subject returned to the jail with a friend in an attempt to tow the truck themselves. Unfortunately for the subject, he was quickly detained and placed under arrest for possession of a controlled substance. During a search of his person, three more baggies of a white powdery substance were located. The subject was walked across the parking lot to the detention facility, where he was booked on possession of a schedule 1 controlled substance, less than 14g and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Moral of this story, do not bring illegal substances into Storey County, and most certainly not to our detention facility parking lot!

SKELETON SKIN, from page 9

The couple's creativity does not stop with tattooing or ghost hunting. Their shop houses a captivating oddities gallery filled with unusual items, many donated by friends and clients.

"We want stuff that people look at that intrigues and open their mind and think about stuff, instead of the traditional flash on the walls tattoo shop," Josh clarified.

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Sudoku Answer on Page 13

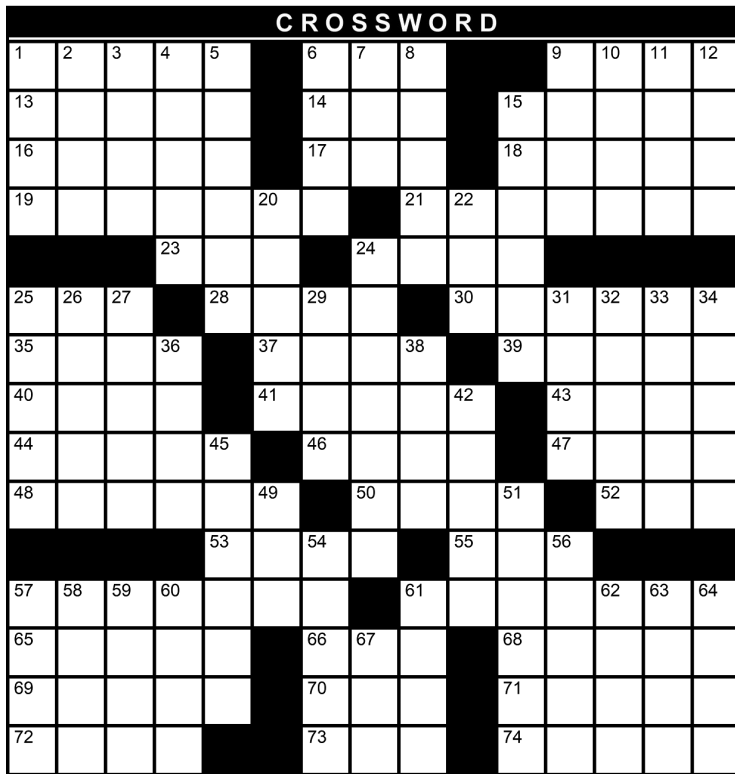
Skeleton Skin Tattoo is also very community-minded. They regularly participate in fundraisers and events in Carson City, Dayton and Virginia City. You will find them at events like Pig Fest and Dayton Valley Days, representing their own shop as well as the other organizations they support.

Even their family life intertwines with the shop. Their son, now 19, started tattooing as a teenager and continues to learn under their guidance. During the 2020 shutdown, they brought equipment home and immersed him in an intense apprenticeship.

"We just hovered over his shoulders for three months and told him, 'you're not gonna get this close and personal of an apprenticeship when we open again,'" Heather laughed.

Skeleton Skin Tattoo has become more than a tattoo shop—it is a reflection of the team's creativity, quirks and fun spirits. With their mix of tattoos, collections and ghost-hunting adventures, they have carved out a space as unique as Mound House itself.

Check out www.skeletonskintattoo.com for information and artist portfolios.



THEME: MEET ME IN...

ACROSS

1. Manual calculator, pl.
6. Beach Boys: "___ Only Knows"
9. Army beds
13. Pressed ham and cheese sandwich
14. Part of spch
15. Popular Latin dance
16. Influencer's creation
17. Hula dancer's flowers
18. Birdlike
19. "Meet me here, under the arch
21. "Meet me at the Top of the Rock
23. Comic book expression for alarm
24. Press backward arrow key
25. "Hand" with claws
28. Spreadsheet software command
30. Day off, backwards
35. Bug-eyed
37. "Cheers" regular
39. Coupe alternative
40. Be dependent
41. Damage one's reputation
43. Slightly (2 words)
44. Prefix for below
46. Shade of beige
47. Java neighbor
48. War mounts
50. Rope fiber
52. "___ Now or Never"
53. Leave at the altar
55. Flapper's feathers
57. "Meet me at the London Bridge
61. "The Black Eyed Peas: "Meet Me ___"
65. "Meet me in ___ Mara, Kenya
66. Undergarment
68. "Meet me in Australia to see this bear
69. Done to printer cartridge
70. Corn unit
71. Poet W. H. ___ of "Funeral Blues" fame
72. Infamous Nazi villain
73. Strong solution of sodium
74. Like gelled hair

DOWN

1. Parts of a play
2. Actor Reynolds of "Smokey and the Bandit"
3. Cain's victim
4. Paddler's vessel
5. Endows or empowers
6. "Buffalo ___, won't you come out tonight..."
7. Keats' poem
8. Jinn or genie
9. Guinea pig or capybara
10. Mixture
11. Russian monarch
12. What Titanic did
15. Went to bid farewell (2 words)
20. "Meet me in Orthodox church to see these
22. "Meet me in Tokyo, pre-1968
24. "Meet me in the largest city in Netherlands
25. "Meet me under the Eiffel Tower
26. Real estate broker, e.g.
27. "The Bonfire of the Vanities" author Tom ___
29. "Meet me by the Trevi Fountain
31. Adipose tissue
32. "Meet me at the Burj Khalifa
33. Like the Tower of Pisa
34. Bigfoot's cousins
36. Swirling vortex
38. Filly's mother
42. Popular Cuban dance
45. Be next to, as in rooms
49. Fall from grace
51. The Kenosha Kickers' songs
54. Sticker on a jar
56. Run ___ of the law
57. Same as ayah
58. Respiratory rattling
59. Osiris' sister and wife
60. Opposite of zigs
61. Tortoise's opponent
62. Do like fly fishermen
63. Sheltered, nautically
64. Pull
67. Everybody loved him on TV

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Lewis & Minor

by Matt Weidmann



Community Rallies to Restore Silver Terrace Cemetery After Vandalism

Chronicle Staff - Photo via Comstock Cemetery Foundation

After vandals caused an estimated \$35,000 in damage to the historic Silver Terrace Cemetery on July 25, 2025, the Comstock Cemetery Foundation has led a heartfelt community effort to repair and restore the sacred site. The vandalism, which targeted multiple headstones and graves, left the Virginia City community shaken but determined to preserve its heritage.

Significant progress has been made, thanks to an outpouring of support from local residents and volunteers. Major repairs to the damaged headstones and gravesites are underway, though the Foundation notes that much fine-tuning and research on individual gravesites remain.

The Comstock Cemetery Foundation expressed deep gratitude for the community's response, particularly highlighting the contributions of Jim Collins and Bob Thomasson. Their donation of equipment, time, expertise, and patience has been instrumental in the restoration process. The Foundation encourages residents to personally thank both men if they are seen around town.

The full list of volunteers is: Jim Collins, Bob Thomasson,



Volunteers work to restore damage to historic cemetery.

Photo via Comstock Cemetery Foundation

Tracy Caraway, Ruth Small, Lori McCaskill, Becky Nixon, Bill Nixon, Wendy Bendickson, Jim Davis, Art Verling, Claude Sendon, Mike Greene and Jim Wetzel.

Volunteers have been a cornerstone of the recovery effort, with

a notable turnout during a recent work session described as "incredible" by Foundation organizers. Their dedication underscores the strong community spirit in Virginia City, as residents come together to protect a cherished piece of local history.

The Foundation continues to welcome support as they work to complete the restoration. For more information on how to contribute, visit the Comstock Cemetery Foundation's website or contact their office directly.

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