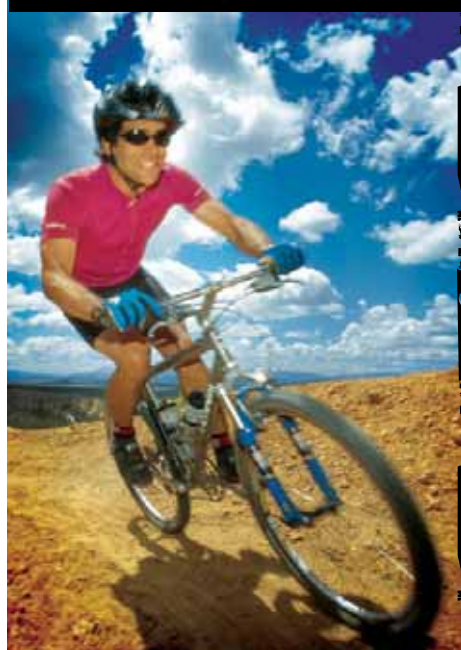


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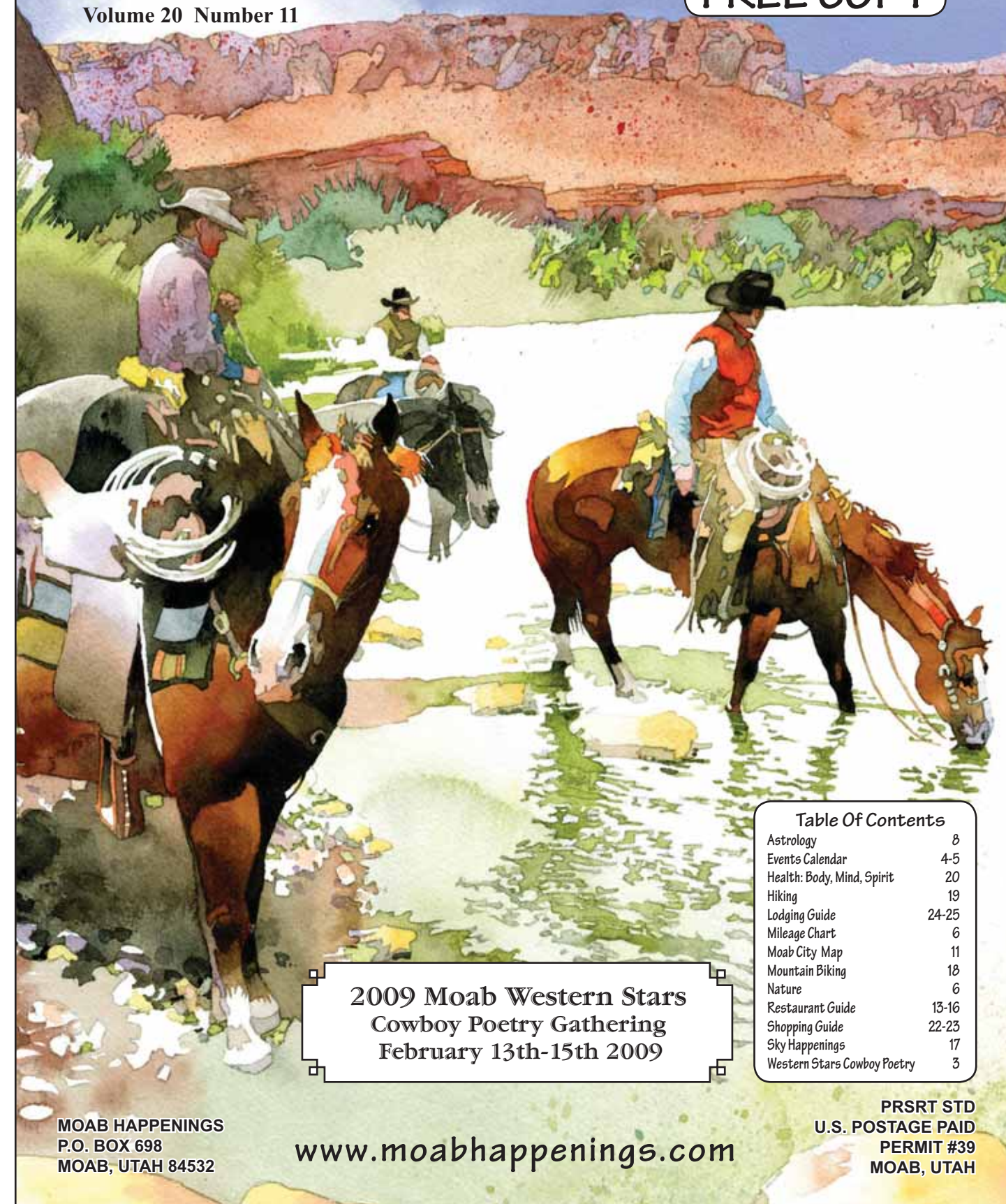
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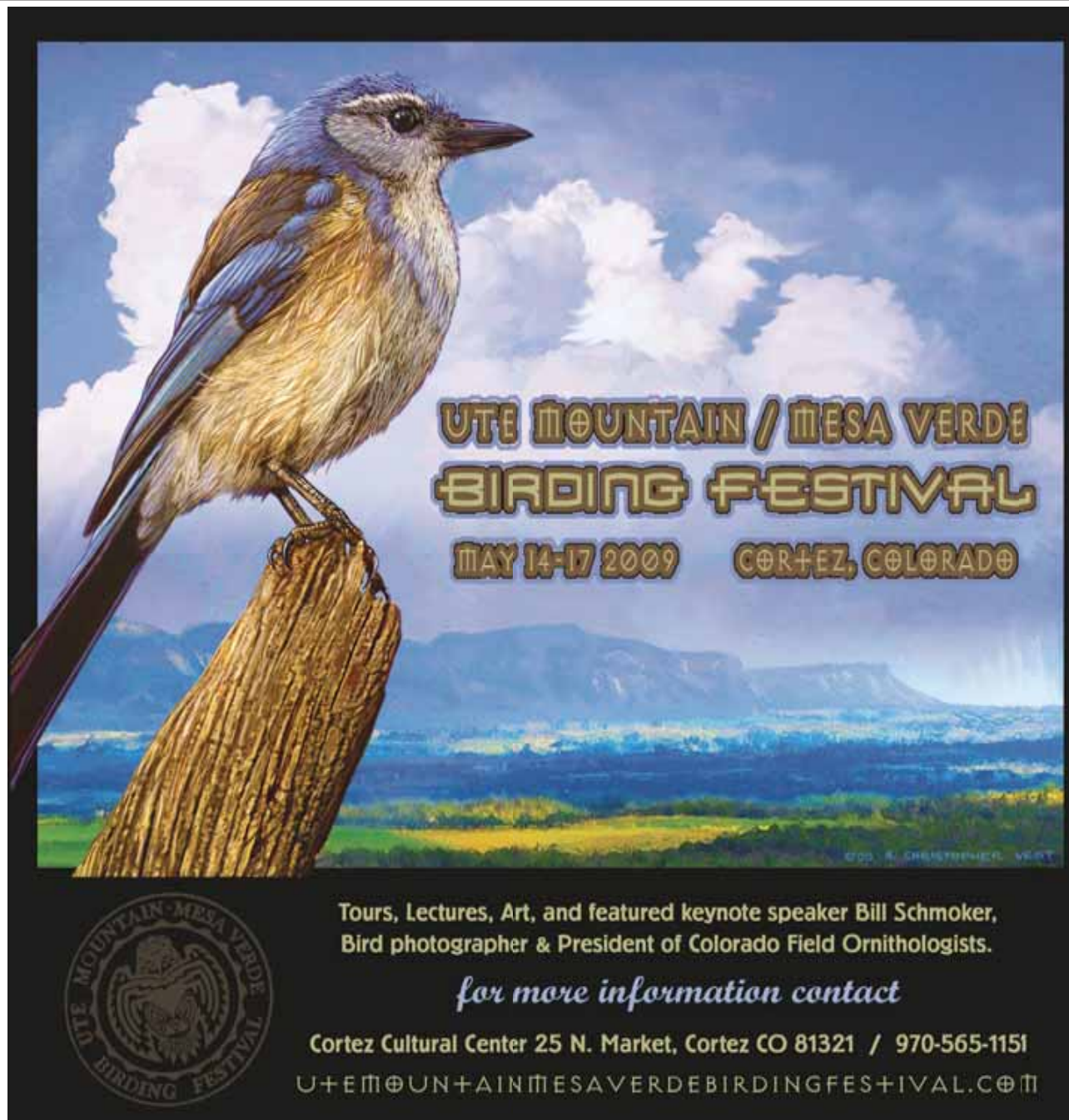
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POETRY & MUSIC HAPPENINGS

Moab Western Stars Cowboy Poetry Gathering

By Jo Kirkwood

For most folks February is a time of sub-zero temperatures, slick highways, heavy winter coats and the dreary monotony of a winter that seems it will never end. But in the Canyonlands of Utah, spring comes early. By Valentine's Day buds are swelling, the earliest wildflowers are pushing their way through loam, and birds have returned. Sure, nights can be chilly, but by day the sun comes out and burns away the lingering vestiges of winter. Clear blue skies of the Utah desert form a backdrop for brilliant red cliffs, and the protective wall of Blue Mountain shelters this distant valley of the Colorado. In Moab, the West of yesteryear is still real and vibrant. This is cattle country, and rim rock. It's a land of sage and sand, hidden canyons, and a history that embraces legends of gunfighters and outlaws, lonely dugout ranches, cattle drives, and the tenacious spirit of a people whose descendants still thrive and linger in rugged outposts. Come join us in Moab this February 12 - 15th at the Moab Western Stars Cowboy Poetry Gathering. Experience the West as it really is.

The Moab Western Stars Cowboy Poetry Gathering, named by American Cowboy Magazine as one of the top ten gatherings in the country, has expanded rapidly in the few short years since its inception. Scheduled each year for Presidents' Day weekend, the gathering has become a way for Moab to expand the visitor season a few precious weeks into late winter. Centered primarily at the MARC and Star Hall, this year's event begins on Thursday, February 12th with an exhibit at the Overlook Gallery of Don Weller's fine art. Weller is also the poster artist for the gathering, and his work has received top honors nationally. On Friday, western musicians and poets will take the stage at the MARC, and some of the finest western vendors will

set up shop to display and sell their wares. Expect to see saddle makers, hat makers, silversmiths, and a whole host of other artisans. One special display you'll want to visit will be the exhibit from the Cowboy and Gunfighter Museum in Craig, Colorado, hosted by Bill Mackin himself. Daytime events at the MARC are all free with membership. On Friday the Backcountry Horsemen along with Red Cliff Lodge are planning a trail ride. Bring your own horse, or you can rent one from the lodge. Friday is capped off with

fine performers. Saturday is Valentine's Day, and you'll want to get your tickets early for the unique headliner concert at the high school that evening. It would be difficult to come up with a better Valentine's date than a Suzy Bogguss concert, and we are proud to have her here. A great lineup of pre-show entertainment is also scheduled, so plan for an exquisite evening of fine music, cowboy poetry and fun. After the concert come on over to the MARC for the community-cowboy dance. The Sawmill River Band will be live; they're fun, and easy to dance to. A cowboy-perfect way to end a perfect evening.

Sunday morning begins with a non-denominational Christian cowboy church. Any and all who wish to join in are welcome. Musicians and poets will share sentiments, and folks from the congregation are welcome to stand with a story or thought. Or just come and share good company on a Sunday morning.

Don Edwards will be conducting an acoustic guitar workshop Sunday morning, and if you'd like to attend it will be important to get your tickets early. Sculptor Jeff Wolf will be on hand, creating a portrait from life of Don during the workshop. Jeff is widely

known throughout the world of western art, and this opportunity to watch him in action, while benefiting from the musical expertise of a true master like Don Edwards, is surely an once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

At the Spanish Trails Arena there will

be two different clinics on Sunday afternoon, contrasting two styles of horsemanship. Join James Dixon and Don Weller for an explanation and demonstration of the cutting horse style of working cattle, then buckaroo Bill Boswell and friends will give insights into the vaquero traditions from hackamore to straight-up in the bridle. And stick around awhile. Bill just might demonstrate some genuine ranch roping techniques. Through it all you'll enjoy entertainment by musicians Brian Arnold and Kenny Hall, and poet Curly Syndergaard.

Sunday ends with Don Edward's headliner concert, at historic Star Hall. Top cowboy poets will join Don, who is perhaps the most beloved of all western musicians, for a truly memorable evening.

The 2009 Moab Western Stars Cowboy Poetry Gathering is shaping up to be one whale of an event. For more information visit the website: www.moabwesternstars.com or contact the MARC: 435-259-6272.



our traditional Cowboy Campfire Concert at the MARC, with a jam session to follow.

On Saturday, the entertainment at the MARC continues - but things just keep getting better. You won't want to miss the two o'clock matinee at Star Hall, which is themed as a tribute to the legendary Marty Robbins. Robbins' work will be interpreted by a series of artists, including a couple who sound "more like Marty than he did..." The concert will feature perhaps the finest of all western balladeers, Don Edwards, along many other

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Brian Arnold	Curly Syndergaard
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Gathering Highlights

Don Edwards Guitar Workshop
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- "Fate of the Lhapa" 7 pm, Moab Arts & Rec Ctr**
Admission by Donation. Discussion & reception with filmmaker after screening. see article on page 21
- "My Canyonlands - Kent Frost's Adventurous Life"**
New Documentary screening presented by Chris Simon at Edge of the Cedars at 7:00 pm in Blanding. Kent Frost will be on hand to sign copies of his book, *My Canyonlands* and to celebrate his birthday!
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- WabiSabi's Community Sunday Brunch**
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- Jordan World Circus, Spanish Trail Arena**
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Monday evening 7 pm. Presented by Blue Mountain Entertainment and the Utah Arts Council. Tickets available at the door. Families \$22.50, Adults \$9 Students \$4.50.
- Winter Film Series, Some Like It Hot, Star Hall,**
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- 13-15 Western Stars Cowboy Poetry Gathering**
see article on page 3; call 435-259-6272 for more info.
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Saturday - Acoustic Guitar Workshop with Don Edwards - Jeff Wolf Sculpting demonstration begins at 10 am, BackCountry Horsemen Trail Ride, Dutch Oven Lunch at noon. Marty Robbins Tribute at 2 pm; Suzy Bogguss Concert at 7pm;
Sunday - Buckaroo and Cutting Horse Clinic & Don Edwards Concert
- Friday Night Cowboy Campfire Concert, MARC**
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- Dog Adoptions, City Market, 10 am - 12 noon**
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- VALENTINE'S DAY**
- Suzy Bogguss Concert, GCHS Aud. 7 pm**
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- "Puttin' on the Ritz", Red Cliffs Lodge**
17th Annual Seekhaven Benefit Dinner/Dance
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16 PRESIDENT'S DAY

18 8th Annual Rural Business Conference, Blanding

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19 8th Annual Rural Business Conference, Moab

Held at the Grad Center, 182 North 400 West, Moab. Hosted by Senator Bob Bennett and the Utah Rural Development Council. www.ruralutah.com

19 Thursday Night Movie Night at the Library, 7:00 pm

Film: The Dark Knight. Event is FREE. Everyone is invited. Children under 13 will only be admitted with a parent or guardian. For more info call 259-1111

20,21,22 USTRC Roping, Spanish Trail Arena

United States Team Roping Championships - see ad on page 12

21 Cat Adoptions, 11 am - 1 pm, Moab Barkery

Seriously, these are some nice kitties and cats!! See our purrrdy pix in the Advertiser. Humane Society of Moab Valley

21 5th Annual Community Health Fair, Grand Center

10 am - 2 pm. See ad on page 26

24 15th Annual SpayDay USA!

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24 7th Annual Fat Tuesday

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Mardi Gras Fashion Show

Bizarre, Moab Brewery

see ad on page 7 and article on page 9

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27 Winter Film Series, Yo Jimbo,

Held in Star Hall, Canyonlands Film Society Winter Film Series features comedies. Doors open at 6:30 pm, Film begin at 7:00 pm. Entry by donation.

27-28 Swing into Spring Square Dance,

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2009 Events

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Jan 23-24 Letters Project, Theatre
Jan 24 Robert Burns Tribute Concert
Jan 30-31 Letters Project, Theatre

Feb 13-15 Western Stars Cowboy Poetry
February 20-22 USTRC Team Roping
February 24 Wabi Sabi Fashion Show

March 7-8 Quilting in the Red Rocks Quilt Show
March 9 Banff Mountain Film Festival
March 14-16 Skinny Tire Festival
March 21 Canyonlands Half Marathon

April 4-12 Easter Jeep Safari
April 17-19 NADAC Dog Agility Competition
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April 30 - May 3 Moab Photo Symposium
Moab Spring Quarter Horse Show
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May 23-24 Moab Arts Festival

June 4-6 Canyonlands PRCA Rodeo
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July 4 Moab Independence Day Celebration

August 7 Relay for Life

Sept. 3-19 Moab Music Festival
Sept 18-21 Tribal Sands Belly Dance Festival
Sept 19 Moab Century Tour
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October 10-11 24 Hours of Moab
October 18 The Other Half
Oct 30 - Nov 1 4th Annual Moab Ho-Down
Mtn. Bike Festival
October 31 Pumpkin Chuckin Festival

November 6-8 Moab Folk Festival

December 5-6 Winter Sun Festival

Seekhaven Launches the Moab Clothesline Project

Unveiling at "Puttin' on the Ritz",
February 14th, 2009

Seekhaven Family Crisis and Resource Center is launching the Moab Clothesline Project in an effort to increase community communication and awareness about domestic violence and intimate abuse. A display of t-shirts, decorated either with words or art by survivors and family and friends of victims and survivors, will be displayed on a clothesline and unveiled at Seekhaven's annual fundraiser, Puttin' on the Ritz on February 14th.

The Moab project is based on the Clothesline Project that began in 1990 in Cape Cod, MA. Although the original intent of the Clothesline Project was to promote awareness of violence against women, the Moab Project will also include shirts from male survivors of abuse. White shirts will be reserved families and friends to honor victims, those who died due to violent acts. Survivors of abuse and their family and friends are encouraged to create shirts to represent their feelings about their experience(s). T-shirts and art supplies are available at the Seekhaven Resource Center.

According to the original group of women who started the Clothesline Project in 1990, the action of creating a shirt and hanging it on the Clothesline "serves many purposes. It acts as an educational tool for those who come to view the Clothesline; it becomes a healing tool for anyone who makes a shirt - by hanging the shirt on the line, survivors, friends and family can literally turn their back on some of that pain of their experience and walk away; finally it allows those who are still suffering in silence to understand that they are not alone."

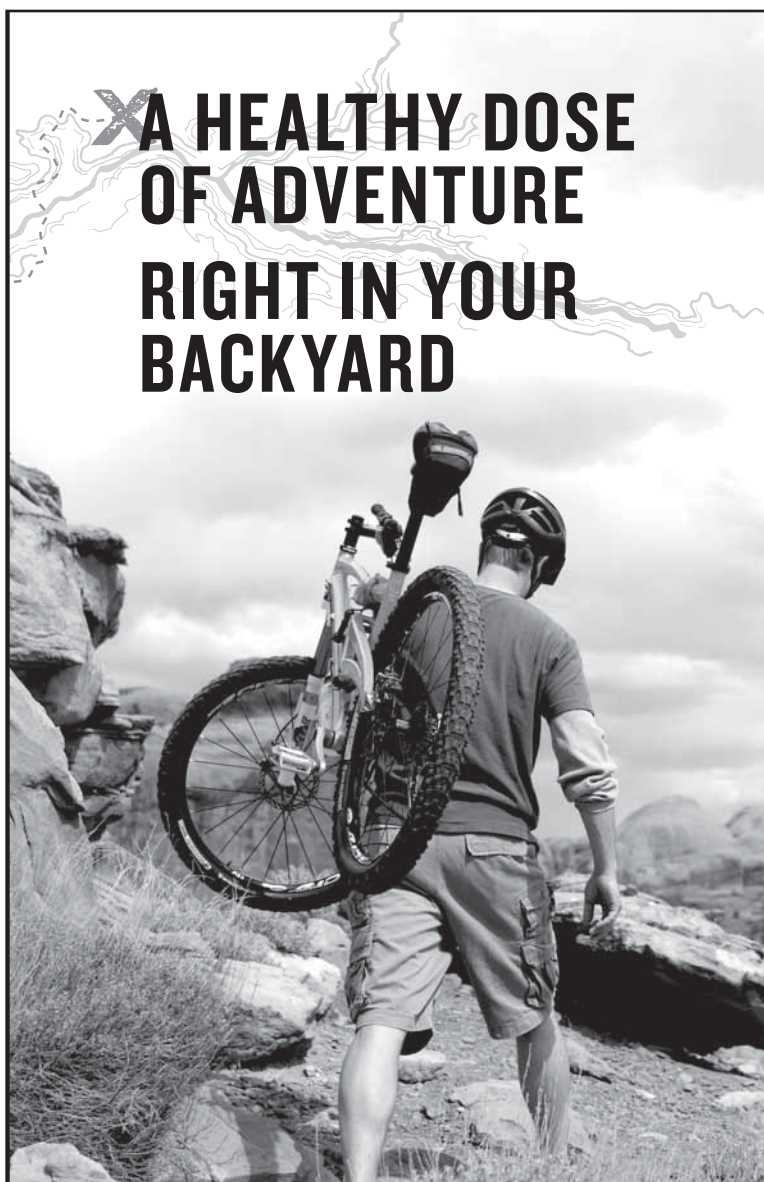
Currently, the National Clothesline Project estimates, "there are 500 projects nationally and internationally with an estimated 50,000 to 60,000 shirts. We know of projects in 41 states and 5 countries. This ever-expanding grassroots network is as far-flung as Tanzania and as close as Orleans, Massachusetts." The closest Clothesline Project to Moab is in Orem, at Utah Valley University with 800 shirts on display at different events throughout the year.

PUTTIN' ON THE RITZ

Seekhaven continues to work toward ending violence with the collaboration and commitment of the community. Attendance at the annual dinner and dance fundraiser is a great way to support efforts such as the Clothesline Project.

Seekhaven plans to unveil the first shirts on the Clothesline at "Puttin' on the Ritz" on February 14th 2009 at Red Cliffs Lodge. Everyone is welcome to attend the annual event. Tickets are \$40 in advance or \$45 at the door. The event is sponsored by Red Cliff's Lodge, Zions Bank, Eastern Utah Credit Union, Zax/Aarchway Inn. Tickets are available at Arches Book Co., Eastern Utah Credit Union, WabiSabi Thriftique, Zions Bank, and the Seekhaven Resource Center.

For more information regarding the Clothesline Project call Seekhaven 259-2229 or go to www.clotheslineproject.org on the web and be sure to mention you read about it in *Moab Happenings*.



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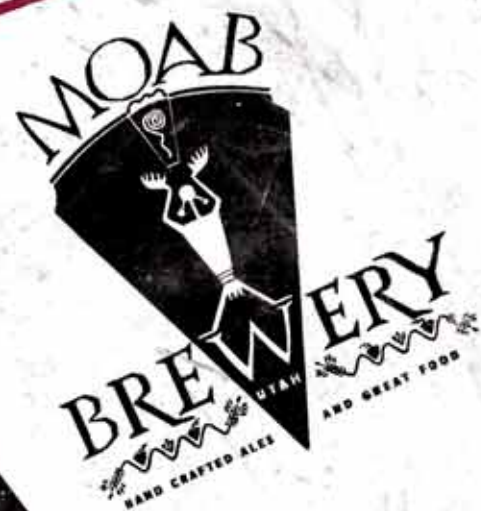
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ASTROLOGY HAPPENINGS

Your Monthly Horoscope - February 2009

By Rob Wells

Jan. 21 - Feb. 18 Aquarius: Happy Birthday Water Bearer! All of the planets are centered this month on you having one of the brightest Februarys for sometime. A tug-o-war continues this month over finances with some relief coming on the 16th. Break a bad habit on the 20th. Write down your best ideas on the 23rd. Plan or have a party on the 25th to finish out this glorious month.

Feb. 19 - Mar. 20 Pisces: Time to put the feet up and take a breather to recharge the batteries this month. Friends could be a source of romance until the 10th. You'll attract an admirer during that time. Your tug-o-war continues over your personal freedom and your obligations. You get some good input about this on the 16th. Life takes a lighter turn for you after the 21st, so enjoy the quiet respite until then.

Mar. 21 - Apr. 20 Aries: Your friends keep your life filled with laughter and fun this month, especially around the 16th and 17th. A health or job issue continues to plague your thinking. Look for some relief around the 16th in this regard. You will find yourself covering new ground in your career, which is a pleasant change from last month's drudgery. You'll probably feel like taking some down or alone time after the 21st, so pamper yourself if you can.

Apr. 21 - May 21 Taurus: Your career sector is totally a glow this month. You can expect the good news you waited for all last month to come through. Your love life and your friends are still at odds with each other this month. Some of the pressure is relieved around the 16th and 17th. Career ideas flow like manna on the 23rd. Those around you will think you a Guru for it. After the 21st spend more time with your friends. You will have a ball.

May 22 - June 21 Gemini: You score major points with your church group this month and if not there, then in the halls of academia. If you were planning on taking a major trip, this is the BIG month to do it. The push me-pull me continues between job and home this month. You may gain insight on how to balance your time better on the 16th. After the 21st, your career sector has your full attention during the day, but a new friend could turn romantic at night, filling up your schedule.

June 22 - July 22 Cancer: Joint resources and matters akin take your time this month. It's all good news and likely to remain so for the rest of the year. Nothing like extra resources at times like these, still, a word to the

wise about speaking out of turn, or too much. This theme continues this month. You catch a break around the 16th to let some of the good news out. After the 21st, your focus is on higher matters and you might consider deepening your education at some thing you like. Have an especially fun filled day on the 23rd.

July 23 - Aug. 24 Leo: When it comes to matters of partnership, either married or business, this is going to be a big WOW month for you. Aspects support these activities all month long in this regard, so don't get caught sitting on your seatbelt. Money issues are the only rub, but help is on the way come the 16th and 17th and after the 21st. The big thing this month is to show those who matter the most in your life how much you appreciate them.

Aug. 24 - Sept. 22 Virgo: You continue to feel the weight of partnership obligations this month. You may be asking yourself why you should be carrying all of the load while others don't contribute that much. You catch a break from this around the 16th and 17th when conditions lighten for a couple of days. Your job seems to be bringing you your greatest joy this month. You are really racking up the accolades in the work place. After the 21st matters of joint money have your attention. It's good news though and that should please you.

Sep. 23 - Oct. 23 Libra: Others will envy your love life this month. You'll have the eyes, ears and hearts of many suitors. A lucky financial break could find you around the 16th and 17th so take the risk. If you're romantically taken a major creative project gets the light this month instead. Your mental abilities are super enhanced on the 23rd, take advantage of the energies that day. Plan a little get together with friends on the 25th.

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22 Scorpio: Home is where the heart is and this month is just unreal in this regard. You'll be making plans for home improvements and redecorating that will take all year to complete. And being who you are, your home is going to reflect your inner you like never before. Time constraints still remain a rub with your friends this month. So, take time for them around the 16th and 17th, as they will appreciate it. Your love life gets a needed shot in the arm after the 21st, so be out and about to take advantage of the situation.

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21 Sagittarius: Think about this. Something you say or write is going to have some far reaching effects this month. Are you prepared to accept responsibility for your words? This is a good thing, so think it through. The weight of your career still is impeding on your home life. Take the

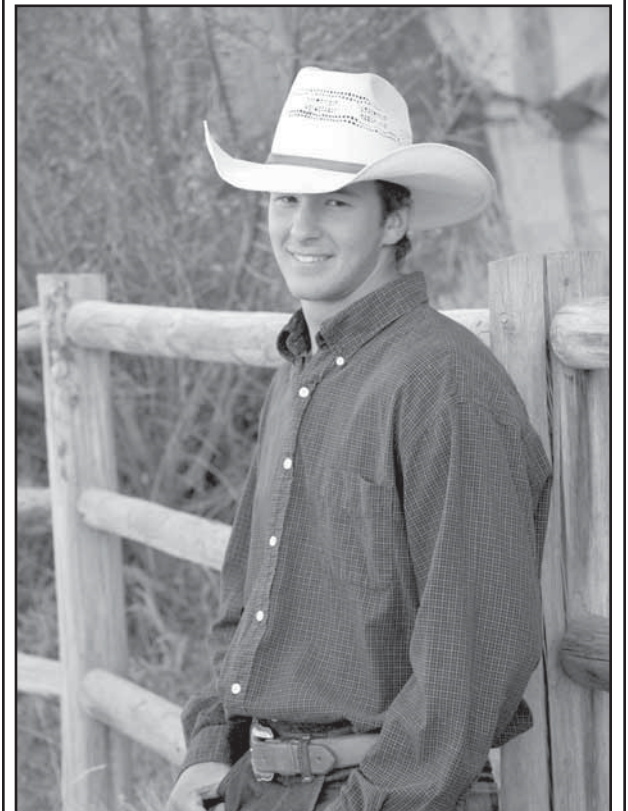
time you need for family around the 16th and 17th. After the 21st this situation gets a needed rest. The 23rd is a Big Brain Day for you. Write down whose ideas. Tell someone how much you care about them on the 25th and just blow them out of the water.

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20 Capricorn: Happy Money Month! It's just really good news for you this month. The cash flows in and you actually get to keep some of it. Flag the 16th and the 17th as well, for some financial gains. Make money plans on the 20th. After the 21st the Sun makes a move to open you to further gains in the communications department. Seems life is pushing you to learn new skills in this area and you get a test, then a grade at the end of the month. Relax. It's all good news.



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NON-PROFIT HAPPENINGS

It just appeared! No one knew where it came from or when it arrived! Alien for this place! There were 10 sets of tracks plus a creature with 4 legs in the sand bar! All leading in different directions from the mooring! Each had their agenda when they hit the ground.

An old timer (who you would think had invented dirt) happened upon the marooned vessel and took note of its sinister nature. Its presence had no place here! And how did it get here? Ed looked long & hard at it, then shook his head and walked away! Mumbling, "What the hell is this world coming to?"

It quickly became the hottest topic in town! Rumor had it that a farmer that grew crops & hops stumbled by, as they were perusing the contents of the cargo.

They called Maxo in, an ex-Marine that was Sheriff with a shadowy past to lead the investigation. Jeff (the farmer) offered to identify the contents of the 3 full barrels

of fluid left and would get back w the authorities at his earliest convenience to convey his finding!

Along with the kegs a tattered journal was found subject to water stains and scribbling. They deciphered that the members aboard were all recruited by a Charismatic thin blade of a man from a New Orleans dive bar on a voyage that would take them to new promised lands! They knew their fate was subject to intervention but chose to proceed with caution thrown to the whims of the waves!

The trip was magical! Minimal storm or setbacks!

Morphine the four-legged creature typically stood at the bow observing the horizon and when inclement weather or turmoil appeared he was the first one to seek refuge in the bowels of the ship!

The investigation identified that 10 members had slipped into the shadows of the already over ran hovel of Moab, full of Roughnecks, Prospectors, opportunists and the likes

of Charlie Steen.

To commemorate their voyage, an annual celebration on Fat Tuesday during Mardi Gras has occurred for the past 6 years. This 7th year honors those entities of New Orleans that have infiltrated this culture and has surfaced to entertain you in the best way they know how! They will endear you to the refugees of that miraculous voyage from New Orleans to Moab down the Gulf of Mexico across the Panama Canal up the West Coast into the mouth of the Colo River and mooring on a sand bar in Moab. Only to disperse themselves into an already eclectic community!

Come celebrate with us as we embrace the "Subcultures of Moab" and how those 10 beings influenced our worlds! The farmer may even be serving some of what he learned from the spoils of the kegs.

Come to WabiSabi's Mardi Gras Celebration 2.24.09

Founded to support local nonprofits, WabiSabi has evolved into a community hub. WabiSabi a nonprofit thrift store based in Moab, Utah, provides educational outreach and financial contributions that enable community organizations and individuals to improve and sustain the environment, support youth development, increase quality of life for all species, and enrich our community through expanded art opportunities and increased cultural awareness.

WabiSabi's name comes from a Japanese term that speaks of the beauty of imperfection. It reminds us that new is not necessarily nicer. Cracks, chips and worn spots are signs of life that reveal a rich history – a history touched by life. With this in mind, WabiSabi was chosen as a fitting name for an organization with two thrift stores that sell used merchandise. The WabiSabi Thriftique, located at 350 South 400 East, is not your typical thrift store. It features only the best in used quality clothing, collectibles, books, sportswear and camping equipment. The WabiSabi Warehouse, located at 145 West 200 South, has a large retail selection of reduced price clothing, furniture, housewares, children's items and building materials.

These thrift shops offer the community a way to recycle materials that could potentially be deposited in the landfill. WabiSabi provides a positive answer to the question of where and how to discard old or unwanted material items. WabiSabi would like to see 100% of the materials donated to their stores either sold, given away to other community organizations that are in need of the item(s), or recycled so WabiSabi continues to create new ways to keep materials out of the landfill. This includes free workshops that promote and teach alternative uses for discarded items. Past Workshops have included making braided rugs from rags, recycled Holiday gifts and composting.

In addition to promoting recycling, individuals who donate to WabiSabi are supporting community nonprofits. WabiSabi distributes financial awards to local nonprofits from the funds generated at the two stores. When individuals donate items or make a purchase they are asked to vote for one of WabiSabi's Sponsored Nonprofit Partners. All of the nonprofit partners receive financial awards twice a year but the number of votes for that nonprofit partner determines the amount. The more votes a nonprofit gets the bigger financial award it will get.

WabiSabi supports many other nonprofits as well. Each store has a nonprofit information center with brochures, handouts, and flyers from local nonprofits. Nonprofit organizations can receive materials from the WabiSabi Warehouse that may be needed for their clients, fundraisers, or for day to day use.

All of these programs would not be possible if it was not for the incredible support WabiSabi receives from the community. WabiSabi relies on hundreds of volunteers that serve each year, helping to run the thrift stores, sort donations, and plan special events and fundraisers. Volunteers of any skill level are always welcome.

Do you know of a non-profit that would like to be featured in Moab Happenings ?
Call Theresa at 259-8431

Check Out WabiSabi's Sponsored Nonprofit Partners

Arches Education Center

<http://gfhed.com/archeseducation/index.html>

Arches Education Center empowers individuals to become self-sufficient, with the skills necessary for future employment and personal success.

BEACON After School Adventure Program

www.moabbeacon.net

This provides a safe place for students (K-8 grades) to access homework help/tutoring, as well as engage in educational, enhancing and stimulating arts & recreational activities.

Canyonlands Community Recycling Center

Open 8am to 4pm Monday-Saturday, the recycling center offers recycling of: aluminum cans, glass, corrugated cardboard, office paper, steel (tin) cans; #1 through #7 plastics; and newspapers.

Canyonlands Film Society

www.canyonfilm.com

Our mission is to enrich our community by providing meaningful and diverse films.

Confluence

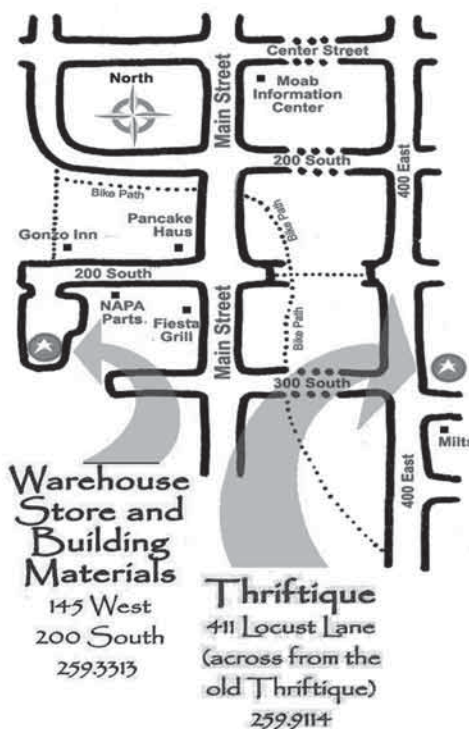
A Celebration of Reading and Writing in Moab

<http://www.moabconfluence.org>

Confluence is a celebration of reading and writing in the West. Confluence started the Moab Reads program and also holds an annual Intensive Writing Workshop and weekend literary event each October.

Friends of the Club Red Moab Teen Center

Club Red is not only a great drop-in facility providing a safe, supervised place for Moab Teens, and coordinates teen-focused events with other local nonprofits and businesses.



Humane Society of Moab Valley (HSMV)

<http://www.moabpets.org>

HSMV is 90% volunteer run and operates a no-kill foster program where every adoptable animal finds a new, loving home.

KZMU Moab Community Radio

<http://www.kzmu.org>

KZMU is Utah's only all-volunteer air crew radio station served by 85 DJ's and 4 part-time staff.

Living Rivers & Colorado Riverkeeper

www.livingrivers.org

Living Rivers employs grassroots organizing, media outreach, litigation, research and campaigns that promote large-scale river restoration, habitat preservation and water user responsibility both locally and regionally.

Moab Eats

Moab Eats prepares locally grown, organic meals to promote sustainability and individual health. We teach the many benefits of local food production and organic farming: Benefits to economy, environment, community, and personal health.

Moab Free Walk-In Health Clinic

This Clinic (is a nonprofit organization established to ensure that all members of the Moab community are able to access health care. The Clinic operates with all-volunteer medical personnel.

Moab Taiko Dan

435-259-8892 (message line is checked regularly)

Moab Taiko Dan is a group of diverse individuals who join together to drum. Drumming styles include traditional Taiko, multi-cultural rhythms and original composition.

Moab Valley Multicultural Center

<http://moabvalleymulticulturalcenter.org>

We provide outreach, education, advocacy, language translation and interpretation services and referrals to other agencies and services.

Native American Club

Sponsored by the Grand County High School, the Native American Club encourages club members to preserve their cultural heritage as they learn to contribute and interact with their community and school.

Red Rock Forests

www.redrockforests.org

Red Rock Forests strives to protect the sky-island mountains and plateaus of southeastern Utah, emphasizing the La Sal Mountains, Abajo Mountains, and Elk Ridge. We recognize the vital ecological role these ranges play in sustaining Utah's desert wildlife and waterways.

Seekhaven Family Crisis & Resource Center

435-259-2229

Seekhaven is a non-profit addressing domestic violence and homelessness within Grand and San Juan Counties. Seekhaven offers shelter for victims of domestic violence and homelessness. Shelter and resources available 24/7.

Youth Garden Project

www.youthgardenproject.org

The Youth Garden is a non-profit that provides experiential education programs to Grand County youth and to the greater community through organic gardening and community service projects.

VISITOR SERVICES DIRECTORY

MOAB, UTAH, located in southeastern Utah has become a mecca for the adventurous. Moab was first settled in 1855 by Mormons who quickly abandoned their remote outpost because of conflict with the area's Native American population. It was resettled in 1876. Moab and its people have carved an existence as changing as the eroded desert around it. Moab has served as a river-irrigated fruit growing center, a dock for ill-fated steam powered paddle boats on the Colorado River, and in the 1950's, a uranium boom town. In the 1980's the uranium market fell and Moab was forced to look to other means of economic income. Some locals decided to build a bicycle shop, rent bicycles, and offer guided tours. Tourism became a significant part of Moab's economy.

ARCHES NATIONAL PARK: Located 5 miles north of Moab, Arches National Park features the world's largest concentration of natural stone arches. There are over 2,000 arches, along with other unusual formations found throughout 74,500 acres of National Park land. Landscape Arch is the park's longest arch at 306 feet. Arches is open year-round. An entrance fee is charged to enter the park. Peak visitation occurs from March through October. The colder weather months, when snow occasionally blankets the red rocks and crowds are small, are great times to visit.

The Devils Garden Campground at Arches is 18 miles from the park entrance. The fee for individual sites is \$20 per night. Advance reservations for camping can be made by contacting the National Recreation Reservation System at 1-877-444-6777 or www.ReserveUSA.com. Sites may only be reserved for the nights of March 1st through October 31st.

If you do not have a reservation and would like to camp in the campground, you must pre-register for campsites at the visitor center between 7:30 and 8 a.m., or at the entrance fee station after 8 a.m. These individual sites are on a first-come, first-served basis. The Arches campground fills daily, sometimes by early to mid-morning.

The popular Delicate Arch is a 3-mile round-trip hike that begins and ends at Wolfe Ranch. The Fiery Furnace area requires an additional fee. Ranger-guided hikes are available, or permits may be obtained to hike on your own.

CANYONLANDS NATIONAL PARK: Moab is located in the heart of Canyonlands. The Green & Colorado Rivers divide Canyonlands National Park into three sections. The Island in the Sky section is 35 miles north of Moab. The Needles section is 80 miles south of Moab, and the Maze section is approximately 140 miles to the southwest of Moab. All sections of the park are open year-round.

DEAD HORSE POINT STATE PARK: Dead Horse Point State Park is located 30 miles north of Moab. Perhaps Utah's most spectacular state park, Dead Horse Point towers 2,000 feet above the Colorado River - providing a breathtaking panorama of the pinnacles and buttes of Canyonlands. There is a visitor center at the park with interpretive exhibits, rest rooms, and a 21-unit campground.

Visitor Centers

Moab Information Center

Main & Center Street, downtown Moab

Hours: Open Every Day - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Hours listed below may change seasonally. Please call ahead for availability.



Arches National Park

5 miles north of Moab • - (435) 719-2299
Visitor center open 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily
<http://www.nps.gov/arch/>
Camping Available

Blanding Visitor Center

12 North Grayson Pkwy
On the north end of Blanding, Utah
(435) 678-3662

Canyonlands National Park

Park Information (435) 719-2313
www.nps.gov/cany

Island in the Sky District

35 miles paved road from Moab.
(435) 259-4712 • Open 9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. daily
Visitor Center located two miles inside park.
Camping - call for information

Needles District

50 miles from Monticello, 80 miles from Moab
(435) 259-4711 • Open 9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. daily
Visitor center located 3 miles inside park boundary.
Camping - call for information

Maze District

140 miles from Moab via Green River
Ranger station at Hans Flat - (435) 259-2652
Open daily 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Dead Horse Point State Park

32 miles northwest of Moab on paved roads
via US 191 & State Hwy 313.
Visitor Center open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. daily.
(435) 259-2614
Campground open: Some sites require reservations.
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State Park campground reservations,
call toll-free 1-800-322-3770

Edge of the Cedars State Park

(435) 678-2238
660 West 400 North • Blanding, UT 84511
Hours: 9am to 5pm

Green River Visitor Center

South entrance of Green River, Utah
Located in the John Wesley Powell River History Museum
Open every day 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

San Juan County Multi Agency Visitor Center

Inside Frontier Museum
Corner Hwy 191 & 200 South, Monticello, Utah
(435) 587-3401

Open 10:00 am to 4 p.m. Monday - Saturday
Closed Sundays and Holidays

Blanding Visitor Center

12 North Grayson Pkwy.
On the north end of Blanding, Utah

LA SAL MOUNTAINS: The La Sal Mountains grace the southeast view of Moab. The second highest range in Utah, these alpine mountains offer excellent opportunities for hiking, camping, cycling, mountain climbing, cross country and hut-to-hut skiing, fishing, ATV riding, and are a perfect place to escape the summer heat. The La Sals also serve as the beautiful backdrop for Arches and Canyonlands National Parks. Campsites are available at Oowah Lake and Warner Lake on a first-come, first-served basis.

SLICKROCK BIKE TRAIL: The Slickrock Bike Trail has become very popular in recent years, and is known worldwide. The loop is 10.3 miles of wild ride with the route marked by slashes of paint on raw rock. First-timers should try the 1.7-mile practice loop - a good ride in its own right. The Slickrock Bike Trail is physically and technically challenging, but the giant vistas and the

thrill of the ride are worth the effort. The Slickrock Bike Trail is located in the Sand Flats Recreation Area and managed through a unique partnership between Grand County and the BLM. Trail maps are available at the entrance and a day-use fee is charged.

COLORADO RIVER: The Colorado River is located 2 miles north of Moab. The river cuts through a red rock gorge with incomparable vistas, meandering along in some sections, rushing boldly in others. Whitewater rafting, kayaking, canoeing, and jet boat tours abound. The drive along the Colorado River - Scenic Byway 128 and Scenic Byway 279 - offer incredible views, petroglyphs, dinosaur tracks, arches, famous movie locations, red rock spires, and rock towers that loom 1,500 feet above the valley floor.

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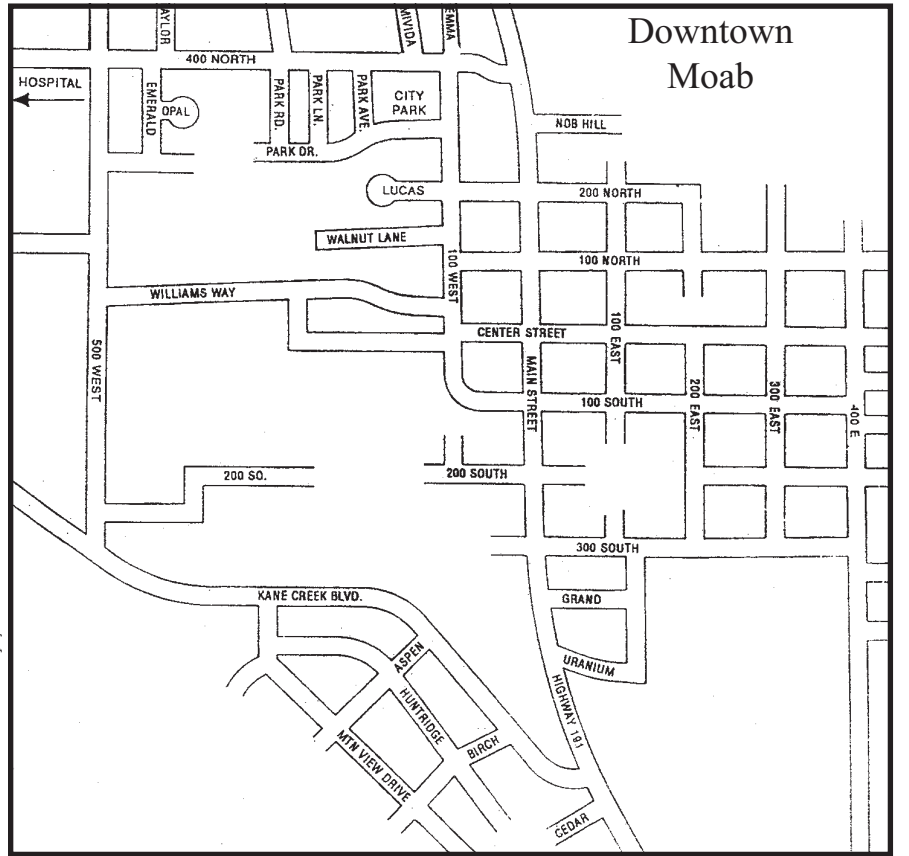
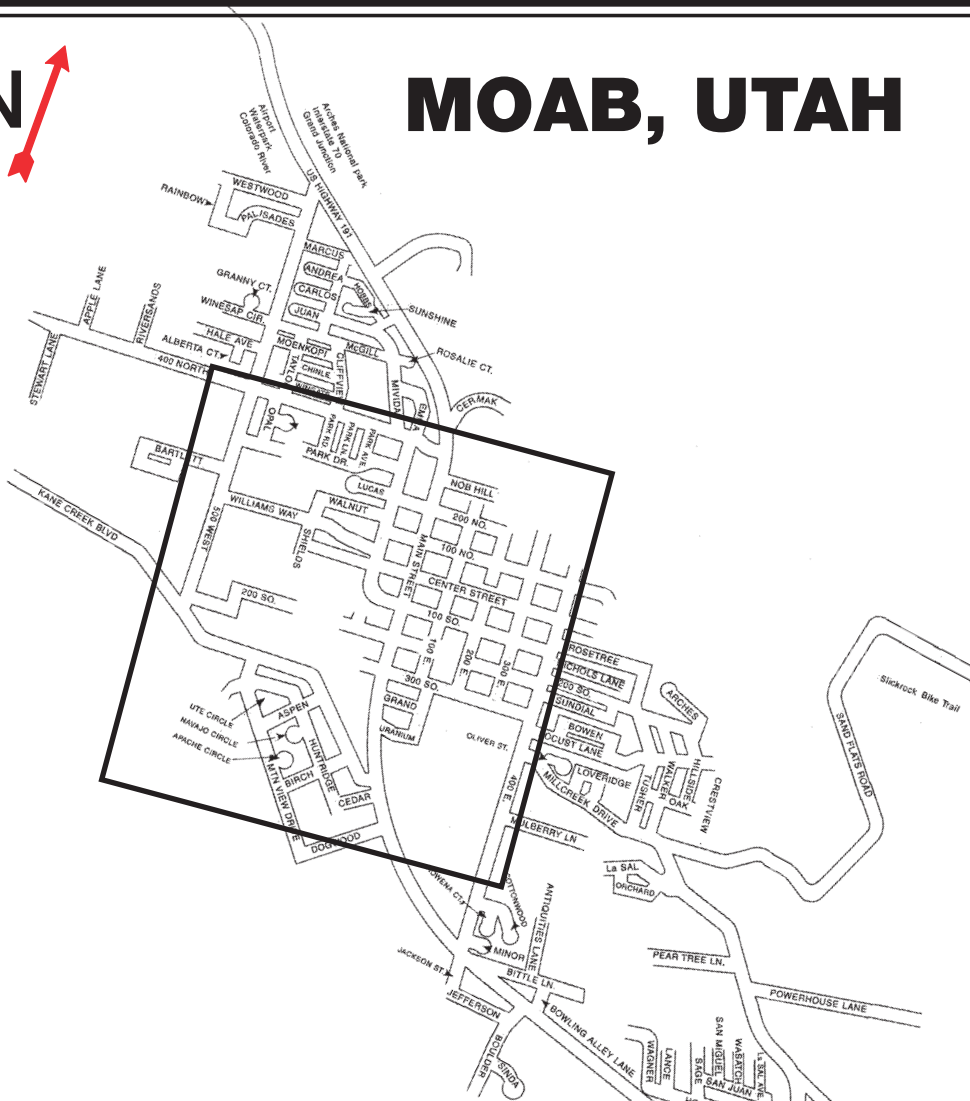
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Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Moab Stake • 701 Locust Lane	259-7491
First & Second Wards • 475 West 400 North	259-5566
Third, Fourth & Fifth Wards • 701 Locust Lane	259-5567
Community Church of Moab • 544 MiVida Drive	259-7319
Episcopal Church of St. Francis • 250 South Kane Creek Blvd • P.O. Box 96	259-5831
First Baptist Church SBC • 420 MiVida Drive	259-7310
Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church • 360 West 400 North	259-5017
Jehovah's Witnesses • 25 West Dogwood	259-8166
Moab Baptist Church • 356 West Kane Creek Blvd.	259-8481
River of Life Christian Fellowship • 2651 East Arroyo Rd.	259-8308
St. Pius X Catholic Church • 122 West 400 North	259-5211
Seventh Day Adventist • 4581 So Spanish Valley Drive	259-5545
Friends (Quakers) Meeting for Worship, 10am Sundays Location: Seekhaven, 81 N 300 East	259-8664

MOAB, UTAH



MOAB, UTAH AVERAGE TEMPERATURE & RAINFALL

MONTH	HIGH/LOW	RAINFALL
JANUARY	49.6/18.0	0.53
FEBRUARY	50.4/25.5	0.62
MARCH	60.2/34.2	0.71
APRIL	72.5/41.9	0.79
MAY	82.4/50.1	0.57
JUNE	92.0/57.5	0.45
JULY	99.0/64.1	0.49
AUGUST	95.3/62.8	0.87
SEPTEMBER	87.1/52.8	0.83
OCTOBER	73.8/40.8	1.16
NOVEMBER	56.0/30.6	0.60
DECEMBER	45.1/21.4	0.64

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#15 Handicap:

Entry fee: \$100/roper; Enter 3 times. 5-steer/Progressive after 1. #14 team - 2 sec. off; #13 & under team - 4 sec. off

#13, #12, #11 #10, #9

(#9 & #9 Incentive capped at #5):

Entry fee: \$100/roper. Enter 3 times, any combination of Incentive or Non-Incentive. 4-steer/Progressive after 1.

Gold Plus #12 with #10 Incentive:

Gold Plus members 21 years and over only. Entry fee: \$100/roper; Enter 3 times, any combination of Incentive or Non-Incentive. 4-steer/Progressive after 1.

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February 20, 10 A.M.

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#15 Handicap

#13 (with #12 Inc.)

Gold Plus #12 (with #10 Inc.)

Books for Gold Plus will not close before 4:30 P.M. Roping will not start before 5 P.M.

SATURDAY

February 21, 9 A.M.

#12 (with #11 Inc.)

#11 (with #10 Inc.)

#10 (with #9 Inc.)

SUNDAY

February 22, 9 A.M.

#9 (with #8 Inc.)

#8 Pick/Draw

for beginner & novice ropers only
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10 Trophy Gist Buckles

• Average winners & Incentive Average winners of the Gold Plus
• 1st through 3rd place Average winners of the #8 Pick/Draw

10 Trophy Saddle Pads

• Incentive Average winners of the #13, #12, #11, #10 & #9

4 Pairs Trophy Gist Spurs

• Average winners of the #15 & #13

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Moab Valley Inn • 800-831-6622 or 435/259-4419

711 South Main. Rate: \$69.95 + tax, indoor/outdoor pool & hot tub, free continental breakfast, guest laundry, suites available. www.moabvalleyinn.com

All hotels subject to drastic rate increase and release of rooms two weeks prior to event. Make reservations early.

INFO

DIRECTIONS: From Moab, three miles south on Hwy. 191. Spanish Trails Arena, 3500 S. Hwy. 191, Moab, UT 84532

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STALLS: First-come, first-served basis. Stall Reservations accepted from GOLD PLUS members only. Reservations must be made no later than 7 days prior to the event. Call your Gold Plus representative, Shawn Vargas.

For more information call: Chris Freed at 208/251-3170, Ben Tibbits at 208/681-2268, Bill Jones at 208/251-4085 or the USTRC office at 254/968-0002



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The Utah State Liquor Store is the only location to purchase bottled liquor, wine and beer with an alcoholic content above 3.2%. The Moab store is located at 55 West 200 South. Hours: **11-9 May 1-Oct 31 (11-7 Nov 1-April 30).**


In addition, wine only is available at two local wineries - Castle Creek Winery located at Red Cliffs Resort on Hwy 128 (259-2002) and Spanish Valley Vineyards & Winery located at the southwest corner of Stocks Drive and Zimmerman Lane (259-8134).

Beer (3.2% alcohol content) for takeout can be purchased at food stores and convenience stores for off-premise consumption only. On-premise (you can drink it here) is available at various licensed locations. Taverns, golf courses, bowling alleys and also restaurant locations that have the required beer license. Restaurants may also be licensed to serve mixed drinks and wine by the glass, provided that they meet the state food requirements. You may become as confused as most of the people who wrote the laws in some restaurants. To satisfy the variety of demands of the public, many locations will have two or more licenses. You may be sitting at a "beer" bar and see the bartender mixing a mixed drink. If you try to order one, you will be told that you have to go into the "restaurant," which may be less than 10 feet away.



The last category of license is the "Private Club" -membership establishments - but don't let this keep you from stopping in to have a drink because private clubs are easily accessible to non-members. When you enter the club you can pay a minimal fee to either join the club or to receive a visitor card which is valid for three weeks of visits. Moab has four private clubs... Club Rio located at the Rio Sports Bar & Grill on West Center Street, Frankie D's Bar & Grill at 44 West 200 North, World Famous Woody's Tavern at 221 South Main and Zax Restaurant on Main and 100 South.

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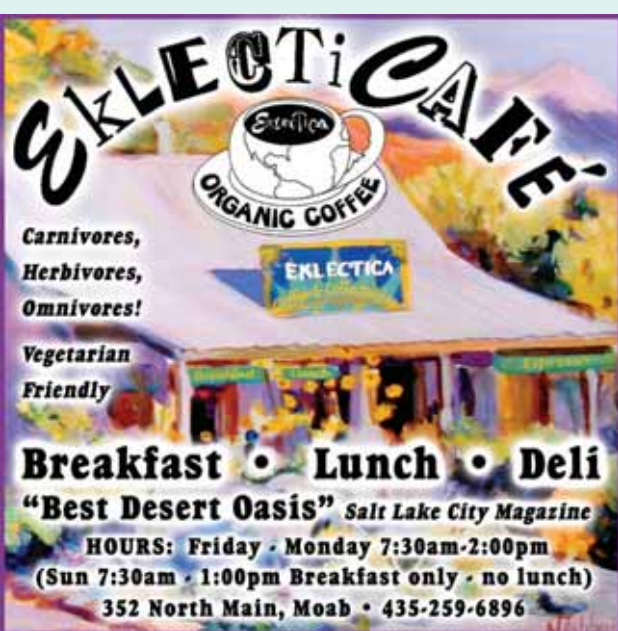


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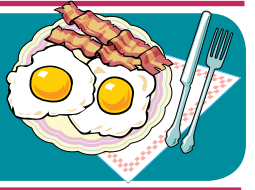
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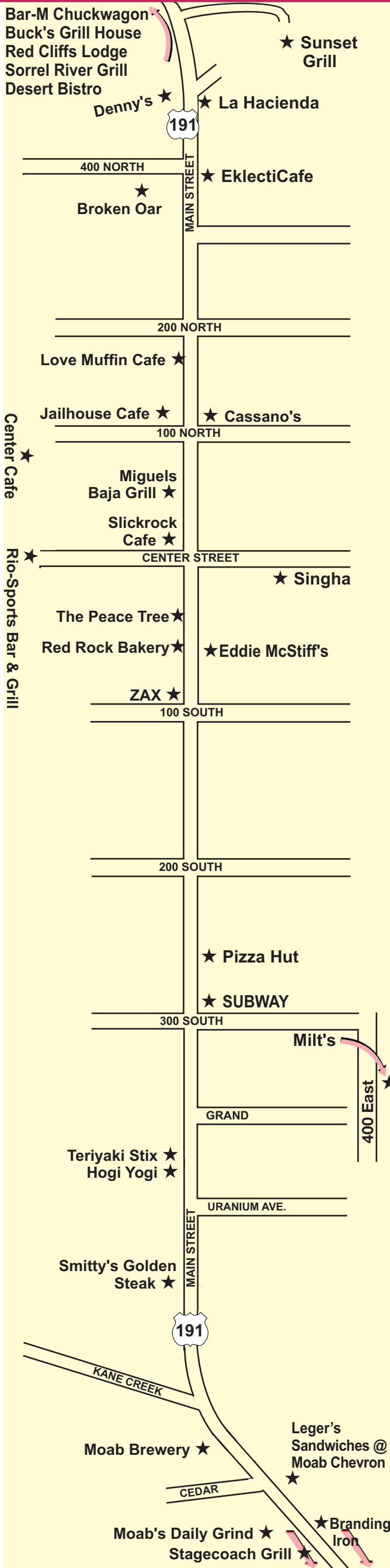
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SKY HAPPENINGS

The Sky for February 2009

By Faylene Roth

Moab UT (at City Hall)
38°34' N Latitude
109°33' W Longitude
4048 ft - 1234 m Elevation

The winter sky features two prominent star clusters. The Hyades are identified as the five stars that form the V of the bull's head in Taurus. Ten degrees northwest of the Hyades are the six visible stars of the Pleiades. Each cluster represents a cloud of cosmic dust that spawned hundreds of thousands of stars.

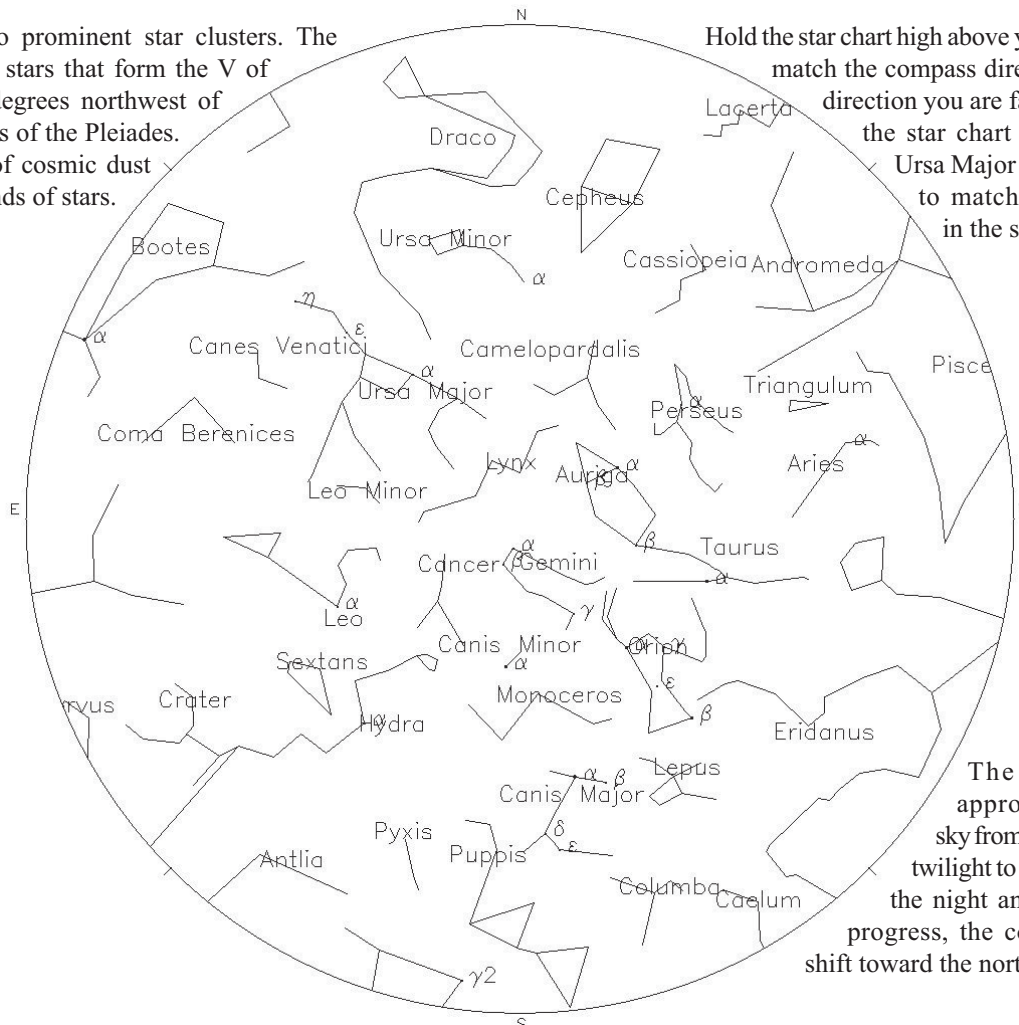
Hold the star chart high above your head and match the compass directions to the direction you are facing. Adjust the star chart by orienting Ursa Major (Big Dipper) to match its position in the sky.

February 2009

DATE	SUNRISE	SUNSET
1	7:24am	5:41pm
2	7:23am	5:42pm
3	7:22am	5:43pm
4	7:21am	5:44pm
5	7:20am	5:45pm
6	7:19am	5:46pm
7	7:18am	5:48pm
8	7:17am	5:49pm
9	7:16am	5:50pm
10	7:14am	5:51pm
11	7:13am	5:52pm
12	7:12am	5:53pm
13	7:11am	5:54pm
14	7:10am	5:55pm
15	7:09am	5:57pm
16	7:07am	5:58pm
17	7:06am	5:59pm
18	7:05am	6:00pm
19	7:04am	6:01pm
20	7:02am	6:02pm
21	7:01am	6:03pm
22	7:00am	6:04pm
23	6:58am	6:05pm
24	6:57am	6:06pm
25	6:56am	6:07pm
26	6:54am	6:08pm
27	6:53am	6:09pm
28	6:51am	6:10pm

MAJOR CONSTELLATIONS OF FEBRUARY

- Overhead**
Auriga
Canis Minor
Gemini
Orion
Taurus
- Eastward**
Cancer
Leo
Bootes
- Southward**
Canis Major
Eridanus
Lepus
- Northward**
Cassiopeia
Cepheus
Ursa Major
Ursa Minor
- Westward**
Andromeda
Aries
Perseus
Triangulum



The star chart approximates the sky from astronomical twilight to midnight. As the night and the month progress, the constellations shift toward the northwest.

VISIBLE PLANETS

- Jupiter** – By midmonth Jupiter is visible in the early dawn sky in Capricornus. It is shining at magnitude -1.9 in the southeastern sky below Mercury and above Mars. It will be difficult to see without a clear view of the eastern horizon.
- Mars** – The red-orange light of this planet makes it easy to identify. It rises soon after Jupiter in the southeastern sky. Shines at magnitude +1.3, a little dimmer than Mercury which appears above Jupiter. Mars, the lowest of a string of three planets in the morning sky will be the most difficult to see.
- Mercury** – Find Mercury in the morning sky shortly before sunrise. It's about 7 degrees above the eastern horizon so will be difficult to see in canyon country. If you can see the crescent moon on the morning of February 22, then look for Mercury directly below it, shining at magnitude +0.6.
- Saturn** – Look for Saturn as it rises in the eastern sky around 9:00pm at the beginning of the month. It follows Leo across the night sky, with Virgo trailing behind it. By the end of the month it rises at the end of twilight. Shines at magnitude +0.7. Saturn's rings are now tipped slightly towards us.
- Venus** – Find the brilliant light of Venus high in the western sky at dusk. Since Venus is an interior planet, it passes through phases just like our moon. It is now in its crescent phase, as it passes between the sun and the earth. Venus increases in brilliance over the next few weeks because of its proximity to Earth. It reaches its brightest magnitude of -4.8 on February 19.

Note: Apparent magnitude values range from -4 to +6 for most planets and visible stars. The lower the value the brighter the object. A decrease of 1.0 magnitude is 2.5 times brighter.

DAYLIGHT

Sunrise and sunset times are calculated for a flat horizon. Actual times may vary depending upon the surrounding landscape. The period of daylight lengthens by one hour and four minutes during February. Twilight extends daylength by several hours. Civil twilight provides adequate light for movement and begins about one-half hour before sunrise. Nautical twilight reveals shapes but not detail and begins approximately one hour before sunrise. Astronomical twilight illuminates the sky with a faint glow. It occurs about one and one-half hours before sunrise. The same progression applies to dusk.

MOON HAPPENINGS

February begins with a first quarter moon high in the western sky at dusk. A nearly full moon rises on the evening of February 8 at 5:03pm. Full moon occurs the following morning, February 9, at 7:49am, shortly after the moon sets. It rises that evening at 6:19pm. On the morning of February 10 the moon rises about one-half hour before Saturn. The bright star near the moon in the early hours of February 14 is Spica (in Virgo). The waning moon reaches its last quarter phase on February 16. On February 17 the bright star near the moon is Antares (in Scorpio). New moon occurs February 24 at 6:35pm. The month ends with a waxing crescent moon paired with Venus in the western sky at dusk. Actual times of moonrise may vary depending upon the surrounding landscape.

METEOR EVENTS

Fireballs are frequently observed along the ecliptic during February. Look for these large meteors, nearly as bright as Venus, high in the sky after 3:00am.

APPARENT DISTANCES IN THE SKY

Apparent distances between celestial objects are measured in degrees. The note in italics below provides a gauge for measuring these distances. You can calibrate the size of your hand with the following test. The stars of the Big Dipper span approximately 20 degrees. Castor and Pollux, the twin stars of Gemini are about 10 degrees apart. The stars in Orion's belt are separated by about 1.35 degrees. The apparent diameter of both the sun and the moon is 0.5 degrees. The sun and moon often appear larger on the horizon than they do when directly overhead. Using a pencil or your little finger to gauge the diameter at each position will show that this is an illusion. (Try this with a full moon rather than the sun so that you do not damage your eyes.)

Note: Hold your hand at arm's length to measure apparent distances in the sky. Adjust for the size of your hand. The width of the little finger approximates 1.5 degrees. Middle, ring, and little finger touching represent about 5 degrees. The width of a fist is about 10 degrees. The hand stretched from thumb to little finger equals 20 degrees. The diameter of both the full moon and the sun spans only 0.5 degree.

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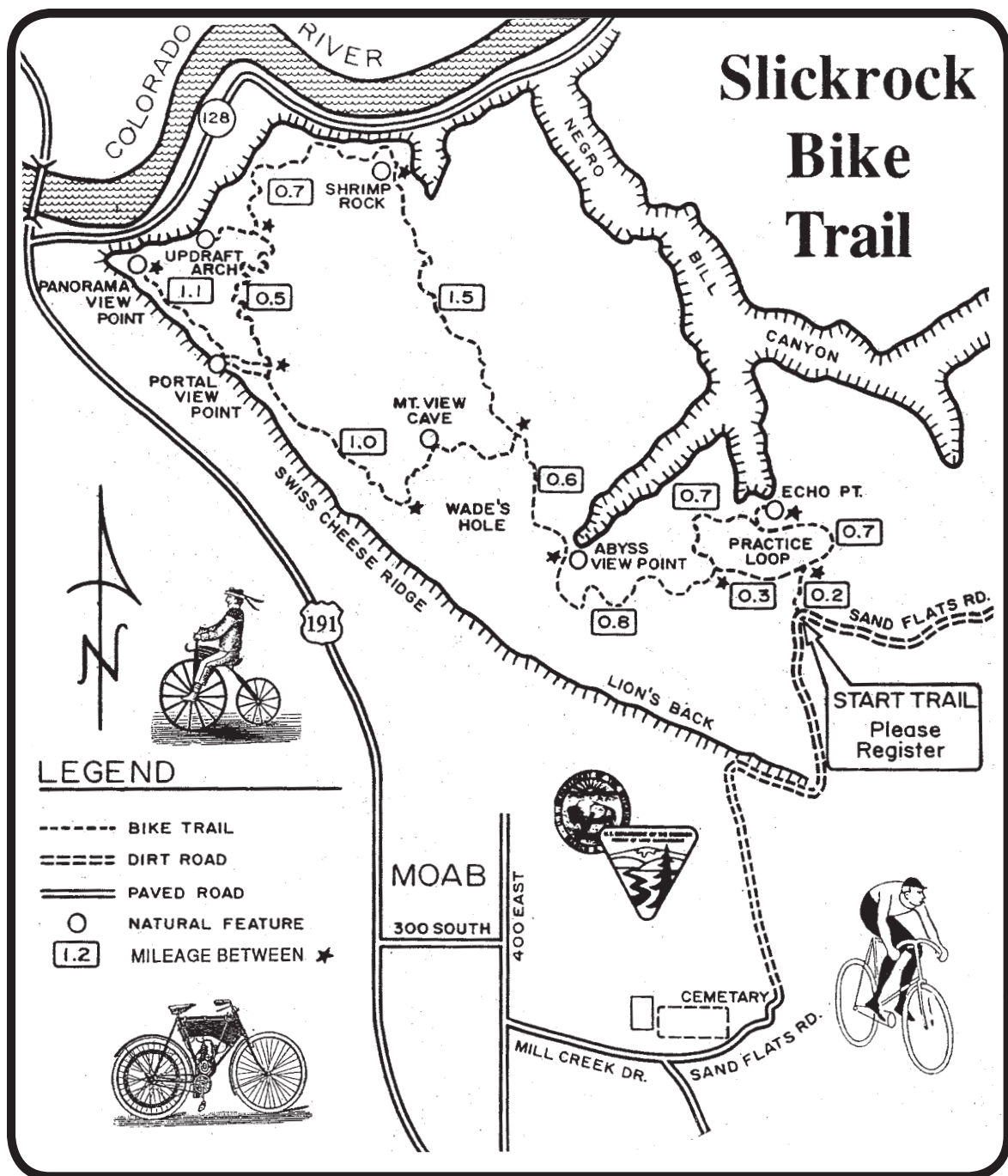
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Moab has become known worldwide as a mountain biking mecca. Varied terrain and spectacular scenery bring riders from all over the world to Moab to try the trails. One of the most famous and popular is the Slickrock trail. This trail is 12 miles of moderate-to-difficult riding on Navajo sandstone, located a few minutes from Moab.

There are many other trails and old jeep roads in the area which provide a complete variety of mountain biking challenges. Several companies in the area can provide rentals and information.

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• **MOAB SKINNY TIRE FESTIVAL, March 14-16, 2009**
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HIKING HAPPENINGS

Johnson's Up On Top – A Quick Wintertime Get Away

by Marcia Hafner

For those winter-weary sun worshipers looking for a comfortable snow-free hike, Johnson's Up On Top with its fabulous long distance vistas can't be beat. The wide-open southern exposure of this area provides the distinct advantage of quickly melting any snowfall away. Another bright note is the absence of deep shadows that have a way of chilling you down. Instead, on a clear day you can enjoy your walk in delightful, uninterrupted sunshine. I have recently discovered the plusses for hiking this time of year on Johnson's Up On Top and have made it my quick wintertime get away.

During my first hour of walking on the winding, "so easy on your knees" dirt road, I often meet up with a few hikers, joggers, and equestrians. It's a good place to bring

and then everyone spreads out on a vast expanse of terrain filled with blackbrush and Utah junipers. This landscape, which is heavily traveled by deer, stretches out and grabs me with its sprawling unrestricted viewpoints and again I can't resist the urge to continue on to see what breathtaking sights still lie ahead.

The long-lived Utah junipers are the ancient guardians of this dry landscape and their subtle green foliage brings visual relief to the otherwise dull brown color scheme. Junipers are slow to grow but long to live. Somehow they tenaciously cling to life for hundreds of years, and whenever I see one that looks half dead I wonder how many centuries have passed by since it sprouted from a tiny seed.

Commonly called cedars, Cedar Breaks National

that thickly line the streambed. Eye-catching pillars of sandstone jut far above the canyon rim. Leaning on a rock that is protected from a light breeze, I am off in my own private, meditative world. I stretch out to bask in the radiant warmth of the winter sun and lazily watch the puffy white clouds slowly drift across a magnificent deep blue sky. In the stillness of the crisp air I can hear the shrill nasal calls of a large flock of pinyon jays - those erratic wanderers who are constantly on the move in search of food.

Johnson's Up On Top is owned by the State Of Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration, commonly referred to as SITLA. It was granted to Utah by the federal government when it became a state in 1896 for the support of public schools and other institutions. The



your dog, but since there is trapping in this area, you need to keep a close eye on your canine companion. It doesn't take long on the uphill section before the entire length of Spanish Valley unfolds beneath me. The unrestricted views of Mount Tukunikivatz and South Mountain - both covered with deep snow - and the ragged ridgeline of Behind The Rocks keep luring me further up the trail for higher elevation more in-depth angles of this spectacular scenery.

Horace Johnson, who had a homestead in the south end of Spanish Valley, ran his herd of cattle up on the mesa and it became known as Johnson's Up On Top. Once I am "Up On Top" there are a multitude of roads to choose from

Monument and nearby Cedar City are named after this tree. Covering vast acreages, they and the pinyon pine are the most dominant tree species in the southwest.

The healthier trees are loaded with pea-sized gray-blue berries. The botanists, however, classify them as "cones." The berry-like, fleshy pulp is the covering on the hard-shelled female seed cone, which is readily consumed by a variety of birds and small mammals. The male and female cones are borne separately on the same tree, but the tiny pale brown male cones that grow singly or in small clusters are so obscure I have to determinedly look long and hard over an entire tree to pick them out.

Native Americans used the juniper for many purposes, including the construction of ropes, bags, and sandals. The shredded bark became the matting for their beds. They also ate the berries fresh or in cakes. Dried berries were strung into beads, a practice that still goes on now. The Hopi Indians liked it for medicinal and ceremonial reasons and the Navajo built their hogans and fence posts from the wood of the juniper. And today, just like in times gone by, it makes excellent firewood.

Where the road abruptly ends, I am looking down on the steep walls of Mill Creek Canyon and the cottonwoods

Common School Fund (public schools) owns 95% of the trust land and all its earnings are put into a permanent fund with interest and dividends distributed to it as a beneficiary. The trust land totaled 7,475,297 acres at statehood. Since then half has been sold to private owners. More than 30% of what is now private land was originally trust land. This means the strong possibility exists that some day all that I see around me on this mesa could become a destination resort named Cloudrock. But for now I relish that wonderful sense of release that getting away from the concerns and pressures of every day life brings. I am not that far from Moab and Spanish Valley and yet it feels so far, far away. So if you want to try this quick wintertime get away, do it now before the proposed resort breaks ground.

The solitude of Johnson's Up On Top is just a few minutes drive from Moab. Take Highway 191 south out of town for about five miles to the La Sal Loop Road turn-off, which dead-ends at Spanish Valley Drive. Go left for about a mile to the pump house and green gate on your right. The road is open to motorized vehicles; when it is dry, a two-wheel drive vehicle can easily negotiate it, but I highly recommend parking at the bottom so you can enjoy the pleasurable stroll up to the top.

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FILM HAPPENINGS

Filmmaker Presents Documentary in Moab

Moab will welcome filmmaker Sarah Sifers to Moab on Saturday, February 7 at a onetime screening of her award-winning documentary "Fate of the Lhapa". This feature length film documents the last three Tibetan shamans (lhapas) living in a Tibetan refuge camp in Nepal. The lhapas requested the filming because of their concern that they would die with no heirs to their healing practices. The film was envisioned as a way to transmit an endangered tradition.

Sarah C. Sifers, Ph.D. is a licensed psychotherapist as well as a scholar who has conducted ethnographic fieldwork with shamans from Siberia, Brazil, Nepal and the Navajo Reservation in Arizona. She has just returned from her annual extended trip to Nepal, where she engages in humanitarian work with the Tibetans living in exile. She has written about her experiences in Nepal for academic journals. She served as producer, director, cinematographer and sound person for "Fate of the Lhapa".

Sarah is also founder and Executive Director of Indigenous Lenses, a non-profit corporation dedicated to ethnographic, documentary film productions for educational, cultural and scientific purposes. Their emphasis is on healers and healing practices threatened with extinction. Indigenous Lenses also engages in humanitarian efforts to bring education to the girls of the communities in which they film, and to provide food and shelter to indigent Tibetan elders. They support eye and medical care for the Nepali and Tibetan communities.

"Fate of the Lhapa" became known to Moabites who attended the "Eleventh Annual Pack Creek Film Workshop" this past summer. Joanne Yaffe, Ph.D., from the University of Utah College of Social Work, was a participant at the Pack Creek event, had seen the film and encouraged Pack Creek organizer Jan Crutchfield to arrange a screening in Moab. Jan, Sarah and Jo began an email correspondence, even as Sarah was preparing to depart for her annual trip to Nepal. Weekly email updates from Sarah during her ten weeks in Nepal fed the interest in sharing this important work:

"... I made visits to each of the old ones that Indigenous Lenses supports with food and shelter. We were greeted warmly at each place. We first visited the two old women who share a small house together. ... they lived in the remote Himalayan Mountains... they could no longer take care of the animals, so came out of the mountains and settled in the Tibetan camp. They are in their 80's. They are not technically a part of the camp, so they do not get the \$5 a month stipend that the rest of the old ones receive. When we got there, they put katas (special greeting scarves) around our necks and we touched foreheads in the traditional style. They wanted to offer tea, but their propane stove had stopped working. I offered to buy them a new one (\$50) and the next time I was in the camp, we delivered it and got it set up. They were thrilled and kept turning the knobs on and off and clapping with joy. I've promised to return and have tea made on the new stove."

"... the path ... down to the river ... severely eroded ... some of the older folks can no longer make that walk down to where they wash their clothes and bathe. Indigenous Lenses donated \$1000 towards the building of a new path using stones. The stones have been delivered and set along the path."

"I am now entering my week of 'one more visit'. ... I will make one more visit to each family in the Tibetan camp ... It will be a week of many tears."



"Fate of the Lhapa" has screened at Film Festivals throughout the United States, as well as in Estonia, Italy, Canada, Finland and Russia. The week after the Moab screening, it will be in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

The screening in Moab will be at the Moab Arts and Recreation Center (the MARC, located at 111 North 400 East), Saturday, February 7 at 7:00. Immediately following the screening, there will be discussion and a reception with the filmmaker. Admission to this very special evening is on a donation basis. All proceeds will benefit Indigenous Lenses.



MOAB CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

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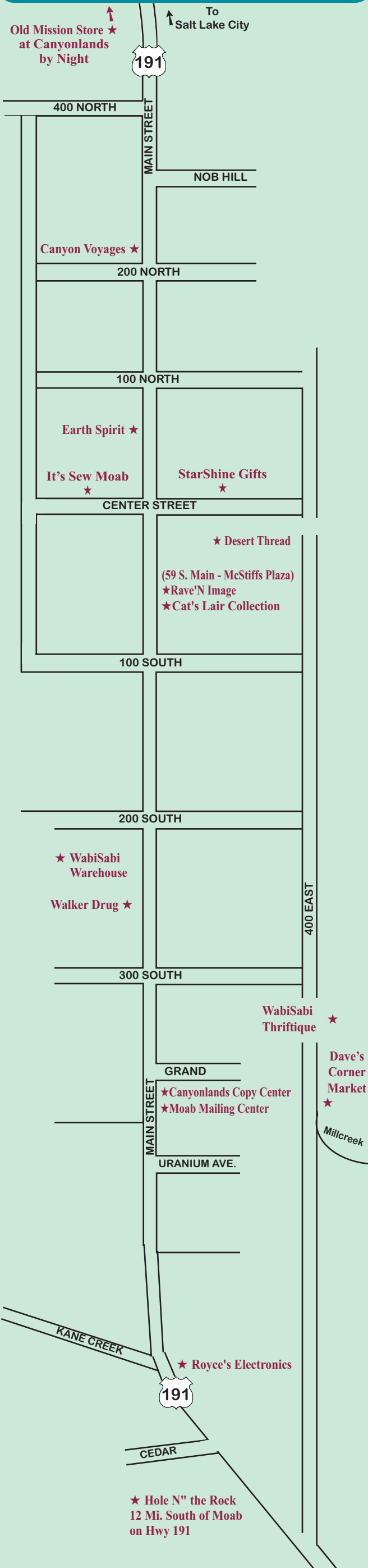
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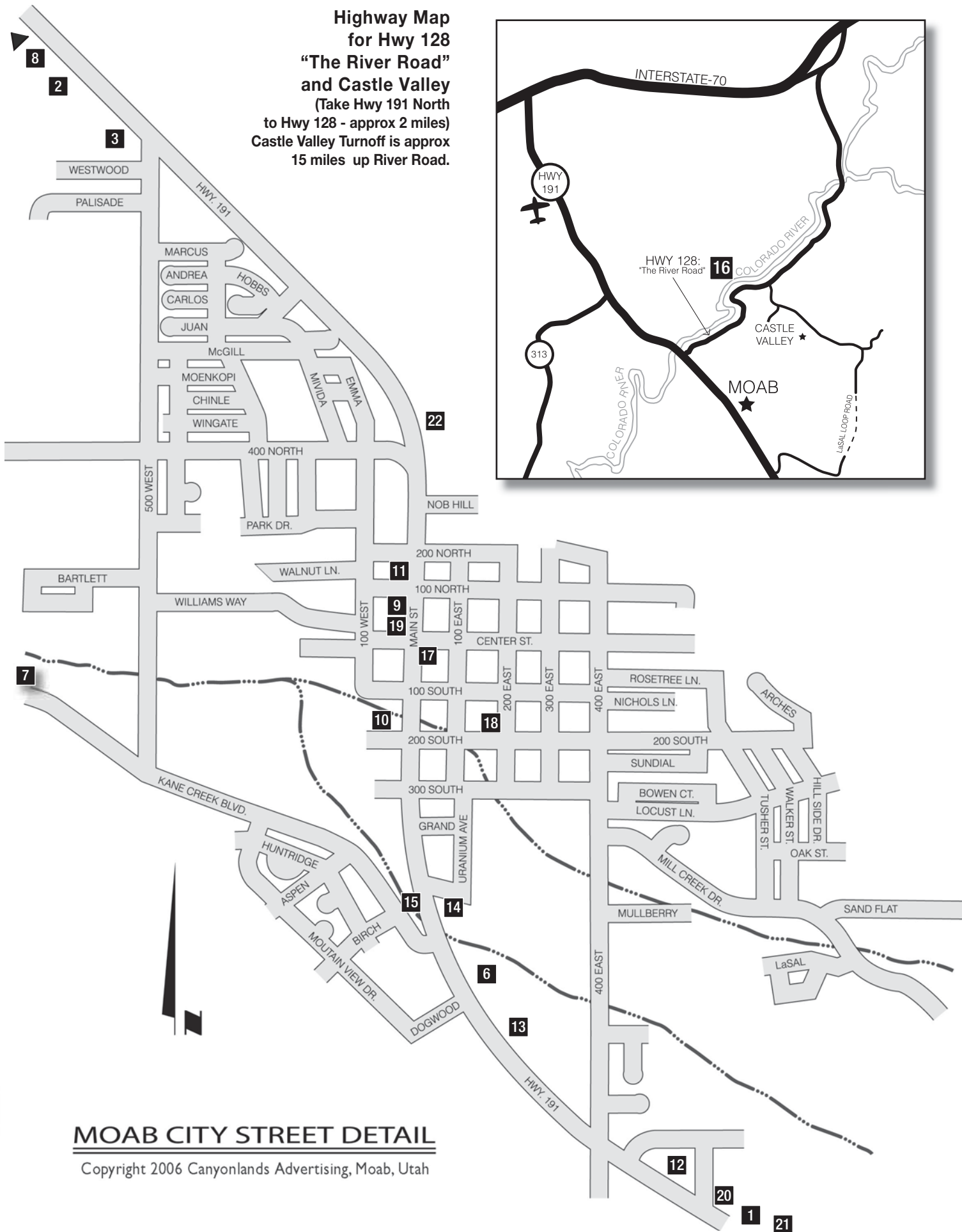
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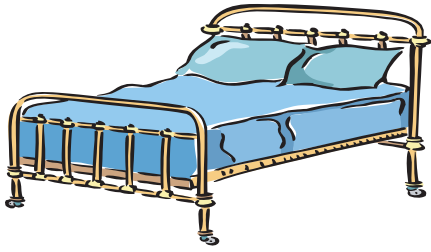
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“THE BIG TREE”

by Vicki Barker

Protesting developed as a popular pastime in Moab in the final three decades of the 20th century. One of the first protests in the 1970s and one of the last that drew attention from the big media in Salt Lake City -- on the eve of the Millennium -- were scuffles over the fate of the oldest cottonwood tree in the valley.

The “Big Tree” won the first battles in the 1970s and 1980s, when it was given the right-of-way in road-paving and sidewalk installation projects. But late in the fall of 1999, the tree was downed in three days -- despite the lady who climbed the tree and refused to leave in an attempt to save it; and in spite of several teenagers who chained themselves to the tree to delay its destruction.

By the winter of 2000, the Big Tree on 100 South was a collective memory 110 years old.

It was a sad day Sept. 28, 1999 when the tree came down, recalled Brent Williams, Moab City public works director. Just as its branches had spread far and wide across the rooftops and road, word that it was coming under the axe spread far and wide in the Mountain West. “I had people from Salt Lake City calling, calls from Denver, calls from Grand Junction,” Williams said. “There were a lot of sad people.”

“Just everyone loved that tree, and everyone hated to see it go, when it started tipping,” added Dave Olsen, Moab community development director.

What killed the tree in the end was not “progress,” but a rotten system. The roots of the giant Fremont poplar -- commonly called a cottonwood -- had rotted and only one large root was sustaining the tree by the time the Public Works Dept. uprooted it. Jim Davis, who later incorporated the stump into the playground at Rotary Park, first topped the tree, then “we pulled it down with a loader,” said Williams.

As he directed the toppling of the old tree, Williams

remembered the many times he’d played in the cottonwood as a child, stealing away from his grandmother “Maid” Johnson’s house near the tree, to go climbing. “I’d go as far up as I could and scare my mom.”

Kyle and Carrie Bailey, former owners of an apartment complex on 100 South they named “The Cottonwoods” after the tree, remember that branches had started breaking off and falling into the road. Williams said the lean of

planting the cottonwood in 1880 as part of a block square of trees surrounding his property.

Williams said the old cottonwood measured 75 feet tall, its trunk nine feet in diameter in its last days. It took three days to haul the hulk away in pieces, and a number of people showed up at the city shop to salvage a piece of old Moab flora. Nick Eason, now retired from the National Park Service, recalls being gifted by then-Mayor Karla

Hancock with a chunk of the tree. Eason pursued a hobby of carving, and Hancock admired his work. Eason said he has yet to decide what form the wood will take, but it’s a piece he cherishes.

Olsen composed an informational sign along with photographs of the tree to put up by the tree’s remains at Rotary Park. However, at least two children were injured in falls from the stump at the playground in recent years, and though no one sued over the accidents, Williams questioned the wisdom of leaving such a temptation there, especially when his own four-year-old grandson climbed up, triumphantly unattended, and sent visions of broken bones through his grandpa’s head.

Williams hauled the stump off to the dump. Olsen followed. They agreed to return two pieces to the park that had broken apart in transport, and now they are pondering what to make of the remnants. Wood furniture? Some type of wooden musical instruments? Olsen is open to ideas.

Meantime, one of two branches that Brig Larsen and Olsen saved and transplanted from the tree when it was downed appears to be thriving at its new homesite on 300 South 100 East. Olsen said cottonwood branches often survive when planted in the ground, especially if they are planted with rooting chemicals and tended -- and if they come from a tough, gnarly old tree like the Big Tree of 100 South.

“The genetics of that tree could produce another whopper. Who knows?”



The biggest cottonwood tree in Moab just about the time it turned 100.

Photo by Dwain C. Barker

the tree was gaining as much as four inches a day. It had become unsafe.

Ring dating placed the planting of the big cottonwood in the late 1880s or as late as 1890. Bailey said he’s been told his great-great grandfather, Randolph H. Stewart, planted the tree along with many others on his property, which later comprised most of the Moab townsite. Stewart arrived around 1880 and in 1881 became bishop of the first organized ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, according to “Grand Memories,” a history of Moab by the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers.

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