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Notes From The CABIN IN THE SKY

by Asa Gilmore

I'm excited to see that the Dayton Depot is making progress in the efforts to rebuild. For Gold Rush era towns, the loss of historic buildings to fire is an all too familiar story, but Dayton has had more than its fair share. We are sadly unique in the loss of so much to arson, and the events of last weekend in the hills above Dayton show that the community has work ahead.

Meanwhile, in Gold Hill I have found a new motivation for the weekly newspaper deadlines: cannon fire. The hills echoed with gunshot interspersed with larger explosions and the occasional train whistle for Virginia City's Civil War Days, and I found it quite invigorating. However, at least one resident of Gold Hill did not. Vocal local Rusty Shackleford made it clear



*Rusty Shackleford is firmly
against the Civil War.
Photo by Asa Gilmore*

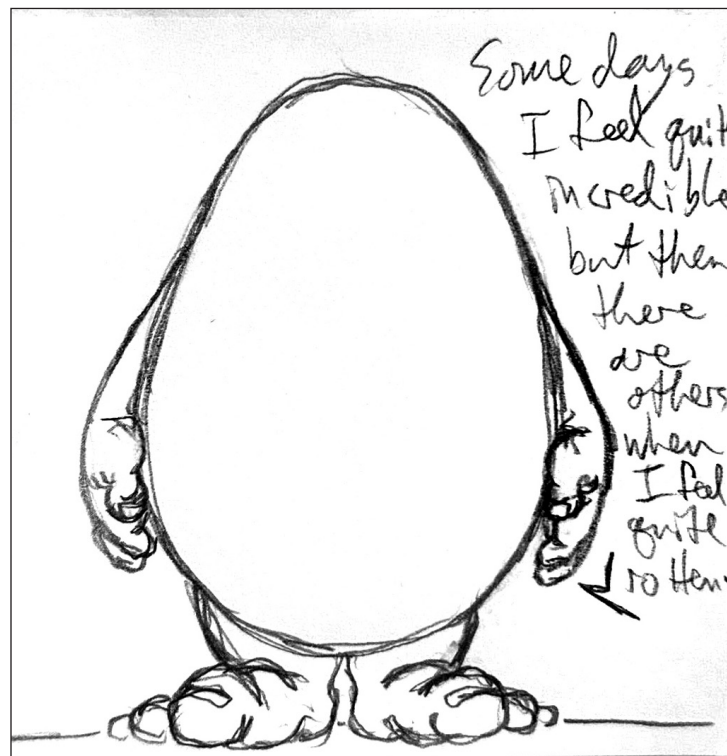
to me that he is NOT a fan of the Civil War. He cares not for the blue or the grey, sees nothing civil about it, thinks it's even worse than summer thunderstorms, and simply wishes for the noise to stop so he can go back to barking at the

next delivery man. Luckily for him, we seem to have moved on from Civil War days and back to normalcy, whatever that might be. Rusty is relieved.

Whether cannons or dynamite or mine hoists or water pumps, the Comstock in the 1800s was a noisy place. People have a tendency to idolize the past, but peace and quiet is wherever you can find it, and nostalgia isn't what it used to be.

This morning, looking out from the Cabin in the Sky, it's peaceful. I get to watch the stars fade into dawn, and embrace the day with gratitude. It's time to go to print.

Signing off,
AG



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Myrtle Huddleston

PINE NUTS

by McAvoy Layne
The Ghost of Mark Twain

The first person to swim across Lake Tahoe was a woman, naturally, Myrtle Huddleston. Yes, Myrtle accomplished this feat in 1931, the same year we legalized gambling in Nevada, and there were more than a few bets placed on Myrtle to not make it...

But Myrtle did make it. She swam from Glenbrook to Tahoe City, twelve miles, without a wetsuit. It took her 23 hours. And what was amazing about her marathon crossing was that during the night she got separated from her escort boat. So there she was, in the middle

of Lake Tahoe, in the middle of the night...alone. Not since Jonah found himself inside that big fish has anybody felt quite so alone, I can only imagine...

At dawn they spotted her, and on that escort boat was her son, her 12-year-old son, and when he saw his mother he shouted out to her, "Ma, you can make it!"

Well, those were the last words in the world Myrtle Huddleston wanted to hear right then, but she did it. She put her head down, swam on, and she made it. They carried her up to the Tahoe Tavern on



Myrtle Huddleston. Photo submitted by McAvoy Layne

a gurney. Myrtle lost 12 pounds in the crossing. So if ever you want to lose twelve pounds in one day, there it is, The Myrtle Huddleston Weight Loss Plan, guaranteed to work every time. But try not to get lost in the night, it's such a worry to everybody...

Personally, I have great admiration for Myrtle's accomplishment, for I swam two miles in a leaky wetsuit held together with Duct Tape before I was ordered out of Lake Tahoe by a lifeguard during The World's Toughest Triathlon.

Just before I was instructed to, "Follow me!" I could see my grandmother's face on the bottom of the lake, and she had been gone from this earthly realm for ten years. Next, I remember shaking like a Trembling Aspen in front of a humongous heater inside a First Aid Tent, trying to thaw out.

When I asked, "Can I go now?" I was told by a medical practitioner, "You were white

when you came in here, you're purple now, we'll let you go when you're red."

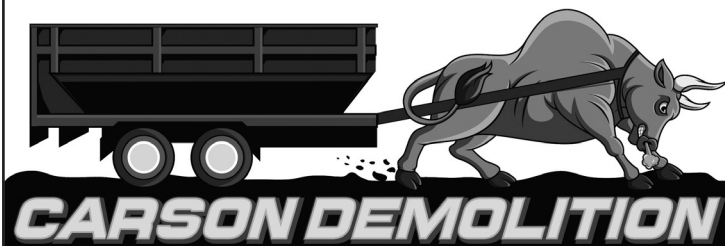
For a year after that embarrassing falling-out, I was greeted in various Tahoe taverns with this question, "Does anybody know the difference between McAvoy and the Titanic?"

"Yeah, the Titanic had a band!"

More recently, this summer, August of 2025, a hearty 55-year-old man, Alex Kostich, became the fastest person to swim the width of Tahoe when he swam from Homewood, Calif. to Glenbrook, Nev. in four hours, 28 minutes and 55 seconds. Should I happen to run into Alex here at the North Shore of Lake Tahoe, I shall buy him an adult beverage of his choice and carry him around Incline Center twice on my shoulders. Then the two of us can hoist one on high to the greatest long-distance swimmer of all time, Myrtle Huddleston...

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King's Corner

by Jeff Headley

Traveling by air from South Australia to Reno usually takes around a full day if you make all your connections, longer if you don't. This became an annual ritual as I lived down under while my dad, Mark King, and step-mom Luanne lived here. Then came COVID-19 and instead of several flights daily there was just one, and you could only board with special permission from the tightly-locked-island-continent's government. Never did distance seem so vast.

Yet at the bottom of the world life went on as normal. I started a new job on a six month contract that promised to extend into long term employment. I tackled a major challenge, designing the move of the state electricity provider's systems and data into a newly-configured version of "the cloud", that vague phrase that describes an oversized cluster of computers almost no one will ever actually see. Life amid the distant crisis was going well, with a promising future.

Work took me out for a meal, a celebration of the challenging phase we'd just finished weeks ahead of the deadline that no one thought was even achievable. They let me know how much they appreciated my work, but someone else would be carrying that project forward. I was suddenly done, and a month early.

God, what just happened? All my plans had just been turned upside-down. It seemed very unfair. Yet life is often not fair.

Each of us could tell stories of life taking unforeseen turns, sometimes taking a terrible toll.

What do you do when God says "No"?

I would suggest that the first thing you do is this: You recognize that God saying "No" is just as much a demonstration of his love as his saying "Yes."

There was a time when I worked with difficult boys. They were as different as day and night. But there was one common factor that seemed to appear in them all. And while they were not sophisticated enough to grasp this being so, this was very obvious to one looking at it objectively.

They all said that they had not been loved by their parents. And they all advanced - as the illustration of that lovelessness - the fact that their parents never disciplined them. Never said "No" to them. It would come out like this:

"My parents didn't care about me. They didn't care when I came in at night."

"My parents didn't care about me. They didn't care what I ate, or whether I ate or not."

Expressions, you see, of lack of discipline. You know how it is if you have a dog that you don't care anything about at all, you'll let that dog run where it wants to run, eat what it wants to eat - you'll take no care of that dog. But if you really are concerned for the dog, you discipline it. You train it. You do the things which are necessary to make that

dog into everything which that dog has the capability of being. Your "No"s to that dog are just as much expressions of caring as your "Yes"s.

Any parent understands that in the moment when he or she says "No" to a child, they might be demonstrating a deeper love than any number of "Yes"s they might utter. And it's important that we grasp that when we're talking about the "No"s of God.

Now here's another thing to remember: God says "No" because he has a better idea.

In Nevada my dad had an accident the year before where he lost most of his sight. My step-mom was fighting cancer and was about to have a risky operation. Over the distance I could offer concern and consolation, but little more during the worldwide lockdown. Then from the hospital I received the news she had not survived the operation. Suddenly dad was on his own, and needed help.

And that job I'd been so heavily committed to had just suddenly - unexpectedly - finished three days before. I was available.

"He never closes a door with-

out opening a window."

It was Helen Keller who said that. She was blind, and she was deaf, and she was dumb. Now none of us have ever heard the "No"s of God like that. But it was Helen Keller who said,

"He never closes a door without opening a window"

In Australia during the COVID crisis no one could enter or leave without government permission, granted for only extraordinary reasons. But they were responsive to my story of my dad's plight, and a few days later I had a ticket on the only flight out.

My dad and I then had the best year-and-a-half of our lives together, a precious and often hilarious time when he finished out his 96 years actively, until one night he kept sleeping. A time I might have missed if God hadn't closed a door but opened a window.

I can sum it in a single sentence, but it's taken me my whole life to learn the sentence: Some of the loveliest things God has ever said to me began with the words, "My beloved child, No."

When God Says "No"

Missions Team in Mexico - Report

Sunday, Sept. 7, 2025

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



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Church of the Nazarene

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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 - Arnold Mitchem
of the Bourgeois Gypsies

Saturday 7 pm - Nevada Highway
Band

Wednesday 7 pm - 10 pm
Open Mic

Bonanza Cantina and Bar

Friday 7 pm Live Music

Saturday 12 pm - 4 pm
Pretty Ugly

Ponderosa Saloon

Friday 8 pm - 12 am Karaoke

Saturday 8 pm - Live Music

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

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

Sheriff's Night Out

Tuesday, Sept 9, 5 pm - 8 pm,
Miner's Park, Virginia City

International Camel & Ostrich Races

Hot Camel Nights - a special
Friday, Sept 5 evening
performance at 5 pm

Saturday, Sept 6, two shows -
10 am and 2 pm

Saturday's Camel Hump to
C Street - 12:30 - 1:30 pm

Sunday Family Day - 12 pm
show, first 100 kids ride a camel
for free

Details and Tickets:
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Piper's Opera House

Black Irish Band, Sept 13, 7 pm.
Tickets at: eventbrite.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 - NV BUILDERS ALLIANCE MEAT & GREET' BBQ

The NV Builders Alliance
returns to the Sutro Tunnel &
Historic Site for an afternoon of
barbecue, live music, whiskey
tasting & more on Thursday,
Sept 11, 2 pm - 6 pm. Tickets are
\$15.00 per person.

Comstock Foundation for History and Culture and Northern Nevada Ghost Hunter

Last Haunted Donovan Tour of
the Season

900 Main St, Silver City
Sept 6, 7 pm, \$45.00 per person.
Tickets at: comstockfoundation.
org

Odeon Saloon

Thursday 6 pm,
Line Dancing Classes

Red Dog Gets New Paint

Story and Photo by Melody Hoover



The beloved Historic Red Dog Saloon in Virginia City is looking better than ever with a fresh, vibrant paint job on its iconic sign! It's exciting to see this treasured landmark receive such a delightful facelift, thanks to the talented work of Derek McDonald of Golden West Signs and Paige Gomez.

Silver Stage Booster Car Show

Story and Photo by Melody Hoover



Vintage Corvette

Silver Stage High School Nighthawks Booster Club is hosting their 21st Annual Classic Car & Truck Show 'n' Shine on Saturday, Sept. 13, 2025, at Silver Stage High School. 3755 W. Spruce Ave. Silver Springs, NV.

Registration is 8 am - 9:30 am

Judging 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Awards Ceremony at 12 pm.
They will have 15 trophy classes
with first, second & third places.

For more information and to
enter, please contact:

Joy Hanssen (775) 220-7422 or
Dee Connolly (530) 409-9412

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

Firehouse Saloon Celebrates Two Year Anniversary

Story and Photos by Melody Hoover



Peter checking on the progress of dinner

The Firehouse Saloon in Virginia City threw an awesome party this past Saturday, Aug. 30 to celebrate its second anniversary! Everyone had a blast with a cornhole tournament and a community potluck, complementing the delicious pig smoked on a pit barbecue, for dinner. Live music by Cat and Dagger kept everyone dancing throughout the night. What a fun way to celebrate! Local and visitors alike had a wonderful time.



BBQ and Cornhole Tournament

Nevada Builders Alliance Hosts Third Annual 'Meat and Drink' at the Sutro Tunnel

Chronicle Staff. Photo by Melody Hoover

The state's largest construction and building trade association announces its third annual 'Meat and Drink' event hosted at the Sutro Tunnel on Thursday, Sept. 11 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. The event will feature food from Carson City BBQ, whiskey tastings, music from Carson Chandler, Sutro Tunnel trivia, games and more. This event is open to the community and tickets are \$15. Visit the Nevada Builders Alliance site here to purchase yours.

"Our annual event at Sutro Tunnel has proven to be one of our most unique events that both our members and the community look forward to," said Stacey Rich, director of operations for Nevada Builders Alliance. "This year, we're excited to add more games and food and drink options, like Battle Born Beer and gelato pops from DipDee Stix. This location is also special to Nevada Builders Alliance as we have several members working on the restoration of this historic site."

The event allows the public to see the updates made to the



Sutro Tunnel Visitors

site since 2023 and the progress inside the tunnel by Simerson Construction, all while enjoying live music from Carson Chandler and large lawn games. There will be self-guided tours around Sutro, as well as a fundraising chipping contest in the newly refurbished pond with donations going towards the Nevada Builders Foundation. Admission to the event includes dinner by Carson City BBQ, a beverage and free whiskey tastings in the tunnel. The Nevada Builders Foundation is serving a Karma Sutro Pale Ale by the Fox Brewery from their beer truck and

DipDee Stix will be there with a variety of gelato pops available for purchase.

This event is made possible by generous sponsors and partners, including the Nevada Builders Foundation, Carson City BBQ, Metcalf Builders, Jim Gray Country Financial, Battle Born Beer and Fox Brewery. Sponsorship opportunities are still available. To donate or become a sponsor, please email membership@nevadabuilders.org. Additionally, Friends of Sutro Tunnel charity will have an exciting announcement during the event around their plans for

the future of the location.

About Nevada Builders

The Nevada Builders Alliance (Nevada Builders) is the driving force behind Nevada's booming construction industry. Since its inception, Nevada Builders has been creating a positive business environment for their member companies and communities in order to build a better, stronger Nevada. As the state's largest professional organization representing the construction industry and affiliated sectors, Nevada Builders supports tens of thousands of hard-working Nevadans in every corner of the state. Nevada Builders dynamic team of industry experts work hard to promote and protect the interests of the rapidly growing industry, leading Nevada Builders Alliance to become the voice of the construction sector. For more information visit nevadabuilders.org.

About Friends of Sutro Tunnel Charity

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The Lyon County Commissioners unanimously approved the reconstruction of the Dayton Depot. On August 21, during the Lyon County Board of Commissioners meeting in Yerington, the board voted 5-0 to move forward with rebuilding the historic 1881 Carson and Colorado Railroad Dayton Depot and to sign the contract with the winning bidder. Dayton residents welcomed the decision.

Originally moved from Mound House to Dayton's Railroad Street in 1881, the Depot was later relocated to a vacant lot at the corner of US 50 and Main Street, where it was remodeled into a residence around 1955. Over time, owners Chester and Helen Barton, along with members of the Historical Society of Dayton Valley (HSDV), recognized its significance to Nevada's railroading history and worked to preserve it. Tennant Construction and Marty Banta Construction used house-mov-

Dayton Depot Rebuild Moves Forward

Story and Photos by Laura Tennant



Stony Tennant picking through rubble after fire

ing equipment to relocate the Depot, and volunteers diligently restored it to near completion—until an arsonist set it ablaze.

Speaking for the HSDV at

the Commissioners' meeting, Stony Tennant, a longtime local contractor and historian who dedicated countless hours to the Depot's reconstruction, explained that fire insurance would cover the rebuilding costs. Once completed, the HSDV could pursue grants for additional features. Tennant emphasized the importance of restoring the Depot to its original 1881 appearance and noted that it would not be fully operational until restrooms, electricity, and fire suppression systems are installed. He thanked John Crowley and Dr. Linda Clements for their committee work in advancing the project.

Lyon County Commissioner John Cassinelli expressed enthusiasm for the reconstruction, stating, "I look forward to rebuilding the Dayton Depot

and securing its place on the National Register of Historic Places. The Carson & Colorado Railroad Depot is a vital part of Dayton's and the region's history. As we develop this area into a historical tourism destination—alongside sites like the Sutro Tunnel and Donovan Mill—the Depot holds great potential as a starting point for self-guided tours and future site improvements, including parking and restrooms. Some have raised concerns about the lack of fire sprinklers, which I understand, but the building is only 20' x 60' (1,200 sq. ft.). Commercial fire sprinklers are typically required for structures over 5,000 sq. ft. The Depot will be a simple, square-set timber warehouse-like structure, used to store historic artifacts and serve as a satellite museum."



Dayton Depot burning

MEAT & DRINK, con't from page 6

The Friends of Sutro Tunnel Charity is a 501(c)(3) founded in 2020 with the mission to preserve and protect the historical significance of the Sutro Tunnel and Site for local community

members, visitors and future generations. The project is completely funded by donations, tours and special events. Located in Dayton, Nev., visitors can take a tour to see the original

warehouse, tunnel portal, candle house, wood shop, carriage house, Victorian, mule barn, and the recently restored machine shop museum. To schedule a tour, donate to the project or

volunteer with Friends of Sutro Tunnel Charity, visit www.thesutrotunnel.org. Follow Friends of Sutro Tunnel Charity on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube.



Photo via Good Nuff Stuff

Main Street Will Roar to Life During Dayton Valley Days Show-n-Shine

Story by Steph Norby

One of the biggest highlights of Dayton Valley Days each year is the Show-n-Shine, where polished chrome, rumbling engines, and proud owners line Main Street in Old Town Dayton to show off their rides. This year's show on Saturday, Sept 20, is shaping up to be one of the biggest and most inclusive yet, thanks to a new partnership between the Good Nuff Stuff Car Club and title sponsor NPC Automotive.

Ray Ramirez, president of Good Nuff Stuff, has been leading the club's efforts to keep the Show-n-Shine one of the area's most anticipated events as well as build a like-minded community of car and motorcycling enthusiasts.

"We're not unique to one style vehicle, we like them all – hot rods, low riders, pristines and trailer queens alongside rust buckets," Ramirez chuckled. "We're car guys so at the end of the day, if it runs by an engine, we're happy."

That open-door spirit is why NPC Automotive decided to jump in as the 2025 Show-n-Shine title sponsor.

"We were excited to hear about their vision for things, which is really a family atmosphere and make sure everybody feels welcome—any make/model, any condition of the vehicle," said Nick Bircheff from NPC Automotive. "We actually have a category this year for most rust on a vehicle. We really want to make this an all-inclusive event for everybody so that they all feel like they can bring whatever they own and wanna show off."

For NPC Automotive, sponsoring the Show-n-Shine also connects directly to their role in the region's automotive scene.

"We want to be Dayton and Lyon County's – also Storey County – go-to for aftermarket and modification work," Bircheff stated. "We want people to think of us when they think of anything associated with Dayton and cars."

Car owners are encouraged to register ahead of time to guarantee a spot. Event day participant parking begins at 7 am, show starts at 9 am. This year, there are 15 award categories – including two choice awards and the rest voted on by a Good Nuff Stuff committee – trophies will be presented at 2 pm.

The Cherrybomb Betties and Good Nuff Dolls will also be at the show, taking photos with cars and attendees. The

Cherrybomb Betties Tiki Pinup Contest is scheduled for 12pm. Whether you're showing a car or just coming to enjoy the view, you'll be part of a tradition that celebrates horsepower, history, and hometown pride.

"It's just about giving back to the community and being a part of the community," Bircheff said. "We want to encourage people to come out and support local business more than anything. Coming to the car show and being part of the show supports us and also supports the hundreds of other vendors that are going to be there."

Visit www.daytonnvchamber.com/event-6170552 to register or call 775-246-7909 for more info.



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The Dayton Dispatch



Dayton Pack and Post

Story and Photos by Steph Norby

Owner Hazel Koch and employee Barbara on Dayton Pack and Post opening day

The Dayton area is growing before our eyes. With hundreds of homes and new shops planned for the coming years, current business owners would be wise to start planning for increased foot traffic. Hazel and Shane Koch recognized that change is coming and decided to create a new business that would fill a void and help their neighbors. Dayton Pack and Post officially opened its doors last Friday, Aug. 29 at 9 Retail Rd. #6, near Smith's.

The idea for the business was born not in a boardroom or during a market analysis but right in the Koch's living room last Christmas.

"My husband has a lot of business at Christmas time, it's always a busy time of year for us," Hazel explained. "We have about 50 clients that we send care packages so for packaging, my whole living room is a mess."

The duo also noted that anytime they had to ship through UPS, FedEx, DHL and Amazon, they were having to trek into Carson City to handle it. With Shane's attention to detail, their experience in customer service and our growing community needing reliable shipping methods, the Kochs knew they could serve Dayton in a bigger way.

"So I told him, 'You know what? We should turn your knack of careful organization and customer care into a business.' So that's really when Dayton Pack and Post started," Hazel remembered.

By April 2025, the Kochs were signing their first lease. Less than a year after the initial idea, the couple is now welcoming customers into their storefront. And they have accomplished this while working full time jobs.

Dayton Pack and Post will offer FedEx services starting Sept. 5 and is in the process of finalizing contracts with UPS and DHL. They will also be able to accept Amazon returns with labels in the near future, but for now, their partners at Louie's Ace Home Center in Dayton is still accepting Amazon returns. Note: If your returns require a QR code, you will still need to take those packages to UPS.

"It's coming together, but there's still some tweaking that needs to be done," Hazel said.

The business is not just about shipping. Dayton Pack and Post is designed to be a one-stop resource for the community. They have more than 750 mailboxes for rent, eco-friendly packing materials, supplies, stamps, greeting cards, computer rental and basic printing, plus Hazel plans to offer notary services soon.

"My goal is to offer more personalized service for locals... hopefully a welcoming storefront and focus on community connections and community service," Hazel clarified. "We envisioned a store that not only ships packages but builds trust, making every customer feel like a priority because they are."

For September, the business is rolling out an introductory promotion.

"All new customers are going to have a lifetime discount \$25 off their annual mailbox rental. That also comes with free copies, free notary, free faxing...I can also save their packages, especially when they're on vacation for a week," Hazel said.

Mailboxes can be rented for three, six, or twelve months, with the best value at the yearly rate. Hazel also hopes to expand into virtual mailbox services in the future.

The store is a true family-powered business – the couple's three kids will be pitching in to cover shifts until they are able to hire a few more people to assist the two employees they currently have helping them hit the ground running.

From a spark of inspiration during a hectic holiday season to a grand opening less than a year later, Dayton Pack and Post represents the determination of a family who saw a need in their community and decided to fill it.

As Hazel summed it up, "We are ready to act, driven by God's grace and driven by a belief that a business built on care, reliability, and hard work can flourish."

Dayton Pack and Post will be open Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.-4 p.m., closed on Sunday.



The Camel Barn on Pike Street in Dayton - A Treasured Nevada Landmark

Story by Laura Tennant. Photo by Steph Norby

Believe it or not, once again, visitors from all walks of life and places are heading for Virginia City to see the 66th annual Camel races that now includes ostriches. For Daytonites and other Nevada historians, it's also a time when Dayton played a role in this unique phenomenon of bringing camels to active mining and milling at Nevada or Sacramento sites that dates to the mid-1850s into the 1860s.

Camels were first imported to the United States for military purposes in the mid 1850s, when Lt. Edward Beal, with the US Army, evaluated the animals for possible caravan operations in the southwest deserts. The experiment was not successful and the camels were auctioned off. Some were brought into this area to haul wood from nearby mountains or salt from the flats east of Fallon to the mines and mills of the Comstock, including

Virginia City.

Since Dayton's Pike Street was located on the original California Trail, and those in charge of moving the camels to Virginia City, or even to Sacramento, often needed a place to feed and bed the animals, the camels were often corralled behind a large stone building, known as the Leslie Hay Barn built in 1861 by George Leslie and in later years and today as 'Leslie's Camel Barn.' This historic barn remains today on Pike Street along with the Nevada State historical marker, 'number 199,' thanks to the pioneer Leslie family who settled, built the barn and adjacent corrals, including the substantial rock barn and a smaller barn made with wood also existed. This barn was torn down in the 1960s.

Lillie Ann Leslie has written a little history of the family's first arrival to Dayton from Salt

Lake City, noting the Leslie's, her father, George and mother, Ann Howard Leslie, traveled on a wagon train in 1861 when she was six years old. One of her memories include being visited by a group of friendly Indians. Evidently, the Chief was bewitched by her charm and beauty and 'a wealth of auburn hair' and he also offered a great many ponies for her." She noted that the wood industry was essential for operating the mills since steam was the power source then.

Lillie Ann said, "In 1861, George Leslie, my husband's grandfather, built the stone barn, which still stands, along with extensive corrals. The stone used for constructing the barn was taken from a quarry owned by him. The quarry was situated near the Rock Point Mill. The stalls were added later and the corrals were filled every night.

The great freight wagons were an interesting sight. The camel trains were a delight to young and old alike. The camels could carry large loads of salt that was used in the reduction of the ores. There were always several camels in a lead caravan wearing bells. The drivers were turbaned Arabs. The bells could be heard from a great distance and upon hearing the bells, the cry rang out to see the caravans, the cry rang out along the streets.

'The camels are coming and the children ran out to see the caravans come in.' Mr. Leslie built special corrals for the camels as they frightened the horses and mules. Finally, laws were passed that permitted the camel trains to pass through towns only at night."

The pioneer Leslie family arrived in Dayton in 1862

George Alexander Leslie family ancestors were Scotch and his wife, Ann Howard Leslie, of Newton moor, Cheshire, England arrived in Dayton in 1862, coming to Utah, where George had furnished supplies for the US Army there then. He had assessed a store at Camp Floyd, another at Ft. Lehigh, two grain mills, stock and land. When he left the area, he had accumulated numerous items, including two large horse pulled trailers loaded with grain and his wife and three children, George, Lillie and their baby, Minnie May. Belle Leslie was born later in Dayton.

George had planned to leave Utah Territory for California but when he reached Dayton on the Carson River, there was a placer gold boom on Gold Creek that ran through Dayton. The family camped exactly where, years later, the Carson and Colorado RR Depot was built. Before long, George bought four blocks of land and built a substantial home. An office and stables entirely enclosed one

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T.S. No. **25-73764** APN No.: **003-533-12****NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 8/23/2010. 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.

A public auction sale 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 will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. 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 to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale.

**TRUSTOR:ROBERTA L GODFREY,
AN UNMARRIED WOMAN**

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**

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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.

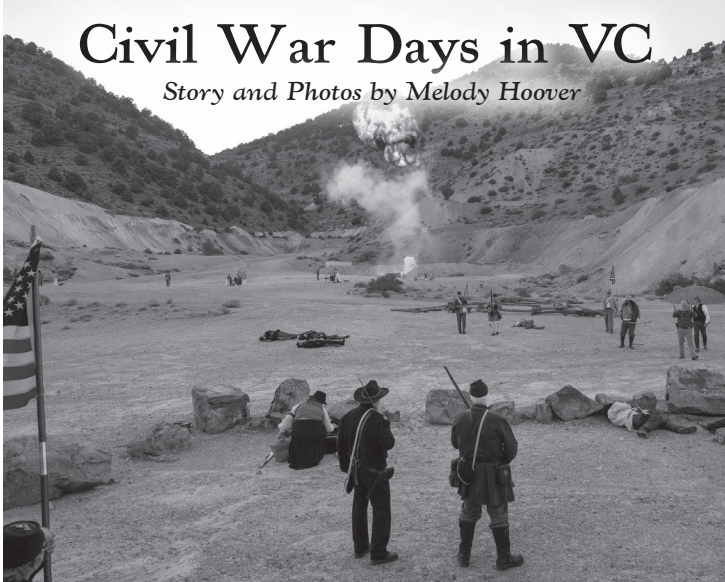
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Signature of Notary
EPP 44819

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Civil War Days in VC

Story and Photos by Melody Hoover



Over Labor Day weekend, Virginia City celebrated its rich history with events that transported visitors back to life on the Comstock in the 1860s. During the American Civil War, Union sympathizers played a key role in pushing for Nevada's statehood so the territory could participate in the 1864 presidential election in support of Abraham Lincoln. Their efforts paid off – Nevada became the 36th state in 1864.

Although only about 1,200 Nevadans fought for the Union, the state's greatest contribution came from the silver of the Comstock Lode, which helped finance the war. Nevada also served as home to several Union military posts, further cementing its importance to the cause.

This year's celebration, organized by the Comstock Civil

War Reenactors, featured Battle Trains on the V&T Railroad, demonstrating the dangers of riding the rails while valuables while prisoners were on board. Guests could explore the living history camp at Miner's Park, showing the struggles of daily life for both civilians and soldiers. On Sunday afternoon, the camp hosted a lovely high tea, with delicate snacks and fine teas, followed by a beautiful Heritage Ball at Piper's Opera House that night. More than 40 couples attended, learning the Grand March and other formal dances. It was a lovely evening, and the formal wear was spectacular.

Monday's festivities brought high drama with a staged robbery at the Delta Saloon. The

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APPLICATION FOR WATER NO. 93810

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on the 06th day of August 2024 Nevada Department of Transportation of Carson City, Nevada made application to the State Engineer of Nevada for permission to change the place and manner of use of 0.0725 c.f.s., 8.16 a.f.a., a portion of water heretofore appropriated under Claim 638 of the Truckee River Decree. Water will be diverted from the Truckee River at a point located within the Pierson Ditch, which is located in the NW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 9, T20N, R24E. Water will be used for wildlife (instream flow) purposes as decreed. Water was used as decreed.

Adam Sullivan, P.E.

State Engineer

AS/mh

Date of first publication 9/5/2025

Date of last publication 9/26/2025

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF NEVADA: STOREY COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
CASE NO. 25 PBT 00006 1E

BARBARA JEANNE GARRETT, DECEASED
DEPT. NO. 2

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on August 15, 2025, Gina Marie Taylor was appointed and qualified by the above-entitled Court as Executor of the Estate of Barbara Jeanne Garrett, Deceased.

All Creditors having claims against the Estate are required to file their claims, with supporting documentation attached, with the Clerk of the Court, Storey County Courthouse, 26 South B Street, Drawer D, Virginia City, Nevada 89440, within ninety (90) days after the mailing or the first publication (as the case may be) of the Notice.

Dated this 31st day of August, 2025.

Publication dates: 9/5/2025, 9/12/2025, 9/26/2025

THE CAMEL BARN, con't from page 10

block that included a large hay and grain barn and an immense stone barn, which is still a landmark in Dayton.

An interesting story of the barn occurred when Grant and Seymour were running for the office of the US presidency and a bet was made between them. One posted \$2,000 in gold coins he'd win and the other, \$2500.00 in ranchers' grain, stored at the Camel Barn. The rancher lost

and the children enjoyed playing there until the sacks of grain were moved higher up in the barn.

The information on the history of the Leslie family was published in the Nevada State Journal in 1939 by Mrs. Thurlow Douglas and sponsored by the Sagebrush Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution in a series on Nevada Pioneer Families.

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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

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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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Attempted Murder and Arson in Dayton

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Albert Buher - Lyon County Sheriff's Office

On August 31, 2025, at approximately 1647 hours, Lyon County Dispatch received a 911 call from a female subject, who advised a male subject (later identified as ALBERT BUHER) was screaming at her, took her camp fuel, threatened to burn her camp down and attacked her. The reporting party advised BUHER eventually left her camp and returned to his camp.

Lyon County Sheriff's Office Deputies responded to the campsite, located near a water tower above Cemetery Road in Dayton, Nevada. As Deputies responded, the reporting party called Dispatch again, advising there was a trailer possibly on fire. From Highway 50, responding Deputies observed black smoke coming from the area of the campsite.

Upon arrival, Deputies met with multiple witnesses, who advised they observed BUHER place fuel on his trailer, and observed a fire start shortly after. There were numerous other trailers and vehicles in the immediate area, which also caught fire, resulting in a total loss of many of them. Deputies also learned that BUHER had battered two different individuals and made threats to kill them.

Witnesses advised BUHER had fled from the campsite prior to law enforcement's arrival. Deputies searched the area for BUHER, who was later located at a local Dayton business and taken into custody without incident.

BUHER was subsequently booked into the Lyon County Jail on the following charges:

- Attempted Murder (Felony)
- 1st Degree Arson (7 Counts) (Felony)
- 3rd Degree Arson (5 Counts) (Felony)
- Domestic Battery (3rd offense within seven years) (With intent to Kill) (Felony)
- Reckless Endangerment (Gross Misdemeanor)
- Harassment (2 Counts) (Misdemeanor)
- Simple Battery (Misdemeanor)

TOTAL BAIL: \$485,920.00

Anyone with information related to this incident is encouraged to contact Lyon County Dispatch at (775) 463-6620 and reference case #25LY03336.

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Sudoku Answer on Page 13

CIVIL WAR DAYS, con't from page 12



Battle on C Street

conflict spilled onto C Street, drawing Union supporters and townspeople into the fray. A battle ensued, with people from both sides falling to the gunfire. Shots rang out, actors fell, and one grieving Southern woman even collapsed beside her

"fallen" husband. The performance thrilled onlookers, and in the end, the South escaped with their gold. The weekend closed with a lively parade—full of smiles, waves, and candy tossed to children along the route.

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- THEME: FICTIONAL CANINES
- ACROSS

1. "Call of the Wild" dog

5. Lightning McQueen, e.g.

8. Island near Java

12. Popular hairdo in the 1960s and '70s

13. Governmental space agency, acr.

14. Meat in a casing

15. Larry Bird's target

16. Narrative poem

17. Richard Bachman to Stephen King

18. "Sherman's Mr. ____"

20. Fence plank

21. Small jar

22. FedEx competitor

23. "Tabaqui of "The Jungle Book"

26. Most vital part

30. a.k.a. Home of the Brave

31. Bewilder

34. Y'all

35. Phonograph media

37. Williams sister's return

38. "Two mints in one" classic mints

39. Celt

40. Red carpet suit

42. Pirate's turf

43. Flag on a ship, pl.

45. Solar system model

47. Like a fiddle

48. Sweating room

50. Chesterfield, e.g.

52. "National Crime Prevention Council's mascot

54. "The Martian" (2015) actor Matt ____

55. Verbal exam

56. Half-man, half-goat

59. Deflect

60. Charge a tax

61. Division word

62. Darn a sock, e.g.

63. Bo Peep follower

64. Long, long time
- DOWN

1. Scrooge's exclamation

2. E.T. transporter, e.g.

3. Photo editing option

4. 1/100th of a ruble

5. Mafia's top dogs

6. "All joking ____"

7. Risqu

8. "Target's mascot

9. "Si, mi chiamo Mimi" in La Boheme, e.g.

10. Law school test acronym

11. "____ a Wonderful Life"

13. Interstellar cloud

14. Flying stingers

19. Omani and Yemeni

22. Consume

23. TV Judy's title

24. Of the Orient

25. Lawyers' loads

26. Major European river

27. Relating to Scandinavia

28. Like a button, but more so

29. English homework

32. Swine and avian diseases

33. "Maid Marian of Disney's "Robin Hood" movie (1973)

36. "The Big Red Dog

38. ____copia

40. Blast maker, acr.

41. Sullenly

44. James Dean's last movie (1956)

46. Basket-making fiber

48. Nut holder

49. Tequila source

50. "____ me a seat"

51. Damien's prediction

52. Lawn pest

53. "Rubeus Hagrid's faithful boarhound

54. Beaver's edifice

57. Beehive State native

58. Us, in Mexico

Crossword Answer on Page 13

Lewis & Minor

by Matt Weidmann

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