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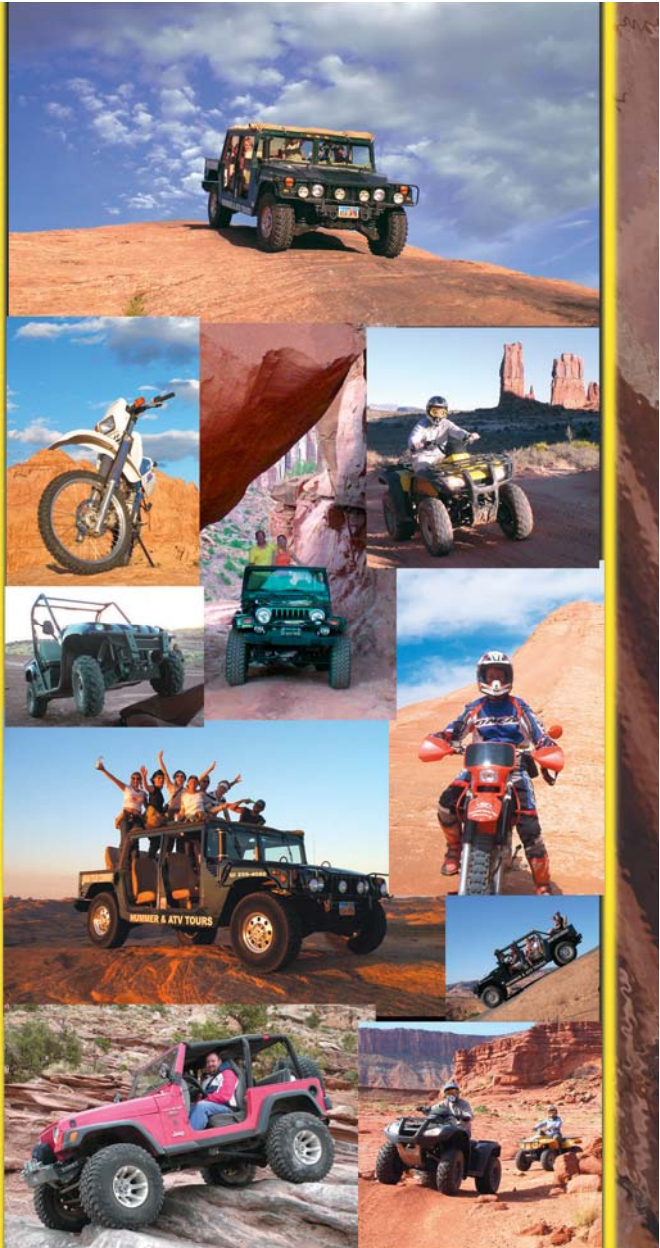
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## Elephant Revival Concert: Benefit for Education

On March 20, 2010 the group "Elephant Revival", a hit performer at the 2009 Moab Folk Festival, is returning to the Grand County High School for a fundraising concert to benefit the Grand County School District. All ticket sale proceeds will be donated by the Moab Folk Festival to the Grand County Education Foundation (501(c)(3)) and earmarked for support of arts and music education, and athletics. Tickets for the 7pm show are \$10 and will be sold at the Canyonlands Copy Center and Ryon Jones CPA Office beginning March 5, 2010.

The neo-acoustic quintet, Elephant Revival (ER) is on the cutting edge of an emerging new genre known as "Transcendental Folk", brimming with poised folk ballads, modern Celtic fiddle dirges, hints of blues and Appalachia. The benefit concert was first pitched to Moab Folk Festival producer, Melissa Schmaedick, by Mike Toninelli and Ed DeFrancia, after two highly successful assembly performances by the band in November 2009. Elephant Revival band



members, enamoured with their positive reception by the Moab student community, readily accepted the offer to support the District's funding needs. The production of the benefit concert has also drawn from several other generous businesses and individuals who have donated their resources and time to ensure that production costs are offset and the greatest possible return to the students is guaranteed.

"It is wonderful to see so many individuals and businesses within the community coming together to support this effort," says Melissa Schmaedick. Schmaedick concluded, "While funding support is needed on many levels to address the current shortfall in the Grand County School District budget, we are excited to support a part of education that our event believes is an integral part of a student's education: creativity and self-expression that is fostered by arts and athletics. We hope to be able to produce additional benefit concerts throughout the year so that we can contribute to the PK-6th grade students, too."

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- 4 Tree Workshop with YGP & TreeUtah, 3-5pm  
 Held at Youth Garden Project. Learn how to select, plant & maintain fruit & shade trees successfully in Moab. Hands on experience in how to plant a tree, so wear your work clothes & join the fun. \$ 5 suggested donation. Call 259-2326 to register.
- 4 Rare Book Seminar 7-9pm, Back of Beyond Books  
 Introduction to collecting & identifying rare books. Proprietor Andy Nettell will introduce the growing field of rare book collecting & walk through simple ways to identify & handle collectible books. Will look at examples from the Back of Beyond stock & you're welcome to bring up to 3 books to try to determine the potential value. For more information, call Andy 435-259-5154
- 5 Nice Jewish Girls Gone Bad, Frankie D's, 8:00pm  
 Straight from our recent Off Broadway run. Last year Nice Jewish Girls Gone Bad doubled the Jewish population of Moab and sold out the house. There was so much love for us that we are coming back for more with a slightly different show. We are teaming up with Good For the Jews as they celebrate Jewish traditions and history with unorthodox, irreverent and-of course-HILARIOUS songs about bar mitzvahs, Purim and Mel Gibson's stupidity. It is two shows for the price of one. \$ 10 tickets.
- 6 "Historic Pueblo Weaving" Edge of the Cedars, Blanding, Utah  
 Held at EOC State Park/Museum, in Blanding, Utah from 10am-12noon. with Dr. Laurie Webster. Free & open to everyone. Workshop series explores weaving traditions of the Hopi, Zuni, and Rio Grande Pueblos and the significance of textiles and weaving in Pueblo culture. Dr. Laurie Webster is an anthropologist and textile consultant residing in Mancos, Colorado. She is a visiting scholar in the Dept. of Anthropology at the University of Arizona. 435-678-2238
- 10 Second Wednesday Book Club, Grand County Library  
 Rabbit-Proof Fence by Doris Pilkington is March's book selection. All are welcome - 6:00 pm in the Library's Board Room. Books are provided by the Utah Humanities Council and are available for checkout at the Library. 435-259-1111
- 11 "Four Corners Migrations and Abandonment" , Blanding  
 Held at Edge of the Cedars State Park Museum, Blanding, Utah with Dr. Bill Lipe @ 6:30 pm. Free and open to all! Call 435-678-2238
- 12 "Wild West 'Shrew' ", Grand County High School, 7:30pm  
 Fast-paced production of the Shakespeare play "Taming of the Shrew" presented with a representation of the untamed Old West that will be colorful and larger than life. It is a roller coaster ride for audiences, with love the biggest game of all. This ultimate battle of the sexes will demonstrate how far women have come. The key message of "Shrew" is how people should treat each other. Each year the Festival creates a production of a Shakespeare classic to visit communities across four western states. Suggested minimum donation to the Grand County Education Foundation is \$ 5.00 for students & seniors & \$ 8.00 for adults.
- 12-16 Skinny Tire Festival  
 Four days of fully supported road cycling highlighting Moab's different road riding opportunities. The first and last day follow the mighty Colorado River upstream and downstream passing along towering redrock walls and ancient puebloan petroglyphs. The second and third days leave the valley and climb the beautiful canyon roads into red rock country to Dead Horse Point State Park and through Arches National Park. Channel the energy of riding through this grandeur by putting purpose behind your cycling. This event has raised over \$1.6 million for cancer survivorship/research/treatment programs including funding of the Moab Cancer Treatment and Resource Center. For more info contact (435) 259-2698 or visit www.skinnytireevents.com. See article on page 6B and ad on page 3B
- 13 Globe At Night Star Count, 6:45pm  
 Join Red Rock Astronomers for this year's star count...SW corner of the lower field at Old City Park. Sponsored by WabiSabi. Bring warm clothes, a chair or blanket, and a flashlight. Inclement weather reschedules to Sunday, 3/14, same time. Call 259-4743 or 259-3313 for verification of rescheduling. See Sky Happenings pg.14A for more information.
- 13 Open Show, Old Spanish Trail Arena, 11:00am -3:00pm.  
 Youth only practice show and show volunteer training. Moab Horse Show Association. moabhorse@yahoo.com 259-8240
- 13 Moab Art Walk 6:00-9:00pm  
 Stroll Moab's galleries, shops, and cafés and view fine locally created, Moab art. The Moab Art Walk includes featured artists and receptions. Framed Image, Overlook Gallery, Tom Till Gallery, Western Image, Moab Arts & Recreation Center, Red Rock Bakery & Café and Back of Beyond Books / Arches Book Company. Most exhibits run for a month or more so feel free to stop in anytime at participating locations. See map & article on page 6A www.moabartwalk.com
- 13 Early Bird Book Sale at Grand County Library, 10am-4pm.  
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# MORE MOAB AREA EVENTS

## March 2010 events, continued

- 14 Daylight Savings Time Begins!  
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- 14 7th Annual Moab Studio Tour 12:00 to 6:00pm  
A unique and free event designed to bring artist and art-lover together in the spaces where the art is born. The tour offers a unique opportunity to visit with Moab-based visual artists, see recent work, learn a bit about the process behind the artist's creations, and, perhaps, observe a demonstration. This is a great opportunity to purchase works directly from the artist. Keep an eye out for directional signs that will lead you to the participating studios. Also, directions to each studio are listed on the artist page on website [www.moabstudiotour.com](http://www.moabstudiotour.com). See article on page 2B
- 15-27 Grand County Library Book Sale,  
Held at 257 East Center during regular library hours.  
Books, Audiobooks, DVDs and Videos.  
All items being offered for the first time.
- 15 7th Annual Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour  
Held at Grand County High School Auditorium 7:00pm. The best of this year's films on mountain sport and culture. This year the tradition of showing exhilarating adrenaline films along with a captivating cultural film will continue. \$10 advance tickets @ Poison Spider Bicycles, Canyon Voyages Adventure Co., Pagan Mountaineering & Back of Beyond Books. \$12 at the door. See article on page 10B, ad on page 2A
- 17 **ST. PATRICK'S DAY**
- 19-20 "Fictional Animals", Historic Star Hall @ 7:00pm  
Moab Community Theatre presents a collage of theatrical shorts exploring the pleasures and perils of intimate human relationships, written by Moab resident Chaz Howard.  
For mature audiences (language). Tickets are \$8 advance @ Arches Book Company/\$10 door. Questions? Call 259-9314. See article on page 13B and ad on this page.
- 20 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Canyonlands Half Marathon & Five Mile Run  
Full details and registration information is available at [www.moabhalfmarathon.org](http://www.moabhalfmarathon.org) or call 435-259-4525. See article on pg 1B.
- 20 "Elephant Revival", Grd Co High School, 7:00pm.  
A hit performer at the 2009 Moab Folk Festival, "Elephant Revival" is returning to the Grand County High School for a fundraising concert to benefit the Grand County School District. All ticket sale proceeds will be donated by the Moab Folk Festival to the Grand County Education Foundation (501(c)(3)) and earmarked for support of arts and music education, and athletics. Tickets for the 7pm show are \$10 and will be sold at the Canyonlands Copy Center and Ryon Jones CPA Office  
See article on page 3A.
- 21 "Fictional Animals", Star Hall, 2:00pm  
Moab Community Theatre presents a collage of theatrical shorts exploring the pleasures and perils of intimate human relationships, written by Moab resident Chaz Howard. For mature audiences (language). Tickets are \$8 advance/\$10 door. Questions? Call 259-9314. See article on page 13B.
- 23 Donkey Basketball 7:30pm, Grd County Middle School Gym, High School Faculty & Basketball Team vs Middle School Faculty & 8th Grade Basketball Team. Riding Donkeys in the gym. \$10 tickets. Grand County Education Foundation Benefit event.
- 23 Beliss Southwest Tour 2010, Eddie McStiff's 7:00pm  
Beliss is a West coast acousto-electric guitar/bass/ukulele sister-duo specializing in original compositions. No cover.
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- 26 Moab Poets & Writers Open MIC, 6:30pm  
Jailhouse Café, 101 N. Main Street.  
For more info, call Marcia 259-6197
- 27 Equine Vaccination Clinic, Old Spanish Trail Arena  
10 am - 12 noon with Dr. Sorenson. West Nile, 5-Way and Coggins. Questions call Helen Sue 435-259-7239
- 27-28 24 Hours of Utah Team Relay & Solo Challenge  
This year's race will be run on the Monitor and Merrimac trail 16 miles north of Moab. Racers will run 5.37 mile laps with approximately 430' of climbing per loop. With an average high of 68 F and an average low of 38 F this is an amazing location for a 24 hour race. Camping is available at the Base Camp area and will be available starting on Friday night. [www.24HourstheRun.com](http://www.24HourstheRun.com)
- 27-28 Moab 100 Endurance Race  
This year's race will be run on the Monitor and Merrimac trail 16 miles north of Moab. Racers will run 6 mile laps and approximately 7000' of climbing for the entire 100 miles. This race allows 30 hours to finish. All runners who do not complete the run in the allotted time will automatically be entered into the 24 Hours of Moab (Run solo category) and will be given an official distance. [www.24HourstheRun.com](http://www.24HourstheRun.com)

March 27 – April 4 Easter Jeep Safari  
This week long event consists of trail rides, mostly day long trips, departing from Moab. The Red Rock 4-Wheelers of Moab officially runs approximately 9 different trails every day, with "Big Saturday" culminating in the largest ever single trail ride departure happening - around 30 groups line up in down town Moab to head off in every direction for 30 different trails! For more info visit [rr4w.com](http://rr4w.com) Note: This massive week-long event is one of the largest events of the year for Moab. Please make your camping/lodging reservations as early as possible! Pick up a copy of the Easter Jeep Safari special event newspaper in racks around town for all the details.

## 2010 Events

- March 27-April 4 Easter Jeep Safari  
April 1 Moab Art Walk  
April 3 Moab Jeweler Show  
April 21-24 4th Annual UTV Rally  
April 23-25 April Action Car Show  
April 24 2nd Annual Local Arts & Crafts Fair  
April 29-May 2 Moab Photography Symposium  
April 29- May 2 Moab Spring Quarter Horse Show  
May 1 Four Corners Indian Art Market  
May 1-2 Gran Fondo Timed Cycling Event  
May 8 Moab Art Walk  
May 12-15 Rally on the Rocks UTV event  
May 14-15 Moab Superjam Outdoor Concert  
May 24 Moab Chamber Spring Swing  
May 27-30 Desert Rocks Music Festival  
May 29-30 18th Annual Moab Arts Festival  
June 3-5 Canyonlands PRCA Rodeo  
June 6 Free fishing day for everyone in Utah  
June 12 Moab Art Walk  
June 16-18 Tribal Sands Belly Dance Festival  
June 26 Moonshadows in Moab  
July 4 Independence Day Celebration  
September 2-13 Moab Music Festival  
September 4-6 Labor Day Red Rock 4 Wheelers Campout  
September 5 Moab Studio Tour  
September 11 Moab Art Walk  
September 17-19 Moab Century Tour  
September 23-26 Moab Fall Quarter Horse Show  
October 1-7 Moab Plein Air Festival  
October 7-10 Gem & Mineral Show  
October 7-10 Moab Outerbike Demo Event  
October 9 Moab Art Walk  
October 9-10 24 Hours of Moab  
October 17 The Other Half Marathon  
October 21-24 Confluence: Celebration of Reading & Writing  
October 30 Annual Pumpkin Chuckin' Festival  
October TBA Annual Chile Ho-Down Bike Festival  
November 5-7 Moab Folk Festival  
November 13 Moab Art Walk

December 4  
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December 4  
Winter Sun 10k

December 5  
Moab Studio Tour

December 11  
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# FICTIONAL ANIMALS

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# ART WALK HAPPENINGS

## Moab Art Walk, Saturday March 13<sup>th</sup> from 6pm to 9pm

This Saturday help kick off Moab's Spring Art Walk by visiting Moab's finest art galleries. Art Walk will be held on March 13th from 6:00pm-9:00pm. Local and regional artists will be on hand at to discuss their art at participating galleries. Come and enjoy a wide variety of art including oil paintings, ceramics, photography, and handcrafted jewelry. More information is available on the Art Walk web site at [www.moabartwalk.com](http://www.moabartwalk.com).

To jump-start fund-raising for Plein Air Moab '10, Art Festival and Outdoor Painting Competition this October, 10% of sales at The Overlook Gallery before and during Art Walk this Saturday will go directly to Plein Air Moab. See [pleinairmoab.com](http://pleinairmoab.com) for details! The Overlook Gallery is located at 83 East Center Street.

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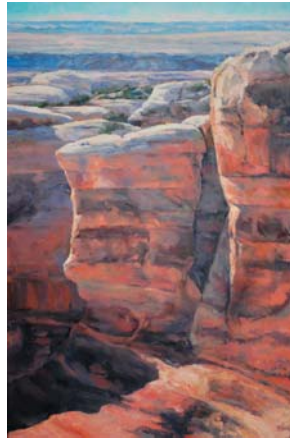
The Red Rock Bakery and Café will be featuring local artists Sandi Snead and Robin Straub. The exhibit highlights travel with a selection of works from Florida to California to France. Red Rock Bakery and Café is located at 74 S Main Street.

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### Back of Beyond Books / Arches Book Company

presents paintings by Charlie Johnston. A 2007 Artist in Residence in Grand Canyon, Charlie wants to contribute something of the beauty and solitude in nature to present and future generations. 83-89 N Main, Moab, UT 84532  
[www.backofbeyondbooks.com](http://www.backofbeyondbooks.com)  
[www.archesbookcompany.com](http://www.archesbookcompany.com)



### The Western Image Page Holland

"The Western Image is excited to be back on Main Street at 39 North Main. Local artist Page Holland will be demonstrating in acrylics and displaying new work. Come see our new digs!"

39 North Main Street Moab, UT  
435-259-3006  
[www.moabartists.com](http://www.moabartists.com)



### The Red Rock Bakery and Cafe

Sandi Snead and Robin Straub Travel. A selection of works from Florida to California to France. 74 S Main Street Moab, UT 84532  
435-259-5941

1-MARC  
111 E 100 N

2-OVERLOOK GALLERY  
83 E CENTER ST

3-THE WESTERN IMAGE  
39 North Main Street

4-FRAMED IMAGE  
FINE ART GALLERY  
59 E CENTER ST

5-TOM TILL GALLERY  
61 N MAIN

6-BACK OF BEYOND &  
ARCHES BOOK CO.  
83-89 N MAIN ST

7-RED ROCK BAKERY  
AND CAFE  
74 S Main Street

[www.moabartwalk.com](http://www.moabartwalk.com)

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### Moab Arts & Recreation Center

Moab Arts & Recreation Center Youth Garden Project Farmers Market Poster Contest. In conjunction with the Youth Garden Project, the MARC will be showcasing entries for the Farmers Market Poster contest. Come on in and vote for your favorite!

111 E. 100 N. Moab, UT  
435-259-6272  
[www.moabmarc.com](http://www.moabmarc.com)  
[marcinfo@moabcity.org](mailto:marcinfo@moabcity.org)



# RESTAURANT GUIDE



**Moab's ONLY ON-SITE Microbrewery & Restaurant**  
 State Liquor Licensee  
**Orders To Go Beer To Go**  
 PATIO SEATING  
 KIDS MENU

SEAFOOD • SANDWICHES • STEAKS • SALADS  
 BURGERS • VEGETARIAN FOODS • DAILY SPECIALS

LUNCH & DINNER 7 DAYS - OPEN 11:30 AM  
**686 South Main • 259-6333**  
 (McDonald's is next to us)

## How To Get A Drink... ...In Moab, Utah.

Utah has a well-earned reputation as a challenging state in which to get any form of alcoholic drink. Moab is even more interesting because of having two legal wineries and one microbrewery.

Moab has two local wineries; Castle Creek Winery, located at the Red Cliffs Resort, 15 miles from Moab on Scenic Highway 128, The River Road – (see ad on page 3) Spanish Valley Vineyards, located just off Highway 191, South of Moab about 6 miles on Zimmerman Lane. Both wineries have on-site tasting rooms and wine available for sale. Utah State Liquor Stores also sell many local wines. If you would like to try some of these award winning vintages, look for restaurants serving these wines.

The Moab Brewery, Moab's only microbrewery, offers a variety of locally brewed beers at their own location, as well as being available at other restaurants in town. Many flavors are on sale at retail stores in Moab as well in the



**The Rio Sports Bar & Grill**  
 Affordable Drinks & Food!  
**Fully Stocked Bar**  
 Serving Beer, Liquor and Wine  
 Largest Liquor Selection in Moab!  
**Weekly Bar Specials**

Nightly Entertainment

**COLDEST BEER IN TOWN!**  
**The Locals Bar**  
 1 Block West of Main on Center Street  
**259-6666 • www.theriomoab.com**  
**OPEN EVERYDAY at 3pm**

VISITORS WELCOME! Must be 21 years or older



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Buy One 6" Sandwich, Chips & Two Regular Drinks...and get 2nd 6" Sandwich FREE with this coupon!  
 (2nd sandwich of equal or lesser value)  
 Offer good with coupon at Moab Location Only - Across from City Market

Buy any Teriyaki Stix Entree and Two Regular Drinks & get a 2nd Entree FREE!  
 (2nd entree of equal or lesser value)  
 Offer good with coupon at Moab Location Only - across from City Market

396 So. Main • Open Everyday • 259-2656  
 One Coupon per Customer per day

**Teriyaki Stix™**  
 Japanese Grill



**Authentic Pizza Napoletana**  
 Visit us at 90 N. Main, Moab UT

Handmade from fresh local and imported italian ingredients Fuoco maintains the essence of traditional flavors and light crust people have come to expect from authentic Napoletana pizza.

Spring Hours: Tuesday-Sunday, 12-8pm  
 Hours pending weather and supply of handmade dough.

**FUOCO**  
 Pizza Napoletana  
 Fuoco: Italian For "Fire"

Open Everyday 7am-4pm Mon-Sat 7am-3pm Sun



**RED ROCK BAKERY**  
 A Quality Scratch Bakery with fast, friendly service.  
 Internet Café • Dine-in or Take-Out  
 Now Serving Organic Fresh Moab Coffee  
 74 South Main • Moab, UT 84532 • 435-259-5941

Salt Lake City area. If you enjoy these locally produced products, be sure to ask for a list of locations where you may purchase them when you return home.

The Utah State Liquor Store is the only location to purchase bottled liquor and beer with an alcoholic content above 3.2%. The Moab store is located at 55 West 200 South and is open from Monday through Saturday (11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. - November 1st to May 1st and from 11:00 am to 9:00 pm - May 1st to November 1st.) They are closed on Sundays and Holidays. Beer (3.2% alcohol content) for take-out can be purchased at food stores and convenience stores for off-premise consumption only.




**The Branding Iron STEAKHOUSE, BBQ & GRILL**

DINNER AT 5PM  
 7 DAYS A WEEK

Featuring:  
**Prime Rib**  
**BBQ Baby Backs**  
**Broiled Steaks**  
 FULL SERVICE LIQUOR LICENSE

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 3 miles south of Moab • NOW OPEN!

**JAILHOUSE CAFE**

101 NORTH MAIN STREET

**Moab's Breakfast Place**

Now Serving Espresso!  
 Open 7 am to 12 Noon

"Good Enough for a Last Meal"

On-premise (you can drink it here) is available at various licensed locations, including taverns, golf courses, bowling alleys, and restaurants that have the required beer license. Restaurants may be licensed to serve mixed drinks and wine by the glass, provided that they have a liquor license and offer food service. Last but not least, Utah law forbids open containers in or about any motor vehicle. A blood alcohol level of 0.08% (0.05% if you have a child in the car with you) is the maximum allowable under Utah Code to be declared "driving under the influence."



**Singha**  
 Authentic Thai Cuisine

Lunch: Monday - Saturday 11:00 - 3:00 p.m.  
 Dinner: Monday - Sunday 5:00 - 9:30 p.m.

Now Serving Beer, Wine & Saki

92 E.Center Street  
 Moab, Utah 84532  
 Tel: 435-259-0039  
 Fax: 435-259-0005

# RESTAURANT GUIDE





# RESTAURANT

**Celebrating 29 Years!**  
Spicing your Life since 1981



**LA HACIENDA RESTAURANT**  
Mexican American

OPEN DAILY AT 11 AM • SERVING LUNCH AND DINNER  
DAILY SPECIALS • VEGETARIAN FRIENDLY


574 NORTH MAIN • MOAB, UTAH • 435-259-6319  
State Liquor Licensee



**RED CLIFFS LODGE COWBOY GRILL**

- Buffet Breakfast
- BBQ Lunch
- Riverfront Patio Dining

16 Miles east of Moab  
on Scenic Highway 128  
259-2002



**EklectiCafe**  
ORGANIC COFFEE

Carnivores,  
Herbivores,  
Omnivores!  
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**Breakfast • Lunch**  
"Best Desert Oasis" Salt Lake City Magazine  
HOURS  
7 Days A Week 7:00am-2:30pm  
352 North Main, Moab • 435-259-6896

Your Home Town



**Pizza Hut**

265 South Main, Moab  
Open Daily • 259-6345  
Sunday - Thursday 11 am - 10:00 pm  
Friday/Saturday 11:00 am - 11:00 pm  
Pick-Up or Delivery Available

**Bar M Chuckwagon**  
7000 North Highway 191 259-BAR-M(2276)  
Dinner  
Live Western Show & Cowboy supper. Gunfights, games, saloon, gift shop. Fun evening activity for all ages. 4 miles North of Arches National Park entrance on Hwy 191. Beer Available. Call for information about private parties & special events. **Closed for season.**

**Branding Iron Bar & Grill**  
2971 South Highway 191 259-6275  
Dinner at 5pm  
Western style family restaurant. Home of the Moab Super Burger. New Specials, Great Food. Prime Rib every night. Open 7 days a week. Full Service Liquor License.

**Buck's Grill House & Vista Lounge**  
1393 North Highway 191 259-5201  
Dinner  
Don't think you can find casual elegance in the desert? Think again. Buck's Grill House offers fine dining in a relaxed, yet elegant atmosphere with some of the best food in the West. For a special evening out, this is the place to share an exceptional meal with your favorite friends. You'll never be disappointed at Buck's. Vista Lounge is a sophisticated adult environment offering cocktails along with dining.

**Burger King**  
606 South Main 259-2700

**Cassano's Italian Restaurant**  
11 East 100 North 259-6018  
Open daily 12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Come in and join us for home made sauces and hand tossed pizzas and paninis. Moab's new traditional Italian restaurant is located in the old Poplar Place. Patio seating available so you can dine alfresco and bask in splendid red rock views. Great choice for take out and catering. State Liquor License

**City Market**  
425 S. Main 259-5181

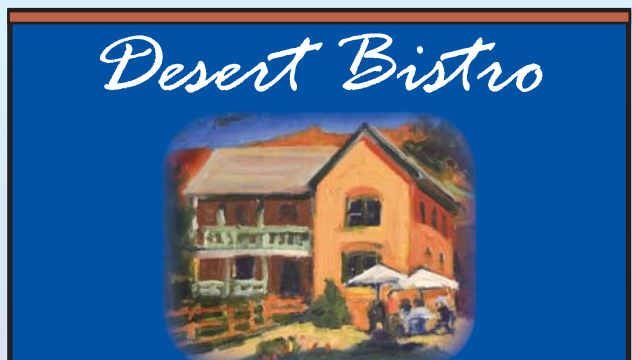
**Cowboy Grill at Red Cliffs Resort**  
16 Miles up Highway 128 259-2002  
Lunch • Dinner  
Breakfast Buffet 6:30 - 9:30 Sat & Sun only  
RIVER FRONT TABLES inside and out overlooking the Mighty Colorado. American menu. Steaks, chops, fish, fowl, pasta. Featuring local wines from Castle Creek Winery, located on site. Western Hospitality in a casual atmosphere. Make your reservations for weddings and private parties.

**Denny's**  
989 North Highway 191 259-8839  
Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner  
MOAB'S ONLY 24 HOUR RESTAURANT. Family dining at affordable prices. Over 100 menu items including Seniors menu, daily Special and Fit Fare for the health conscious. Ask about "Kids eat Free". Take out menu available. Reservations for large parties and buses welcome. Great food and Great Service by Great People. EVERYTIME!

**Desert Bistro**  
1266 N Hwy 191 at Moab Springs Ranch 259-0756  
Owners/Chef Karl & Michelle Kelley invite you to enjoy a relaxed evening of dining at our new location. Nightly specials, fresh fish, game, choice meats, handmade pastas, bread and desserts. Beautiful patio for outdoor dining.

**Eddie McStiff's Restaurant & Brew Pub**  
57 South Main Street 259-BEER  
Dinner • 3:00 p.m. Nightly  
12 beers on tap. Brick Oven Organic Pizza. Southwestern, Pasta, Great Salads! Natural/Choice Aged Steaks, Burgers. Kids Menu. State Liquor Licensee. Pool Tables. Patio Dining. Discount for Seniors 65 and older. FREE WIRELESS INTERNET! Pizza Delivery to Main Street Hotels.

*Desert Bistro*



Casual Fine Dining  
Contemporary Southwestern Cuisine  
Located in the Historic Ranch House  
at Moab Springs Ranch

1266 N Hwy 191 • 259-0756  
STATE LIQUOR LICENSEE

**EklectiCafe**  
352 North Main Street 259-6896  
Breakfast • Lunch  
Open 7 days a week 7:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.  
Daily Breakfast & Lunch Specials. Homemade soups & quiche. Traditional & ethnic dishes. Famous for our scrambled tofu and vegetarian cuisine! Winner "BEST DESERT OASIS" Salt Lake Mag. August 2002!

**Fiesta Mexicana**  
202 South Main Street 259-4366

**Frankie D's Bar & Grill**  
44 West 200 North 259-2654

**Fuoco Pizza Napoletana**  
90 North Main  
Spring hours - Tuesday-Sunday, 12-8pm  
Visit our outdoor venue and enjoy authentic Pizza Napoletana. Handmade from fresh local and imported Italian ingredients. Fired in an Italian wood oven, capable of reaching 1100 F, ensuring a traditional blend of flavors and light crust.

**Hogi - Yogi**  
396 South Main (next to Teriyaki Stix) 259-2656  
Lunch • Dinner Open Daily  
Sandwiches, Ice cream, Shakes, Frozen Yogurt & Smoothies. Over 15 great sandwiches. Low-fat icy, cold nutrient-packed line of real fruit smoothies. Try our new ice cream & cookie sandwiches made to order. Drive thru service. Call in & take-out orders welcome.

**Jailhouse Cafe**  
101 North Main Street 259-3900  
Breakfast  
Moab's Breakfast Place located in Grand County's historic first Courthouse & features special breakfast fare like our own Southwestern Eggs Benedict & Ginger Pancakes with Apple Butter, as well as classic diner breakfasts. Now Serving Espresso!

**Jeffrey's Steakhouse**  
218 North 100 West 435-259-3588  
Open at 5:00pm  
Stop by Jeffrey's Steakhouse for a casually upscale dining experience, just slightly off main. Wagyu style American Kobe Beef. Tucked away upstairs is the Ghost Bar. State Liquor License. www.jeffreyssteakhouse.com

**La Hacienda**  
574 North Main 259-6319  
Lunch • Dinner - Open daily 11:00 a.m.  
CELEBRATING 29 YEARS! Superior Mexican specialities with menu items for the gringo, too. Daily specials & out-of-the-ordinary entrees. Family dining atmosphere. Naturally vegetarian friendly. State Liquor Licensee.

**Leger's Sandwiches**  
817 So Main (inside the Moab Chevron) 259-2212  
Deli Open 6 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Leger's Sandwiches, a favorite since 1977, is now OPEN inside the Moab Chevron. Leger's has five locations in Utah. Our Sandwiches are made to order. Call in orders welcome.

**Love Muffin Café**  
139 North Main 259-6833  
Breakfast and Lunch  
Open everyday at 7:30am-2:00pm  
Fresh baked muffins and cupcakes every morning! Check out the vegan and gluten free selection. Breakfast burritos, Whole Wheat Waffles and more... Proud to use local and organic ingredients along with eco-friendly containers.

*Jeffrey's*  
**STEAKHOUSE**

CASUALLY UPSCALE  
CLASSIC STEAKHOUSE FARE

218 NORTH 100 WEST  
259-3588  
JUST SLIGHTLY OFF MAIN

OPEN AT 5:00PM  
CALL FOR RESERVATIONS  
WWW.JEFFREYSSTEAKHOUSE.COM  
State Liquor Licensee

For more information about these restaurants pick up a "Moab Menu"





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**McDonald's**  
640 South Main 259-8800

**Miguel's Baja Grill**  
51 North Main 259-6546  
Dinner  
Genuine Mexican Cuisine, traditional recipes and methods of Baja California and other states in Mexico. We pride ourselves on fresh food and prepare it as you order it. Great Margaritas and seafood dinners are our specialty. Proud to cook with zero trans fat.

**Milt's Stop & Eat**  
400 East and Millcreek Drive 259-7424  
Lunch • Dinner  
Daily Specials  
Open daily 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
A true Moab icon since 1954. Featuring 100% ground chuck burgers, classic diner sandwiches, all beef hot dogs, flavored shakes and malts. Located on the way to the Slickrock Trail behind Dave's Corner Market. Eat in or take out. See ya' all at Milt's. Website is [www.miltstopandeat.com](http://www.miltstopandeat.com)

**Moab Brewery**  
686 South Main 259-6333  
Lunch & Dinner  
Open 11:30 AM DAILY. Whatever the season, whether you're hungry or thirsty, come in and enjoy the comfortable atmosphere. Food to go. Moab's only brewery. Offers sandwiches, steaks, salads, burgers, daily specials. Kid's Menu. State Liquor Licensee.

**Moab's Daily Grind**  
1146 South Hwy 191 #B 259-1115  
Mon-Sun: 6 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
FAST, FRIENDLY & AFFORDABLE Drive-Thru Coffee & Espresso. We serve up lattes, mochas, cappuccinos, breves, chai, hot & iced teas, iced & blended drinks, Italian sodas, and more. Featuring Ghiradelli chocolate sauces, including white and dark chocolate. We use fairly traded coffee from a small quality roaster. Iced & Blended Drinks.

**Moab Diner & Ice Cream Shoppe**  
189 South Main 259-4006

**Pancake Haus**  
196 South Main (next to Ramada Inn) 259-7141

**Pantele's Desert Deli**  
98 East Center 259-0200

**Paradox Pizza**  
702 South Main St 259-9999  
Lunch • Dinner  
Fri-Sat: 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. Sun-Thu: 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
At Paradox Pizza all of our salads, soups, pizzas and breads are handmade fresh daily. You will taste our commitment to quality with every bite. Order in person, online or over the phone. We offer dine in, take-out and delivery. Website is [www.paradoxpizza.com](http://www.paradoxpizza.com)

**Pasta Jay's**  
4 South Main 259-2900

**The Peace Tree Juice Cafe** Closed for Remodeling  
20 South Main 259-8503

**Pizza Hut**  
265 South Main 259-6345  
Lunch • Dinner  
Fri-Sat: 11 a.m. - 11 p.m. Sun-Thu: 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.  
Salad bar, variety of pizzas & toppings, pasta, breadsticks, kids menu & quick lunch specials. Pick up or delivery available. OPEN EVERY DAY

**Red Rock Bakery & Net Cafe**  
74 S. Main Street 259-5941  
Breakfast • Lunch  
7am-4pm Mon-Sat and 7am-3pm Sunday 'til March 15 then 7am-5pm Mon-Sat and 7am-3pm Sunday. Serving freshly baked bagels, muffins, scones and cinnamon rolls. Fresh Moab Coffee (FMC). Best Sandwich in Moab. Moab's original high speed Internet Access. Fine photography by Chris Conrad. OPEN EVERY DAY.

**The Rio Sports Bar & Grill**  
1 block west of Main on Center 259-6666  
Sports Bar & Grill. Affordable drinks & food. Fully stocked bar, serving beer, liquor & wine. Nightly entertainment. Live music on weekends. Visitors welcome, 21 years and older. OPEN EVERY DAY AT 3:00PM

**Singha: Authentic Thai Cuisine**  
92 East Center 259-0039  
Lunch • Dinner  
Lunch: Mon-Sat 11a.m.-3 p.m.  
Dinner: Mon-Sun 5 p.m.-9:30 p.m.  
For those in search of true Thai Cuisine, we invite you to experience the flavors and aroma of Singha Thai Cuisine. Not always spicy as you thought. We use fresh herbs and spices including garlic, coriander, lemon grass, mint and chilies. Our full menu includes House specials, appetizers and desserts. Now serving beer, wine and saki.

**Slickrock Cafe**  
5 North Main 259-8004  
Lunch • Dinner  
Open daily 11:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Steaks, New & Improved Lunch & Dinner Menu, Atrium Seating, Appetizers, Gourmet Burgers, Sandwiches, Salads and Freshly Grilled Entrees. Ice cold beer. Daily Specials, Kids Menu. Call in and take out orders welcome. Full Service Liquor License.

**Smitty's Golden Steak**  
540 South Main 259-4848  
Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner  
Open 6am-9 pm 7 days a week  
Next to Big Horn Lodge. Featuring steaks, prime rib, hamburgers, full breakfast menu. Prompt coffee shop service.

**Sorrel River Grill**  
17 Miles Northeast on Scenic Hwy 128 259-4642

**SUBWAY Sandwich Shop**  
299 South Main 259-SUBS  
Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner  
Open 8 a.m. everyday  
NOW SERVING BREAKFAST UNTIL 11 AM! Create your own healthy sandwiches and salads. Five varieties of freshly baked bread. Load up your subs with lots of fresh veggies and one of SUBWAY'S special sauces. Located inside Walker's Convenience Store (corner of 300 South and Main)

**Sunset Grill**  
900 North Highway 191 259-7146  
Dinner  
Steaks, Seafood, Pasta, Prime Rib. Fresh ingredients brought in daily. Children welcome. Reservations accepted for parties of 6 or more. Come up and rediscover Charlie Steen's historic home with the million dollar view. Open 5:00 daily. CLOSED SUNDAYS. State Liquor Licensee.

**Szechuan Restaurant**  
125 North Main 259-8984

**Teriyaki Stix**  
396 South Main, Next to Hogi-Yogi 259-2656  
Lunch • Dinner  
Wide selection of rice or noodle bowls with grilled teriyaki chicken, hot & spicy chicken, beef, kalua pork, fresh steamed veggies, potstickers & more. Drive thru, take-out & call in orders welcome. Open 7 days a week. Located across from City Market.

**Village Market**  
702 South Main 259-3111

**Wake and Bake Cafe**  
59 S. Main #6, McStiff's Plaza 259-2420

**Wendy's**  
260 North Main 259-2595

**Wicked Brew Espresso Drive Thru**  
132 North Main 259-0021

**Yo Mama's Pizza**  
812 South Main 259-0101

**Zax**  
96 South Main Street 259-6555  
Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner • Family Dining  
We have it all, from our all new sunrise breakfast, served every day (after March 8) 6:30 am to 11:30 am, to our hand cut steaks. We offer an extensive menu that includes the best burgers in Moab, deli sandwiches, pastas, salads, seafood and our all U can eat pizza buffet and salad bar. Dine inside or out on our all-weather patio and covered porch. For those 21 and over, visit Zax Dining Club. Watch your favorite sporting event on the 50" flat screen or one of the other 22 TVs throughout the restaurant. Featuring a full liquor license. Open 6:30 am to close 7 days a week (after March 8). Locally owned and operated.

**EDDIE McSTIFF'S** RESTAURANT, BREW PUB & BAR

Nightly Dinner Specials

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**Moab's Oldest Legal Brew Pub**

**Center & Main • Moab**  
**435-259-BEER (2337)** FREE WIRELESS INTERNET!

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Enjoy our Lunch Menu next door at the Wake & Bake Cafe until Moab warms up

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Atrium Seating,  
Full Service Liquor License  
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Gourmet Burgers,  
Sandwiches,  
Salads, Steaks  
Freshly Grilled Entrees  
Kids Menu, Daily Specials  
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(435) 259-8004 • [www.slickrockcafe.com](http://www.slickrockcafe.com)

**Family Dining**  
Locally Owned and Operated

**OPEN EVERY DAY**

Breakfast 6:30 - 11:30am (everyday after March 8)  
Lunch and Dinner 11:30am - close (everyday after March 8)

- FULL BREAKFAST MENU •
- APPETIZERS •
- BURGERS & SANDWICHES •
- PASTA •
- ALL YOU CAN EAT PIZZA BUFFET, SOUP & SALAD BAR •
- HAND CUT STEAKS •
- SEAFOOD •
- SALADS •

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**VISTA Lounge**

1393 North Highway 191  
435-259-5201

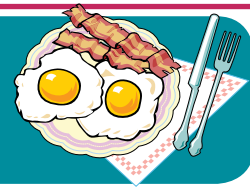
**BUCKS GRILL HOUSE**  
MOAB, UTAH

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**Denny's**  
The Meat Lover's Trio  
NEW FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY

**DON'T FORGET!**  
Kids Eat Free Tuesday and Saturday  
4pm - 10pm

989 North Hwy 191  
**OPEN 24 HOURS**

breakfast.lunch.espresso.bakery  
local, organic seasonal ingredients

**LOVE MUFFIN cafe**

7:30 - 2:00 daily 139 n. main street  
435.259.6833 lovemuffinCafe.com

**Smitty's GOLDEN STEAK**

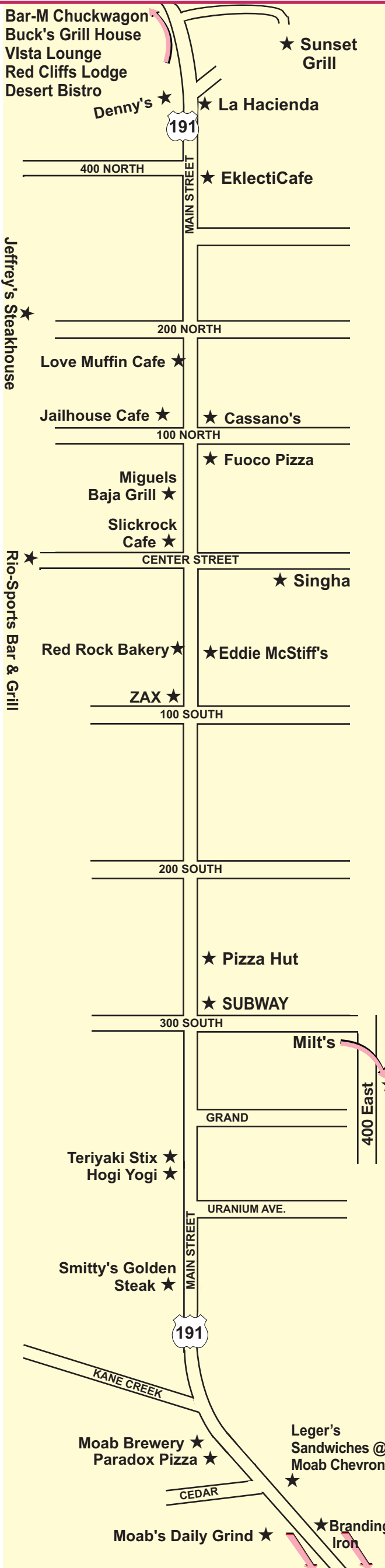
540 South Main • Moab, Utah • (435) 259-4848  
Next to BigHorn Lodge. Open 7 days a week, featuring steaks, prime rib, hamburgers, and a full breakfast menu. Prompt coffee shop service.

State Liquor Licensee  
**MOAB'S FINEST FAMILY DINING**  
COMPLETE CATERING SERVICES AVAILABLE.

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MOAB UTAH

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EAST COAST STYLE PIZZA FRESHLY MADE TO ORDER  
**SLICES!** HOMEMADE SOUPS, BREADS & DESSERTS  
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"Dining with a Million Dollar View"

Steaks • Pastas  
Prime Rib  
Fresh Seafood

259-7146

Patio • Catering  
Family Dining  
Open Nightly at 5:00 pm - Closed Sundays

Moab's New Italian Restaurant  
in the old Poplar Place

Great Choice for Take Out and Catering

16" large cheese pizza 9.99 all day every day!

**Traditional Italian Food**  
Bruschetta Lasagna  
Crab Stuffed Mushrooms Chicken Penne Gorgonzola  
Antipasto Chicken Parmesan

Patio Seating - Red Rock Views

**Cassanos**  
Italian Restaurant  
11 East 1 North  
259-6018

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Established 1954

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LOCATED AT 400 EAST AND MILLCREEK DRIVE ON THE WAY TO THE SLICKROCK TRAIL.

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FRESH GROUND CHUCK HAMBURGERS,  
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Made to order • Call in Orders  
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259-2212

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817 South Main Street

**Chevron**  
FOOD COURT & DELI

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# NATURE HAPPENINGS

## Lilies of the Desert

by Damian Fagan

Desert lily seems like an oxymoron. Most images of lilies include moist and lush habitats, not parched regions that barely average ten inches of rain per year. Fortunately, there are desert lilies unaware of their tropical relatives.

Beginning in March and proceeding through the summer, there are several desert dwelling members of the Lily Family (Liliaceae) that blossom in Canyon Country. The majority of them grow in grasslands or woodlands, but some prefer the moist conditions of springs and seeps.



prairie wild onion

Of the desert blooming lilies, the purple funnel lily (*Androstephium breviflorum*) is one of the first to bloom in the spring. Easily overlooked, the funnel lily barely rises above the ground from a buried inch-wide bulb. This perennial bears one to three grasslike leaves and a leafless flowering stalk with three to eight flowers. The almost one-inch wide flowers are a whitish or dirty green color with a purple or blackish streak down each petal.

The species name *breviflorum* means "short flower," indicating the overall size of these plants. The generic name *Androstephium* is from the Greek words "andros," meaning "stamen" and "stephanos" meaning "crown." This refers to the flower's stamens that are fused together



for a majority of their length before they separate, thus resembling, in cross section, a royal crown.

Following the funnel lily in the blooming sequence are the sego lilies (*Calochortus nuttallii*). Also arising from underground bulbs, the sego lily sends up several grasslike leaves. The generic name *Calochortus* translates into "beautiful grass," which refers to the leaves and the beauty of the flowers.



But before mentioning the flowers, the sego lily's bulbs deserve some aboveground kudos. Native Americans harvested the marble to walnut-sized bulbs for food. During the harsh winter of 1848-1849, Mormon pioneers who had settled in the Salt Lake Valley just a few years prior, faced famine because insects had destroyed their fall crops. The natives showed the newcomers how to harvest and prepare the bulbs, which along with other native roots and tubers staved off starvation. A little more than sixty years later, the Utah State Legislature would decree the sego lily as the State Flower of Utah in 1911.

In addition to the leaves arising from the edible bulbs are the flowering stalks that bear several one to two inch wide, cup-shaped flowers. The large, cream to white colored petals are pointed at the tip. At the base of each petal there is a nectar gland that is surrounded by yellowish hairs and bordered by a purplish crescent. Insects attracted to the flower dives into the bottom to root around for nectar and pollen rewards. While moving about within the flower, these pollinators complete the transaction of pollen to stigma.

The sego lily's species name honors Thomas Nuttall (1786-1859) an English naturalist who collected plants throughout the West and in Hawaii. He first collected the sego lily in 1811.

Another one of the early season lilies is the prairie wild onion (*Allium textile*). The three-quarter inch bulb is encased in a loose netlike

coating that resembles a woven textile. Another edible bulb, the prairie wild onion has a strong odor and flavor. Unlike the other lilies mentioned, the wild onion produces a bouquet of five to fifty, white to pale pink flowers lined with deep purple nectar guides.



funnel lily

Later on in the season, the alcove death camas (*Zigadenus* sp.) blooms in moist seeps. The long straplike leaves and flowering stalks bearing numerous flowers. These plants grow in thick bunches in the hanging gardens. Unable to withstand the drier conditions that their desert-dwelling relatives can, this alluring flower arises from toxic bulbs.

After this past wet and snowy winter, the parade of spring flowers might explode into a stellar season. Remember to "take only photographs" and leave the lilies and other flowers behind for the next wildflower enthusiast to enjoy.



sego lily



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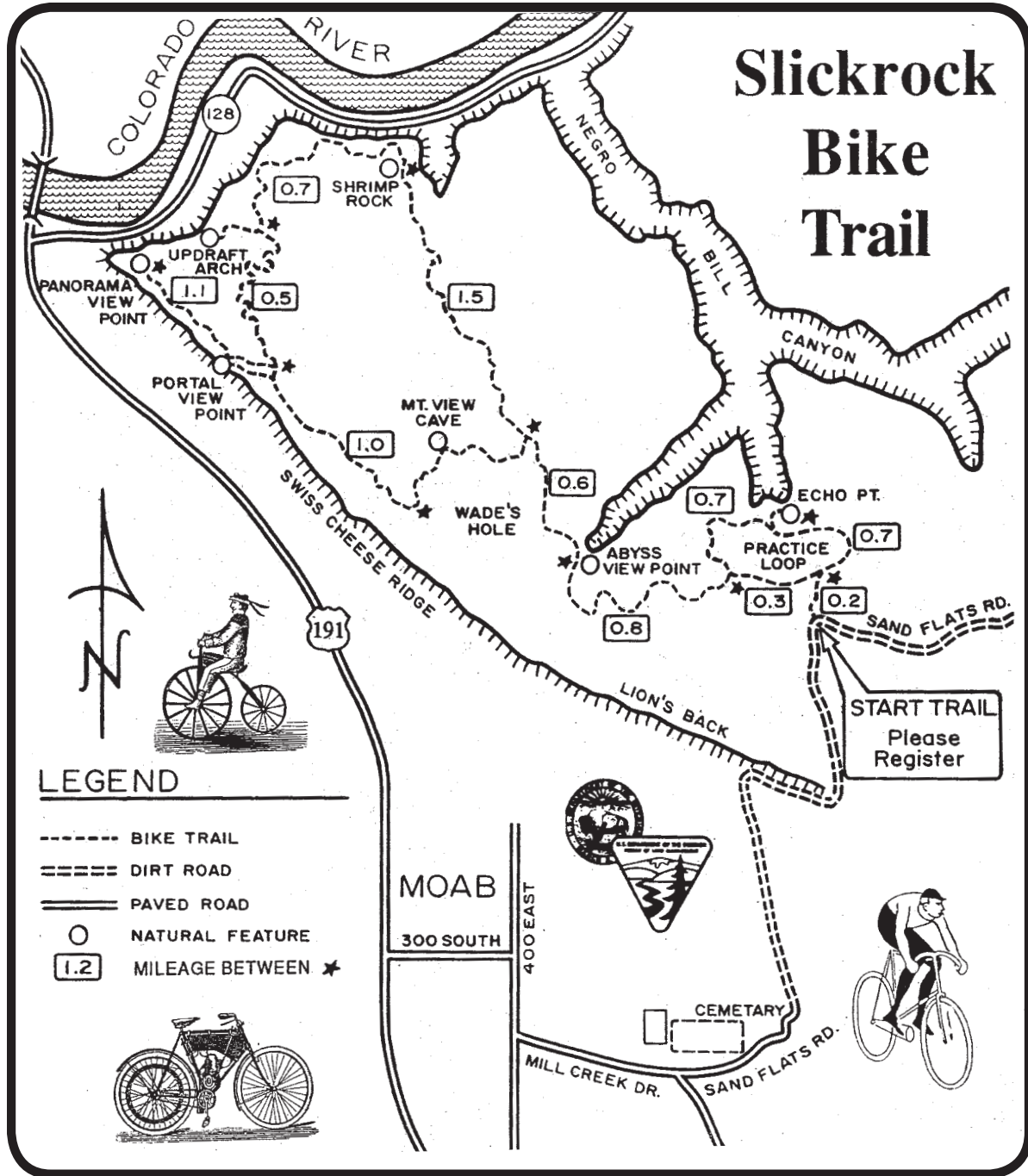
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# ROCK ART HAPPENINGS

## Relocation Rock Art, A Moving Experience

Huge sculpted profiles of a man and his horse carved on a giant sandstone boulder in Moab adds a whole new dimension to the concept of rock art in southern Utah.

Now easily accessible for all to see, the bas-relief images presumed to have been carved in 1935 on the face of an eight-foot-high boulder on a hillside north of Moab are credited to a mysterious and once-upon-a-time immigrant who lived in the area briefly. On the rock is spelled the name Aharron Andeew, who is credited with being the artist.

He may have been Russian; he may have been Bulgarian. The hat in the carving is described as "Cossack," according to information the county received in accepting the rock as a donation. Most commonly, the figure over time has been referred to as "king of the world," or the "King World" carving, after words the artist pecked into the rock near the base. "King World" also served as the name of a water



Author Vicki Barker shows scale of rock art bas-relief from 1935 at original site east of Highway 191 in north Moab.

park operated below the boulder by previous owners Bob and Diane Norman.

"We used to picnic up there when we were in high school. That's why I always wanted that rock," Mrs. Norman said. When the Normans developed the water park in 1992, it was no surprise that they chose to name it King World Water Park.

Jennifer Speers bought the property in late 2009, removed the water park, and last month donated the boulder and another piece of modern rock art near the Andeew boulder to Grand County. Officials involved in the process said the new property owners' attorney had expressed concern about the site becoming "an attractive nuisance" and creating liability issues.

"It's interesting how many people know about it, and don't know about it," Speers commented after the move. "I thought, 'Yeah, it's a good idea to move it.' Now it's where people can see it."

A resurgence of interest in the artwork -- most recently cast into the limelight by the swift, precise and dramatic removal and relocation to the Grand Center on 500 West -- may ultimately pinpoint Andeew's origins and fate.

According to officials presenting Speers' gift to the County Council, the artist was a veteran of World War I and came to America after the war. The numbers "11" and 1935 pecked into the rock at the top suggest the work dates to November 1935.

Dave Olsen, Moab community development director, told the council that Nolan Morse of Moab, now 86, "remembers this guy, and he dressed up like a Russian, and he may have been a Russian...and he had a prancing horse. He'd go around prancing in his Russian uniform." Morse was 12 at the time.



An estimated 30 tons, King World rock required precision movement by heavy-equipment operators to avoid damage.

Research is underway to prepare an historical plaque for placement at the new site of both the King World rock and a smaller boulder carved nearby in 1992 by itinerant sculptor Ken Hiratsuka of New York. The Normans, for whom Hiratsuka sculpted the smaller rock in exchange for "a place to sleep, a meal, a beer and a shower," refer to it as "The Endless Circle."

According to some historical accounts the Normans gathered about the property, besides Andeew having lived in a rock shelter onsite, Butch Cassidy once took up shelter in that particular canyon area, too.

Speers is working with the Grand County Historical Preservation Commission, Moab City Community Development, the Normans and other sources to collect information on the artwork and compose text for the historical plaque. Verleen Striblen, Grand Center director, is working on plans for a dedication.

Word that Speers planned to remove and donate the rock art spread fast, and several parties vied for possession. The city and trails group that is working on improvements at Lions Park hoped to integrate the boulder into the new design of the park, placing it up the hill a bit but essentially keeping it within context of the area in which it was created. The historical commission had favored that spot as well. County facilities officials decided the 24-foot-long boulder was too big to place at the courthouse. But the senior center director wanted the rock with a passion.

Article and photos by Vicki Barker

"When I heard... they were looking at different options, I thought, 'Oh, I love that rock!'" Verleen Striblen said. "I'd been up there a couple of times, and I thought, 'Oh, cool!' I said I'll take it if nobody else wants it."

She also chanced to talk to Speers. "I told her I really wanted it, and she said it was a good location. She just thought more people would be able to see and enjoy it."

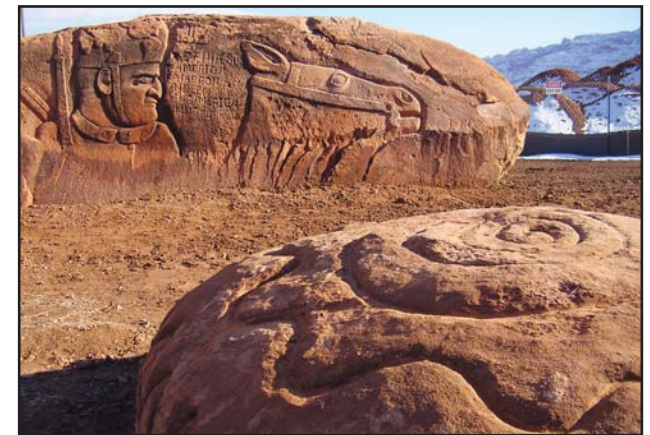
Additionally, Striblen enjoined her son Michael to put a vote in with his friend Scott Johnston, who works as a ranch foreman for Speers. Within a week of the county accepting the donation, while discussion ensued about where to place the artwork, Speers ultimately opted for the Grand Center.

"It's an old rock, and a lot of seniors are there, and a lot of them knew the guy who did it," she said.

"I think it's great. I think it looks good where it is. They did a good job of placing it...and it looks like it belongs there."



Construction of the new hospital is underway directly behind the rock art now decorating entry to the Grand Center in west Moab.



A dedication, plaque and landscaping are planned to recognize the contribution and enhance surroundings at the new site. Second boulder near the King World carving has star-like image an itinerant rock sculptor engraved in 1992.

## The Ray Panel: Magic and Ritual in Hidden Valley

Two thousand years ago the Basketmaker Indians lived in the Moab area. Named for their weaving skills, Basketmakers were also prolific rock artists, pecking thousands of petroglyphs into the cliffs around Moab. Basketmakers were also capable astronomers. Several of their rock art panels celebrate solstices and equinoxes. Among these "archeoastromical" markers is one I have named The Ray Panel, located in Moab's Hidden Valley area. The Ray Panel is one of over thirty panels in Hidden Valley. It is large and complex, exhibiting at least three different incidents of art-making going back to the Desert Archaic culture, thousands of years ago.

The choice of Hidden Valley for rock art is not coincidental. It is an elevated site with excellent views to the east and west. Around Equinox, this creates long, oblique shadows at sunrise and sundown. The Indians combined these shadows with their art to create a human/cosmic interface that commemorated the change of season, equating the change to the cycle of life, death, and renewal. This ritual practice is shared by virtually every culture from the subtropics to the arctic, including ours. The Equinox light at the Ray Panel is spectacular. Around 8:45 in the morning, for five days on either side of the Equinox (March 20, 2010), the morning sun catches the edges of a series of shallow ridges. As the sun moves up, the light on these ridges extends down, creating a pattern of parallel rays descending toward the ground. A shallow, dished area in the middle of the panel remains shadowed. This is where the main figure of the Ray Panel is placed. By 9:00 a.m. the effect is striking, showing a large, enigmatic figure surrounded by powerful rays of light.



Three cultural elements I will focus on here include: the main figure's headdress, The Cat-in-the-Hat, The Ritual Warriors. The headdress on the main figure consists of a hair-bun with a small, feather-like attachment. Figures with similar hairstyles appear near at least two other astronomical panels in the area, so I have named this figure "The Astronomer". It may represent a clan among the Basketmakers akin to the astronomers of Babylon, Stonehenge, or the Mayan Yucatan. The Astronomer's hair-bun was pecked over an Archaic panel that may be a thousand years older. (It is too dim to see in this photograph.) The Archaic panel features the feathered end of an atlatl, or throwing spear. The atlatl is part of a larger Archaic picture which



has been obscured by time and weather. Long before the Basketmakers arrived, the Archaic culture was using Hidden Valley as a ritual site.

To the right of the Astronomer is a figure I call The Cat-in-the-Hat. I believe that the Cat-in-the-Hat was a member of a hunter/warrior caste. His headdress - a single, extended appendage - may represent a mountain lion's tail. The lion, as an alpha predator, is an obvious totem for hunting magic. Much of Hidden Valley's rock art concerns

hunting. The Cat-in-the-Hat figure is pecked over two early, abraded Cat-in-the-Hats which are also too faint to see in the picture. They are touching shoulders or hands. This hand-holding motif appears repeatedly in Hidden Valley. It may represent cooperating participants in a game drive. Game drives can capture large numbers of prey and are well-documented in other cultures throughout the West.

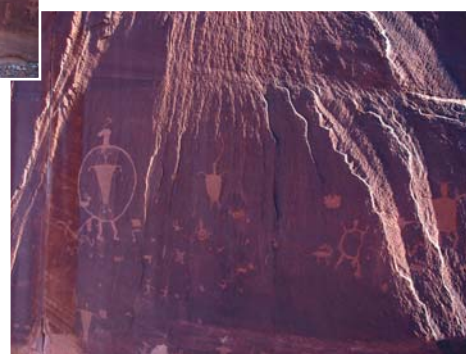
Below the Astronomer are two figures facing each other in a dramatic pose. One is a Cat-in-the-Hat. The figure on the left wears the Birdhead motif common to Basketmakers from the San Juan River region, a hundred miles to the south. Their poses are identical to the pose one takes to hurl an atlatl spear; in this case, it appears, at each other. Archeologists say that ritual warfare in the ancient Southwest was likely. Hidden Valley is a natural amphitheater for such a contest. (I discussed ritual warfare in the November, 2006, Moab Happenings. You can find it on-line in the Happenings' archives.)

To get to the Ray Panel drive three miles south of Center Street to Angel Rock Road. Follow the signs to the Hidden Valley trailhead. The trail starts with a 500 foot climb, then goes about 2 miles, through two hanging valleys, to a pass. At the pass, hike up to the rock wall above and to the right. The Ray Panel is about 500 feet to the

west. It takes an hour and a half to get there. Plan on spending all day. Hidden Valley constitutes one of the most beautiful areas in the Canyonlands. It was a surely considered a sacred place by the region's ancient inhabitants. Please treat this unique site with respect. Thank you.

Rory Tyler is a self-taught student of rock art. The hypotheses in this article are largely original with him and he takes responsibility for these ideas.

Article and photos by Rory Tyler





# SKY HAPPENINGS

## The Sky for March 2010

By Faylene Roth

### MARCH SUNRISE AND SUNSET TIMES

DATE	SUNRISE	SUNSET
1	6:50am	6:11pm
2	6:49am	6:12pm
3	6:47am	6:13pm
4	6:46am	6:14pm
5	6:44am	6:15pm
6	6:43am	6:16pm
7	6:42am	6:17pm
8	6:40am	6:18pm
9	6:39am	6:19pm
10	6:37am	6:20pm
11	6:36am	6:21pm
12	6:34am	6:22pm
13	6:32am	6:23pm
14	7:31am	7:24pm
15	7:29am	7:25pm
16	7:28am	7:26pm
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18	7:25am	7:28pm
19	7:23am	7:29pm
20	7:22am	7:30pm
21	7:20am	7:31pm
22	7:19am	7:32pm
23	7:17am	7:33pm
24	7:15am	7:34pm
25	7:14am	7:35pm
26	7:12am	7:36pm
27	7:11am	7:37pm
28	7:09am	7:38pm
29	7:08am	7:39pm
30	7:06am	7:40pm

Winter's jazzy lights give way to a faint spring sky punctuated with beacons of brilliant light. Sirius and Procyon (dog stars) form a line with Mars from SW to NE. Regulus (Leo) shines overhead. Saturn and Spica (Virgo) accent the southeast. Arcturus (Bootes) pierces the eastern sky before midnight.

### MAJOR CONSTELLATIONS OF MARCH

- |                  |                  |
|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Overhead</b>  | <b>Eastward</b>  |
| Bootes           | Bootes           |
| Cancer           | Corona Borealis  |
| Canis Minor      | Leo              |
| Gemini           | Virgo            |
| <b>Northward</b> | <b>Southward</b> |
| Cassiopeia       | Canis Major      |
| Cepheus          | Corvus           |
| Perseus          | Hydra            |
| Ursa Major       | <b>Westward</b>  |
| Ursa Minor       | Auriga           |
|                  | Orion            |
|                  | Taurus           |

### DAYLENGTH

Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 14, when clock time jumps from 2:00am to 3:00am. In addition to an extra hour of evening light contributed by the change in clock time, the period of daylight increases substantially in

March. Sunrise occurs 45 minutes earlier by month's end and sunset 30 minutes later, adding up to 75 minutes more of daylight. Twilight also extends the daylight period. Civil twilight provides about one-half hour of strong light after sunset. Nautical twilight continues another half hour as color and detail disappear from the landscape. Astronomical twilight fades to darkness about one and one-half hours after sunset. (The time of sunrise and sunset assumes a flat horizon. Actual time may vary depending upon the landscape.)

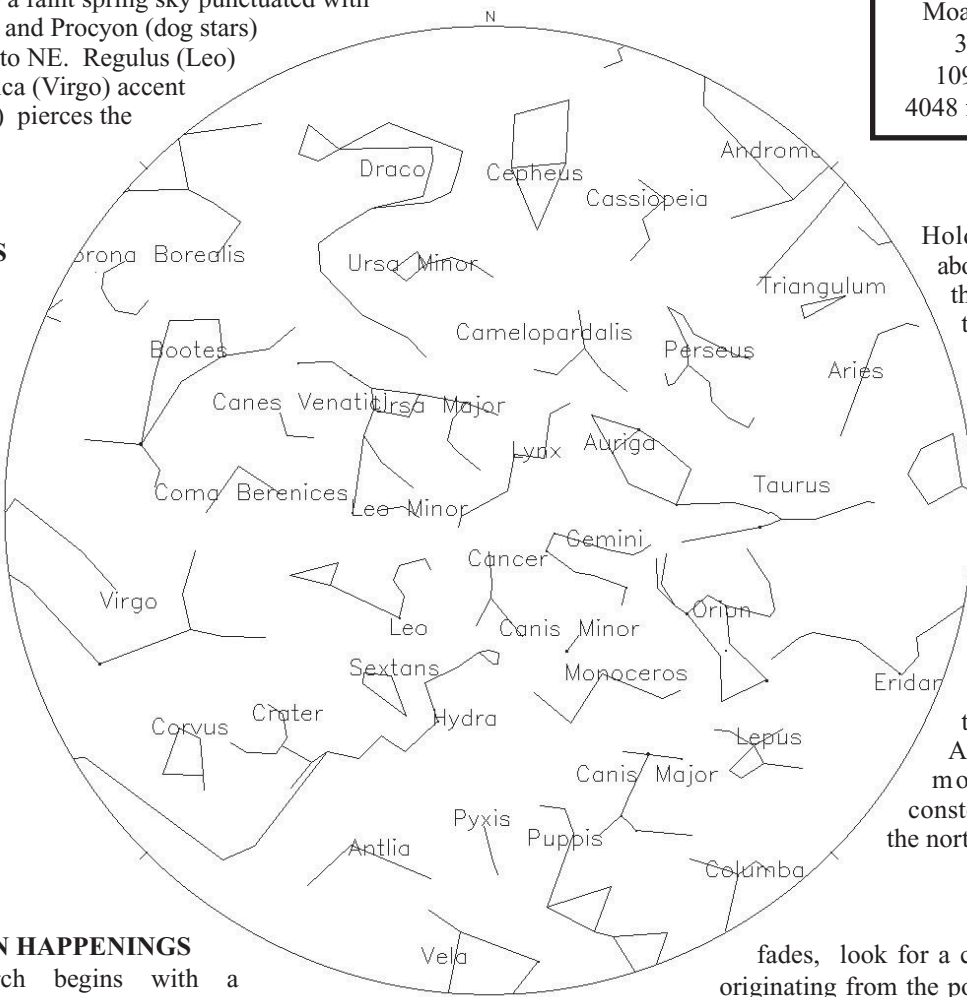
### VISIBLE PLANETS

**Mars** - Face SSE and look high in the sky. The bright red-orange disk in the dim region of sky between Leo and Gemini is Mars. It outshines both Castor and Pollux (twin stars of Gemini). Mars ends its retrograde motion March 11 and resumes its eastward drift back through Cancer. By month's end it will be 5 degrees west of the Beehive Cluster (Praesepe). Mars continues to lose magnitude and size this month as it recedes from Earth. (Magnitude 0)

**Saturn** - Look due east in the evening twilight for Saturn's golden orb to rise on the celestial equator. It follows Leo into the sky and appears in the faint eastern region of Virgo. By midnight Spica (Virgo) will rise a little farther south and form a line to the west with Saturn, Regulus (Leo), and Mars. Its retrograde motion makes it appear to move westward through Virgo. Saturn reaches opposition (opposite side of the Earth from sun) March 21. It rises with evening twilight, appears overhead around midnight, and sets with the morning twilight throughout the month. (Magnitude +0.5)

**Venus** - Find a high vantage point and a clear view of the western horizon to see Venus this month. Look for it in early evening twilight. March 29-31 offers a chance to see Mercury. Use binoculars to scan the sky between Venus and the horizon for Mercury's dim apparition. Venus is in Pisces this month, but the constellation will be too faint to be visible in evening twilight. (Magnitude -4)

*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.*



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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.

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

### MOON HAPPENINGS

March begins with a waning full moon from February 28. It rises after 8:00pm below Saturn. March 2 it rises more than an hour later near Spica (Virgo). By March 5 the moon rises after midnight. The last quarter moon occurs March 7. A new moon occurs March 15. Within the next few days a waxing crescent moon appears in the evening sky above Venus. March 20 the crescent moon appears to move one-half degree per hour from west to east across the Pleiades. Since the east side of the moon is in shadow, it occults the visible stars in its path. The first quarter moon occurs March 23. March 24 a waxing gibbous moon appears high in the evening sky near Mars. March 28 a nearly full moon rises in the evening sky below Saturn. A full moon rises March 30 at 8:53pm with Spica (Virgo) again in the background. (The time of moonrise and moonset assumes a flat horizon. Actual time may vary depending upon the landscape.)

### VERNAL EQUINOX

Pause at 11:32am on March 20 and look towards (not at) the sun. At that moment the sun will be directly over the equator marking the beginning of spring. In astronomical terms, the ecliptic (sun's apparent path across the sky) intersects the celestial equator (imaginary line across the heavens directly above the earth's equator). The ecliptic traces the sun's path across the sky throughout the year. It is identified by the constellations of the zodiac. At the summer solstice, the sun is as far north as the lower end of Gemini (23.5 degrees N). On the winter solstice it is farther south than Sirius in Canis Major (23.5 degrees S). From any location on earth, the sun will appear within this band of the ecliptic (23.5 degrees north or south of the equator). The ecliptic marks the plane of the earth's orbit around the sun. Most of the planets and Earth's moon are found within the band of the ecliptic because the planes of their orbits are approximately the same as the plane of the earth's orbit. To identify the celestial equator, look for the three stars of Orion's belt. The celestial equator runs along these three stars through Virgo to the east and through the middle of the summer constellation Aquila.

### LOCAL STAR COUNT

Gather at Old City Park on Saturday, March 13, for a tour of the night sky and the Globe At Night Star Count. Red Rock Astronomers will provide telescope viewing. Meet at 6:45pm in the lower field beyond the bandstand. Dress warmly and bring a chair or blanket and a flashlight. All ages are welcome. Call 259-4743 or 259-3313 for more information. Sponsored by WabiSabi.

### ZODIACAL LIGHT

Imagine sunlight streaming through a window and illuminating dust particles floating in the room. In the same way, the setting sun illuminates dust particles present in the inner solar system. Near the vernal equinox, the sun's rays shoot high into the sky at sunrise and sunset, and we can see this display. It is the zodiacal light. Best time to view at night is the first week of March before the moon brightens the sky. Find a high vantage point with a clear view of the western horizon. As astronomical twilight


fades, look for a cone or beam of light originating from the point where the sun set and leaning a little to the south. March 23-April 6 the zodiacal light is visible on the eastern horizon before astronomical twilight brightens the morning sky.

*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.*

Primary Sources: USGS; U.S. Naval Observatory; Your Sky at <http://www.fourmilab.ch/yoursky/>

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# ASTROLOGY HAPPENINGS

## Your Monthly Horoscope - March 2010

By Rob Wells

Feb. 19 - Mar. 20



**Pisces:** Happy Birthday Little Fishes. A major pile-up of planets in your sign this month brings the attention to you. Jupiter could be expanding your waist line for the next year so, heads up. Partnerships have a fated quality all month long. Roll with the ship as your partner sets a new course for you both. After 21<sup>st</sup> you focus on Cash and you may find some problems need to be dealt with right away. Plans may go on hold for a time.

Mar. 21 - Apr. 20



**Aries:** This is your month to recharge and you really need to. This last year has taken quite a toll. Employment opportunities could come your way from out of the blue so be ready to move on them. After the 21<sup>st</sup> you are back on top of things and ready to go. Spring never gets here fast enough for you, but try to take things a little easier this year as your energies may still be a little low.

Apr. 21 - May 21



**Taurus:** This is your month to dream your future for the coming year. With Jupiter in your Wish house you get a big boost at having what you want. Also this year you could be adding a whole new list of friends to your life. After the 21<sup>st</sup> it's time to slow down a bit and get comfy. You need to get a physical and maybe consider a new diet. Carefully consider your office space. Does it energize you or bring you down? Make changes.

May 22 - June 21



**Gemini:** Five planets are crowded into your career house this month. It's time to reap some rewards on the job. Jupiter has moved into this area and promises to enliven and expand your career for the coming year. This occurs every twelve years so take advantage of it. After the 21<sup>st</sup> all the planets move into your Hopes and Dreams house. It's a party with your friends, that is a given, but you need to consider the coming year and name what you want from the future.

June 22 - July 22



**Cancer:** Something at a distance has a fated quality since last month you just can't ignore. Jupiter is in its home in your chart for the next year and there is that thing that's calling to you. A trip? A

new course of study? A new religious experience? A legal matter? This calling must be answered. After the 21<sup>st</sup> your career takes center stage. It's your time of the year to reap your rewards. Do you have an acceptance speech ready?

July 23 - Aug. 24



**Leo:** You get to play accountant this month as the planets pile into your house of Joint Assets. It's time to balance the checkbook. Setup a new budget. Pay the taxes. Check the insurances. So break out the balance sheets, the sleeve protectors and the green visor. When it's done you could be very surprised in a good way. After the 21<sup>st</sup> your energies turn to loftier matters be it law, education, or religion. Any blocks in your path in the coming weeks will be overcome by you.

Aug. 24 - Sept. 22



**Virgo:** Your partnerships have a warm and tender feeling this month as they are highlighted by the bevy of planets in your seventh house. Remarkable aspects support the betterment of existing unions and there are energies to renew and revitalize partnerships of long standing. Take every opportunity to share moments with your special someone this month. After the 21<sup>st</sup> your attention turns to the duties of shepherding your jointly held assets with your partner. There may be restrictions on your spending in the weeks ahead.

Sep. 23 - Oct. 23



**Libra:** Your job will be taking on an almost festive air this month. You could wind up with expanded duties and maybe a raise, too. With Jupiter in your house of employment and health for the next year you should be feeling fit and fine. Take the initiative to make positive changes with your health and with your work space. After the 21<sup>st</sup> you'll be working on your partnerships for the next month. You could encounter some friction along the way and you'll need to acquire some new tools to deal with it.

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22



**Scorpio:** Your creative juices are flowing this month with five planets in your house of creation. If you're looking to conceive, now's the time. There's a Big Idea out there looking for you. A masterpiece seeking actualization through you. Also you draw

romance to you this month. What fun. After the 21<sup>st</sup> the emphasis moves to matters of health and employment. The coming period should find you healthy and working hard as you approach spring.

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21



**Sagittarius:** Home is where the heart is this month. This month's activities at home set the tempo for the coming year. Jupiter has moved into your house of Home and portends the expansion of interests within your home. Possibly there could be a move to larger accommodations in the coming months. After the 21<sup>st</sup> your energies turn creative and romantic for the next thirty day period.

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20



**Capricorn:** You're going to be busy this month with five planets crowded into your house of errands and messages. Jupiter, planet of expansion, has moved there for the next year and this insures your increased movement and information flow. Expect to hear from brothers and sisters in the months ahead, as well. After the 21<sup>st</sup> your home becomes your main interest. Sudden expenses could take you by surprise during the last week. Be ready.

Jan. 21 - Feb. 18



**Aquarius:** Financial matters really have your attention this month. Five planets including lucky Jupiter and Venus are crowded into your house of Cash these first three weeks of March. This may be just the right time to setup a savings plan. After the 21<sup>st</sup> life gets very busy when all the planets move into your third house of messages and errands. You could hear from brothers and sisters during the last week of the month and into April.



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Section B

March 2010

## Ready, Set, Go!

### Runners To Kick Off First Day of Spring at Canyonlands Half Marathon

On Saturday March 20, over 5000 runners will line up at the start lines of the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Canyonlands Half Marathon and Five Mile Run. Among the racers will be returning champions, first-time half-marathoners, families, locals and far-flung visitors. Approximately 100 participants will be running the race for at least the tenth year; 15 will be coming from outside the United States, and another 15 will be older than 70. Forty-five states will be represented with Utah contributing the greatest number of runners—close to 2400.

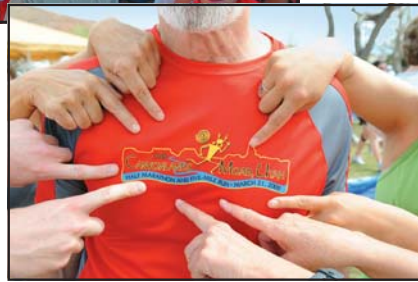


To support this vast and diverse crowd, over 400 volunteers will hand out race bags, staff the start lines, distribute water and Gatorade at aid stations, course marshal, and help at the finish line. "This event gets great feedback every year due to all the fantastic volunteers who make it run smoothly," said Race Director Ranna Bieschke.

In fact, the event has become so popular that a lottery is used to determine which of the thousands of applicants will gain entry. Lucky runners will descend on Moab March 19<sup>th</sup> to pick up their bib numbers, race shirts and "goody bags" at the Packet Pickup Expo at the Center Street Gym the day before the race. "We are looking forward to our second year at Center Street Gym," said Expo Coordinator Hillary Mead. "Its greater space and central location in town makes setup easier and the Expo more accessible for runners walking from their hotels."

For those who missed out in the lottery, alternative entries were available this year through charity donation to the Moab Area Regional Medical Center, the Huntsman Cancer Foundation's Hometown Heroes and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Team In Training. Altogether, over \$100,000 is expected to be raised for these organizations, which will provide a new medical center in Moab and

funding for cancer research, patient care and education, respectively. An additional \$4,000 was raised for local organizations including the Grand County High Cross Country Team, Moab Taiko Dan, Humane Society of Moab Valley and Seekhaven Family Crisis and Resource Center. "Supporting local and



charitable organizations is an important objective," says Bieschke, adding, "It's great to see so many local organizations and individuals come together to put on an event that brings real benefits to our community."



2009 Five Mile Winner Nicholas Kipruto

**NOTE**  
**Highway 128 will closed** Saturday, March 20 from 8 AM-12:30 PM.  
**500 West and 400 North** along the race course will be **restricted** or closed to traffic between 9 AM and 1 PM on Saturday, March 20.

Another of Moab Half Marathon's objectives is to cultivate as green an event as possible. Plastic water bottles were abandoned in 2007 in favor of large water coolers from which runners and spectators could refill cups or personal water bottles. In 2009, the organization introduced durable, reusable and fashionable bags for the runner sweat bags. They also contracted with a local sponsor, the Moab Adventure Center, to provide shuttle vehicles to the start of the races, thereby reducing the number of buses needed to travel to Moab from Grand Junction. This year they will be ramping up composting and recycling efforts at the finish with a "Green Team" who will sort all trash and encourage runners to recycle and compost when possible. "We are very excited that the Canyonlands Community Recycle Center board has agreed to sign on as our Green Team," said Bieschke.

Race start times are 9:30 am for the Five Mile Run and 10:00 am for the Half Marathon. Last year's Five Mile winner Nicholas Kipruto will be back to attempt to better his record-setting time of 23:55, and Half Marathon winner Ewen North will return to attempt to hold his title for another year. Spectators are encouraged to come out and cheer for their favorite athletes along 500 West, 400 North and the Finish Area Expo at Swanny City Park. While there, they can enjoy live music and visit the varied food and retail vendors around the park.

The Canyonlands Half Marathon thanks all participants and community members for their support of this year's event. See you at the finish line!

#### Packet Pickup Expo Location:

Center Street Gym, 217 East Center St  
Friday 1-9 PM Saturday 7-7:30 AM  
Buses will begin loading on Saturday at HMK Elementary School at 7:30 AM.

Runners and spectators are encouraged to walk to Swanny City Park from their hotels, as parking is limited.

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# MOAB STUDIO TOUR HAPPENINGS

## Moab Artists' Studio Tour Set For Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>

The Moab Artists' Studio Tour, in cooperation with the Skinny Tire Festival, will open its studios to the public for one day on Sunday, March 14th, from 12 Noon to 6 PM. Directions and maps to the artists' studios are available at [www.moabstudiotour.com](http://www.moabstudiotour.com).

The participating local artists are inviting everyone to drop by and see what they've all been creating over this long winter in Moab. The studio tour is now in its seventh year and continues to present a great opportunity for artists and visitors alike to share the ideas and inspirations each takes from this incredible landscape and its inhabitants.

The participating artists will be donating artworks to the Skinny Tire Festival's silent auction which benefits the Cancer Treatment and Resource Center at Moab Regional Hospital.

The seven artists on this Tour are Nick Eason, Bruce Hucko, Jonathan and North Frank, Chad Niehaus, Bob Ridges and Jacci Weller.

Nick Eason's work blends the smooth curves and subtle lines of the natural world with the unique characteristics of the hardwoods he carves. His work has led to numerous awards from competitions and juried shows, and his sculpture can be found in a growing number of collections. He states, "Creating art is largely a solitary activity. Each year I look forward to the winter months when outside activities slow down, and full attention can be focused upon turning scattered observations and rough concepts into the foundations for new work. Participation in the Moab Studio Tours is a great way to share that creative experience with others."



"Got Lunch" by wood sculptor Nick Eason

Bruce Hucko is a fine art photographer, author and educator whose inspiration comes from the landscape of the American West and the relationship people have with it. He divides his time between his own creative work, local community work and serving as Art Coach for Moab's Red Rock Elementary School. For this Spring's tour, he will feature new and cool B&W ice photos, intimate images of desert water, a new line of greeting cards and his classic area landscapes. He has a bike rack waiting for you!



Needles District landscape by photographer Bruce Hucko

Jonathan Frank is a nationally known, award winning artist. His high definition watercolor landscape paintings depict dramatic scenes of the natural world bathed in intense color and light. Frank will also be introducing a new body of abstract expressionistic work done primarily in the style of action drip painting. It employs the physics of fluid in motion to create random acts of beauty. If you would like to see a demonstration of this new work, please bring an umbrella.

North Frank's art work is abstract in nature, and she is devoted to understanding the human soul through creative expression. She combines animal silhouettes with brightly colored landscapes and abstract elements to create whimsical paintings in both acrylic and watercolor. She is happy to be living and working in Grand County, Utah and enjoys participating in the Moab Artists Studio Tour as it allows her to meet both locals and visitors who also appreciate the natural beauty of this area.



Painter North Frank at work



"Subvert-Garden" part of Chad Niehaus' new image and clothing line

Chad Niehaus, an award-winning artist based in Moab, is working on a few different projects at the moment. He is completing a limited edition block print book, creating a clothing line called Subvert™, and preparing for a one-man show at Edge of the Cedars Museum in 2011. Visit Chad on the web at [MoabArt.com](http://MoabArt.com).

Bob Ridges found his artistic passion in the uncommon medium of gourds. He grows all of his gourds here in Moab. Using wood burning tools, inks and dyes, he transforms these versatile vegetables into unique pots, bowls, dipper, musical instruments and a variety of other useful and ornamental objects.



Gourd Artist Bob Ridges



Painter Jacci Weller at her home studio

Jacci Weller creates acrylic paintings on canvas and her inspiration is nearly every plant in the high desert that is growing or being dormant or bursting with spring rain or drying into grassy golden stands or blooming in brief, vibrant colors or any of it just poking through the snow. Rocks too. And, there's always the light - different in each season. She will be displaying new landscapes from the winter's work.

For more information, visit [www.moabstudiotour.com](http://www.moabstudiotour.com)



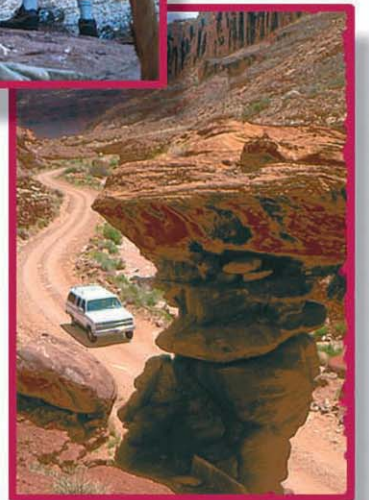
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# TRAIL HAPPENINGS

## CASTLETON TOWER IN CASTLE VALLEY

by David Erley

“WOW!” is generally the first comment made when sighting Castleton Tower and the Priest and Nuns in Castle Valley. Of course these local icons can be seen when driving the River Road (Utah Hwy 128, a Scenic Byway) but the full impact is up close.

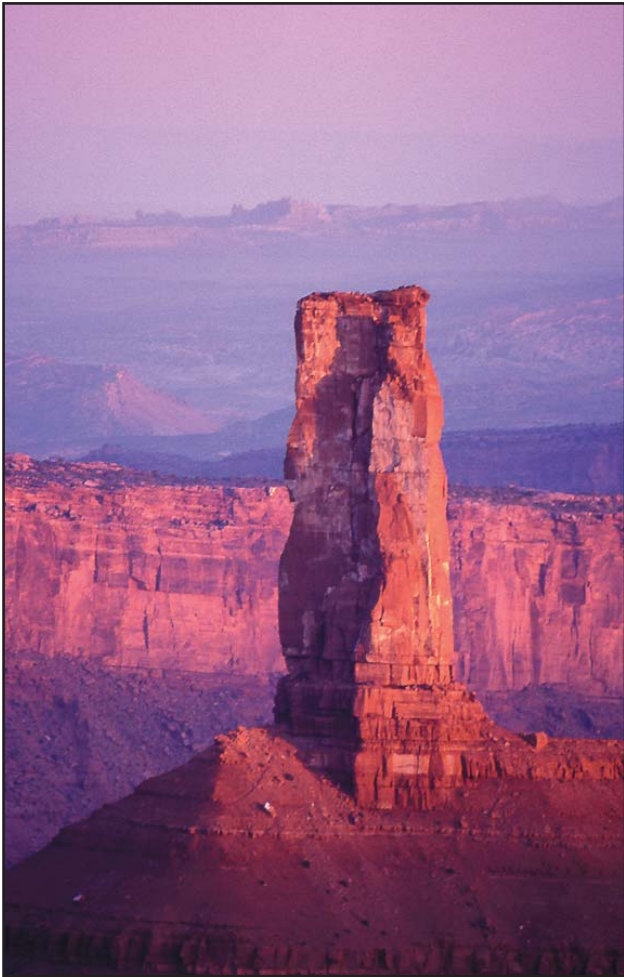


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Mountains and everything in between. In the spring, the hike contrasts the red rock desert with the snow covered La Sals making for a very memorable hiking experience. The route has a fair bit of exposure so if you are uncomfortable in airy places or are hiking with small children this is not the trail for you. Since this is an out and back hike, one can decide to turn around when the trail gets steep or the hiker becomes uncomfortable. Even hiking part way brings memorable views to the hiker.

Bring plenty of water, especially in summer (at least 2 quarts per person), wear a hat and use sunscreen. Remember that if thunderstorms are in the forecast this hike should be avoided due to lightning danger.

In 1961, Castleton Tower was the first desert tower climbed in Utah by the rock climbing pioneers, Layton Kor and Huntley Ingalls. This cutting edge climb has since been included in Fifty Classic Climbs of North America. It is the most popular desert spire and has seen well over a thousand ascents. In 2003, Utah Open Lands (UOL), a statewide land trust, preserved the base lands that provide access to the tower from development. UOL has spearheaded the stewardship of this incredible place with proceeds raised at the annual showing of the Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour in Moab. The 7th annual event is scheduled for Monday, March 15th. Please see adjoining article and advertisement for more information. If you are interested



in more climbing history of the area, or just the history of the Moab area, visit the Dan O’Laurie Museum of Moab. The museum is currently featuring climbing in the 2009 Fall/Winter issue of the Canyon Legacy.

Castleton Tower is in the Colorado River Corridor which is administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The River Corridor and adjacent lands are incredibly scenic and are highly sought for recreation and moviemaking. Countless commercials, some music videos, and many movies have been filmed using this landscape as a spectacular background. Movies like Cheyenne Autumn along with John Wayne classics such as Rio Grande and Wagon Master were filmed here and, more recently, segments of City Slicker II and Geronimo. Visit the Moab Museum of Film and Western Heritage located in the area at the Red Cliffs Lodge at Mile Post 14 on Highway 128.

If the Castleton Tower Access Trail sounds too difficult, then try one of the other hiking trails along the River Corridor; Negro Bill, Amphitheater Loop, or the Fisher Towers trails.

To access the Colorado River Corridor, take Utah State Highway 128, the River Road, from its junction with Highway 191 at the Colorado River crossing.

To reach Castleton Tower, turn right on the La Sal Mountain Loop Road located at Mile Post 16 on Highway 128. Drive between four and five miles and look for a very large cairn (pile of big rocks) on the left side of the road. Follow the dirt road a short distance to a parking area, a small campground and the trailhead. Walk in the wash upstream and then follow the trail signs and cairns. Once out of the wash, the



Photo by Yrma van der Steenstraeten

trail should be obvious so if it isn’t, please look around carefully to find it. There is only one trail accessing the base of Castleton Tower.

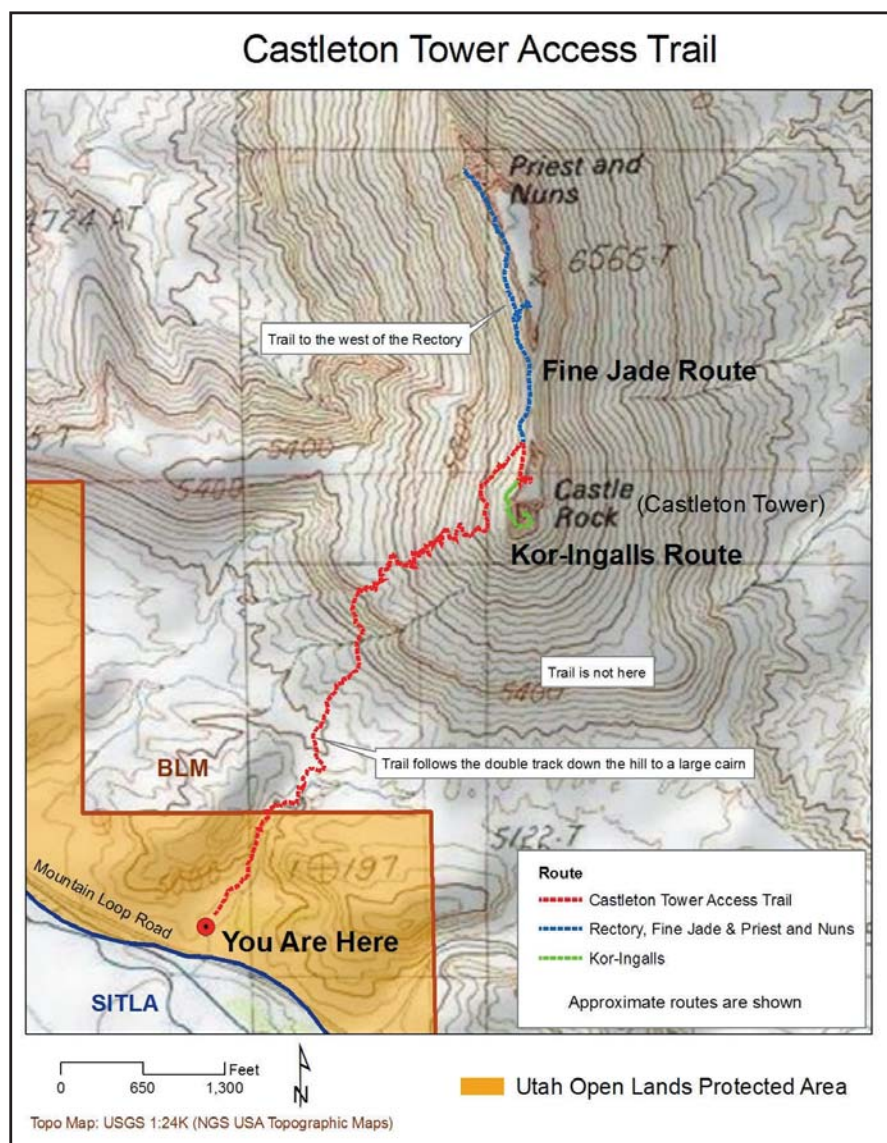
The author of this article, David Erley, is the current mayor of Castle Valley and previously led the local UOL efforts, which included spending many hours working on the Castleton Tower access trail and the camping area near the parking lot. In addition Dave is an active member of Trail Mix.

Trail Mix, a Grand County Advisory Committee develops and maintains non motorized trails for a variety of users including hikers, bikers, skiers and equestrians. We meet the second Tues. of each month at the Grand Center 182 N 500 W from 12-2. Everyone is welcome. Sandy 259-0253 or www.grandcountyutah.net/trailmix/. Get involved with trails through the many volunteer opportunities!



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Castleton Tower, also know as Castle Rock, one of the most impressive desert towers, is the birth place of desert climbing in Utah, and remains the destination for many climbers. However, the more advanced hiker can thoroughly enjoy the access route. The access trail was built to service the rock climbing community and is not for the faint-hearted or out of shape. The vertical rise is around 1,000 feet, the trail is steep, and is considered a difficult hike. The trail is in good repair as it has been worked on extensively over the last few years with the help of Trail Mix and other volunteer organizations. The intrepid hiker will be rewarded with 360 degree views ranging from Arches National Park and the Colorado River, to the La Sal



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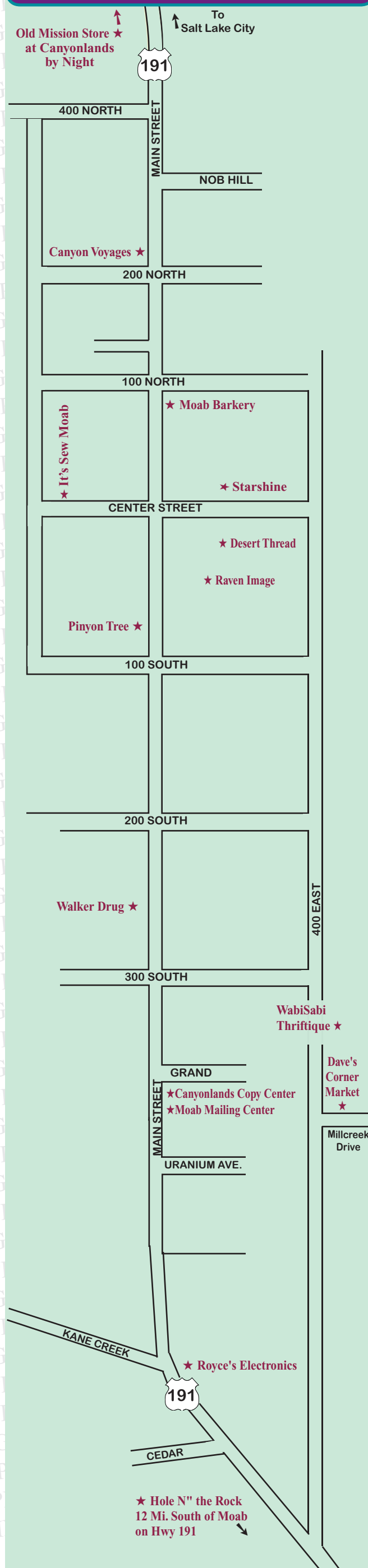


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March 12-16th brings hundreds of road cyclists to the Mecca of mountain biking to enjoy four days of fully supported, world class routes through Moab's most spectacular landscape. Participants are treated to rolling routes along the Colorado River, through the River Portal, to Dead Horse Point State Park and the crown jewel of participating in a supported ride through world famous Arches National Park. The Festival quickly became a yearly pilgrimage for cyclists eager to brush off the winter cold and venture into warmer spring temperatures in Moab. This cycling season opener has attracted riders from not only local states, but throughout the nation and even the world.

So what is it about Moab that 'roadies' find so attractive, and how did they discover it in the first place? To answer that, we go back ten years to a single cyclist who had just lost his brother to cancer. Overwhelming powerful emotions driving him to 'do something', he decided to



put purpose to his cycling passion, and invited others to do the same, and the Moab Skinny Tire Festival was born. Although that first year didn't bring in the numbers it does now, it did bring in the passion. Riders came because they believed in the cause, but they returned because of the experience and inspiration of riding through the beauty of this redrock wonderland.

Each year, the Skinny adds new elements like Taiko drummers at the crest of a steep climb to encourage and celebrate riders to achieving their goals. This year will see a coveted Fezzari CR5 bike frame give away, live music, great food, vendo expo with demo bikes and special guest

speakers Michael Fogarty and Robert Kunz of 1<sup>st</sup> Endurance, known as nutritionists to the stars. The event also coincides with the Moab Artists Studio Tour and the Banff Mountain Film Festival to add to the off-bike activities.

Icons in the cycling industry have discovered the Festival as well. Bob Roll, an original 7/11 team racer who took the Americans to the Tour de France turned television commentator, shares "I used to come to Moab all of the time to mountain bike. Finally one day I said, 'wow, these

are great roads'. Now when I come I leave the mountain bike at home."

Perhaps Chris Carmichael states it best. As Lance Armstrong's original Tour de France coach, Carmichael

has experienced just about every terrain and cycling paradise imaginable. When asked for his impressions of the Moab Skinny Tire Festival, he summed it up with a warning, "Be prepared to have your breath taken away around every corner." Many other icons have discovered this road cycling paradise and surprised participants at the events by riding shoulder to shoulder with them and sharing their stories and cycling tips.

But it's not just the amazing landscape where one's soul feels like it can come out and play. It's not just the inspirational views that make one feel both empowered and insignificant at the same time. It's a combination of that and the underlining emotions of hundreds of others coming together sharing a passion, for a reason.

Established as a benefit ride for cancer survivorship and research programs, all proceeds go back into changing the world of cancer. A new local cycling group has been

established and raises money through the Festival, as more locals come out to enjoy the variety of routes to match individual fitness levels. To date, the Moab Skinny Tire Events has raised, and donated, roughly \$1.6 million dollars to various beneficiaries including the Moab Cancer Treatment and Resource Center in the new Moab Valley Healthcare Hospital. Not bad for the Mecca of mountain biking, now is it?

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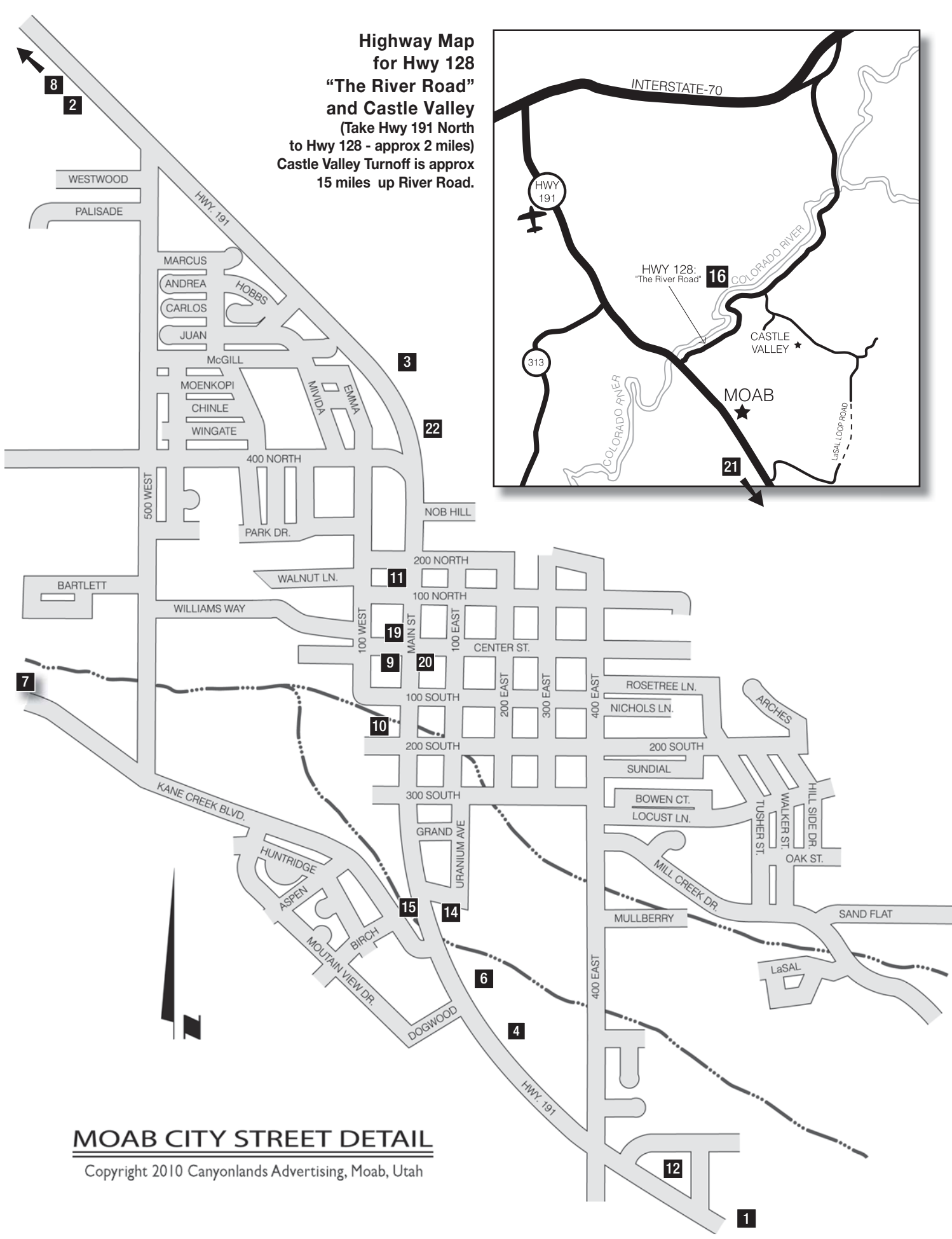
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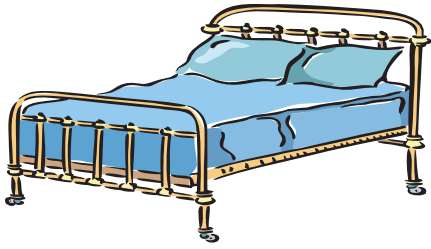
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# FILM HAPPENINGS

## The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour in Moab

The Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour returns to Moab on Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. The festival features the world's best mountain films from 2009. This year, the tradition of showing exhilarating adrenaline films along with a captivating cultural film will continue.

The films range from powder skiing in Japan to kayaking in Africa as well as a free-solo rock climb of Half Dome in Yosemite National Park to a sojourn to Mustang, the Tibetan region of Nepal. This year's feature film, "Take a Seat", documents a tandem bike journey from Alaska to Tierra del Fuego with a twist. The rider picks up volunteers along the way to help him peddle sections of the entire journey. This is a story of adventure and faith in mankind. Overall, the films offer something for just about everyone with a knack for adventure sports and world travel.

The event is a benefit for Utah Open Lands, a statewide land trust, which has protected over



Mustang- Journey of Transformation

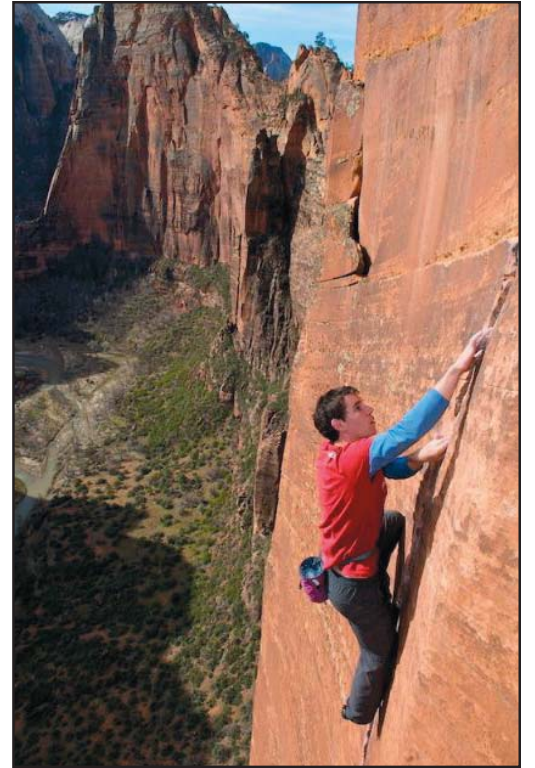


Take a Seat

50,000 acres of open space. All proceeds from this event go directly to support the stewardship effort at Castleton Tower. Castleton Tower was included in Fifty Classic Climbs in North America and is recognized as the birthplace of desert sandstone tower climbing. It is also a

famous scenic landmark of southeastern Utah. In 2003, Utah Open Lands acquired 217 acres at the base of the tower. Although Castleton Tower sits on BLM land, this private parcel, which controls access, was slated for development. With support from the outdoor industry, rock-climbing community, and many foundations, Utah Open Lands purchased the property to preserve the area as open space and protect both the public access and the historic use.

Petzl, a leading manufacturer of climbing gear and headlamps world-wide, was one of the companies that worked closely with Utah Open Lands to preserve this land. The Banff Mountain Film Festival comes to Moab because of Petzl America. The company is a sponsor of the overall film festival and tour. As a result, they are given priority when a new tour date opens up. This is a rarity. Back in 2004, fresh off the Castleton Tower Preservation Initiative, a date opened up and Petzl suggested to the Banff Centre staff that



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So, please join Utah Open Lands for a night of over-the-top adrenaline, gorgeous scenery, exotic culture, and at the same time support conservation of one of Utah's iconic landmarks.

The event is Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Grand County High School Auditorium located at 608 S. 400 East in Moab. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Tickets are available at Back of Beyond Books, Canyon Voyages, Pagan Mountaineering, and Poison Spider Bikes.

## JEFF CHANDLER Action and Westerns Actor

by John Hagner

Jeff was born in Brooklyn and attended Erasmus High School. He stood 6'4" by the time he was fifteen, and started to gray when he was eighteen. Jeff's birth name was Ira Grossel and he was nicknamed Big Gray. Following high school, he took a drama course and worked in stock companies for a couple of years. During World War II, Jeff was an officer and when he was discharged he got busy as an actor in radio dramas and comedies until he was signed by Universal Studios. This would be in the fifties when Jeff would become a star making westerns and action pictures.

He was nominated for an Academy Award for his role as Cochise in "Broken Arrow" (1950). Following this, he played the role of Cochise in two sequels: "The Battle at Apache Pass" (1952) and "Taza, Son of Cochise" (1954), both of which were filmed on location in and around Moab, Utah. His premature gray hair and tanned features served him well in his westerns and action films, as well as soaps and costume movies. While filming "Merrill's Marauders" (1962), Jeff died, at age 42, from blood poisoning after an operation for a slipped disc. His death following surgery was deemed malpractice and resulted in a large lawsuit and settlement for his children, Jamie and Dana.

A childhood friend and neighbor was Susan Hayward. When his friend Sammy Davis, Jr. lost an eye in an accident and was in danger of losing the other, Jeff offered to give him one of his own eyes.

He portrayed Philip Boynton on CBS Radio's "Our Miss Brooks" from 1948-1957.

His former lover Esther Williams, in her tell-tale 1999 biography, put Chandler back in the headlines after asserting that he was a cross-dresser. She told him, "Jeff, you're too big for polka dots." Esther later

admitted privately that this had no basis in fact, and was made up simply to bolster interest in her book.

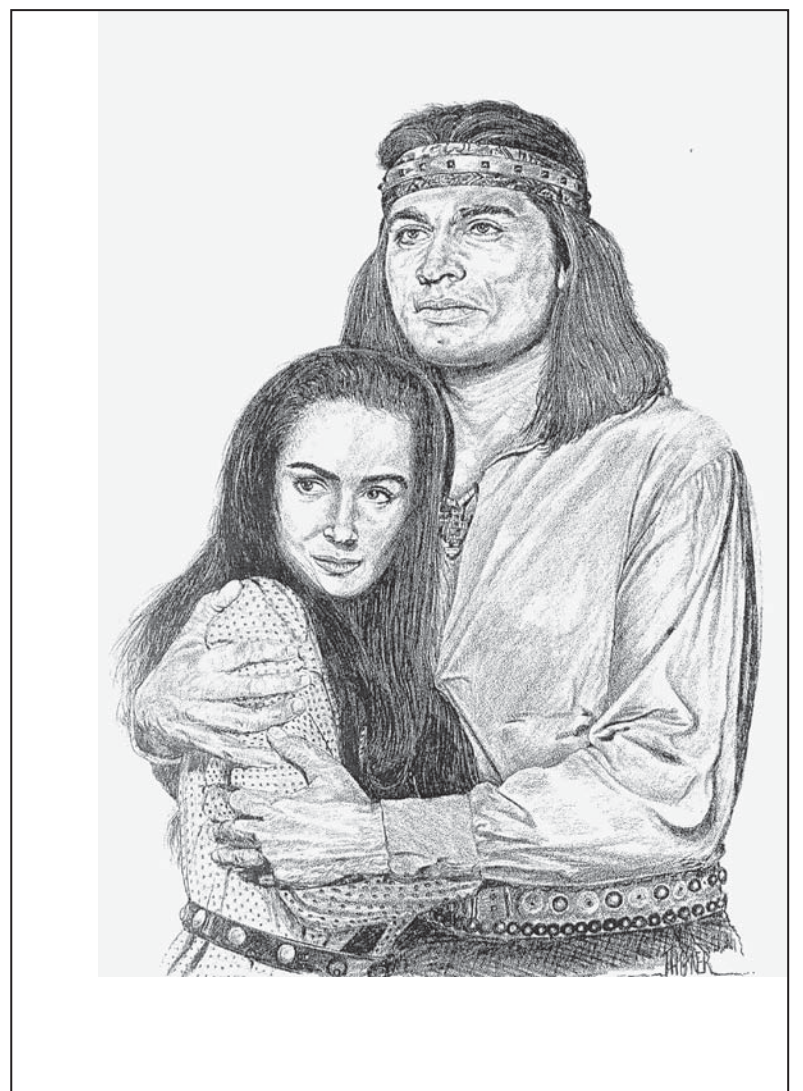
He possessed a fine singing voice, and at the height of his film career, recorded several successful albums for Liberty Records.

The "Johnny Quest" character "Race Bannon" was modeled on Jeff Chandler.

He died in Culver City, Los Angeles, California. Actor Gerald Mohr was among the celebrities at his funeral and Tony Curtis was a pallbearer.

Portrait of Jeff Chandler and Susan Cabot is from "Battle At Apache Pass"; and was drawn by John Hagner, Founder of the Hollywood Stuntmen's Hall of Fame, now headquartered in Moab, Utah, since 1989. The Hall of Fame was opened to the visiting public from 1989 until 1997. The memorabilia is in storage awaiting the time when a building will become available to reopen.

Anyone interested in more information regarding the Hall of Fame may contact John Hagner at 435 260-2160, or write him at 81 W. Kane Creek Blvd. - #12, Moab, Utah. Email: stuntmenhalloffame@aigmail.com, or johnhagner@yahoo.com. Additional information on John Hagner, click in on [www.google.com](http://www.google.com) (John Hagner: A Personal Story ... U.S.S. Philippine Sea - South Pole Expedition -1946-47.)



Jeff Chandler and Susan Cabot



# PARK HAPPENINGS

## Answers to Frequently Asked Questions at Dead Horse Point State Park

By Kim Clawson

As spring arrives and the park starts getting busy, park staff thought it would be useful to answer some commonly asked questions at Dead Horse Point State Park.

**“Where are the restrooms?”** The restrooms are located outside the visitor center, around the building. They are modern restrooms with flushing toilets and drinking water. Modern restrooms are also located at the Point overlook and at the campground.

**“What are those blue ponds?”** The blue ponds visible from Dead Horse Point State Park are evaporation ponds from the Intrepid Potash Mine. Water is pumped into an underground salt deposit. The salt water is then dyed blue (to make it evaporate faster) and pumped into shallow ponds where it evaporates, leaving the salt behind. The salt is processed at the facility (not visible from the visitor center) and sold mainly as plant fertilizer. These ponds have been in place since 1971.

**“How do you get water to the park?”** We bring water to the park by truck four days a week during the busy season and a couple times a month during the winter. There are four holding tanks in the park so we can offer flushing toilets and drinking water. We do not provide water for RV tanks and there are no showers in the campground.

**“Where is the spot where Thelma and Louise drove into the canyon?”** Thelma and Louise was not actually filmed inside the park but if you look down into the canyon you see the dirt road they were using. This is called the Potash Road, which is accessible from

Highway 279 or from the Shafer Trail at Canyonlands National Park, Island in the Sky. Other filming projects inside the park include Against a Crooked Sky (1975), Space Hunter: Adventures in the Forbidden Zone (1982), MacGyver, Pilot episode (1985), Mission Impossible 2 (1999) and Touched by an Angel (2001).

**“Do you sell ice cream?”** No, but I wish we did! We do have ice available at the visitor center. We also sell soft drinks, water and snacks.

**“Why do I have to pay \$10 just to come into the park?”** The entrance fees provide for the care, protection and enhancement of the park. It also helps fund interpretive programs, mountain bike and hiking trail maintenance, and new exhibits for the museum and art gallery.

**“Is my dog allowed on the trails?”** Pets are allowed on the hiking trails but they must be kept on a maximum six-foot leash. Please clean up after them. Dogs are not allowed on the Intrepid Trail System.

**“Is there camping here?”** Yes! We have a 21-unit campground with electrical hook-ups but no water or sewer hook-ups. There is

also a sanitary dump station. To make reservations, call 1-800-322-3770 (open M-Th from 7 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.) or go to [www.reserveamerica.com](http://www.reserveamerica.com). Reservations must be made at least two days in advance. For more information, visit our website at [www.stateparks.utah.gov/dead-horse](http://www.stateparks.utah.gov/dead-horse).

**“Do you allow weddings at the park?”** We do! To plan a wedding or other special event, contact the park manager at (435) 259-2614. There is a form online for special events at [www.stateparks.utah.gov/about/specialevent](http://www.stateparks.utah.gov/about/specialevent).

**Dead Horse Point State Park** is located nine miles northwest of Moab on US 191 and then 23 miles southwest on Utah 313 to the end of the highway.

**The Park hours are 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.**  
**Visitor Center Hours:**  
**Summer - 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.**

The last question is, of course, **“How did Dead Horse Point State Park get its name?”** Cowboys used to herd mustangs across a narrow neck of land connecting Dead Horse Point with the rest of the mesa. The Neck is only about 30 yards wide and the rest of the Point is surrounded by 400-foot cliffs. All the cowboys had to do was build a brush fence across the Neck and the horses were trapped. They then chose the horses they wanted to sell in town and left the rest on the Point. As the legend has it, the cowboys either left the fence up or the horses somehow got trapped, 2000 feet above the Colorado River where they died of thirst.

The park is open from 6 A.M. to 10 P.M. and the visitor center is open from 8 A.M. to 6 P.M. during the summer. Get out and PLAY at your Utah State Parks!



# MILEAGES TO MOAB

Distances used on this chart are based on main numbered routes from point to point. Shorter distances may be available using different routes.

	Albuquerque, N.M.	Arches	Blanding, Utah	Bluff, Utah	Bryce Canyon N.P.	Canyonlands N.P.	Canyonlands Needles	Canyon Rims	Capitol Reef N.P.	Cortez, Colorado	Dead Horse Point	Denver, Colorado	Durango, Colorado	Goosenecks	Grand Canyon N. Rim	Grand Canyon S. Rim	Grand Junction, CO	Green River, Utah	Hovenweep	Lake Powell Halls Csg.	Lake Powell Hite	Las Vegas, Nevada	Los Angeles, CA	Mesa Verde N.P.	Mexican Hat, Utah	Moab, Utah	Monticello, Utah	Monument Valley	Natural Bridges	Newspaper Rock	Page, Arizona	Phoenix, Arizona	Price, Utah	Salt Lake City, Utah	Zion National Park
Albuquerque, New Mexico		367	329	355	608	398	359	353	487	249	396	444	218	389	535	407	430	415	291	419	416	587	805	278	382	362	307	324	376	335	456	449	548	730	575
Arches National Park	367		81	107	361	31	62	80	244	119	29	356	165	142	499	325	110	49	116	171	168	447	722	149	134	5	60	159	129	58	285	480	110	230	404
Blanding, Utah	329	81		26	279	113	58	74	158	83	111	446	130	56	322	242	196	130	45	90	87	358	630	99	52	74	22	77	47	47	199	393	192	321	322
Bluff, Utah	355	107	26		301	139	84	100	180	82	137	477	152	30	296	220	222	152	35	110	107	332	604	125	26	103	48	51	65	74	173	367	214	343	296
Bryce Canyon National Park	608	361	279	301		310	347	353	100	361	418	553	406	331	219	159	308	221	320	282	192	205	477	390	323	356	301	277	232	327	151	378	280	324	86
Canyonlands National Park	398	31	113	139	310		109	86	275	151	2	377	196	169	435	359	142	80	158	203	200	478	750	180	165	36	91	190	150	89	316	506	142	362	435
Canyonlands N.P. Needles	359	62	58	84	347	109		70	230	106	107	434	151	114	380	314	188	126	113	148	145	524	746	135	120	73	46	145	115	20	271	451	188	308	390
Canyon Rims Rec. Area	353	80	74	100	353	86	70		236	112	84	411	157	130	396	320	165	103	119	164	161	501	773	141	126	50	52	151	121	50	277	467	165	285	396
Capitol Reef National Park	487	244	158	180	100	275	230	236		244	273	422	289	209	319	259	177	75	199	161	71	336	608	273	202	239	184	227	111	209	353	509	134	257	217
Cortez, Colorado	249	119	83	82	361	151	106	112	244		149	421	45	139	405	324	204	158	47	172	169	566	838	29	128	105	60	159	129	85	285	475	220	359	404
Dead Horse Point	396	29	111	137	418	2	107	84	273	149		375	194	167	433	367	127	78	156	201	198	392	664	178	163	34	89	188	148	87	314	504	140	260	433
Denver, Colorado	444	356	446	477	553	377	434	411	422	421	375		339	462	750	681	246	346	468	536	533	758	1031	550	490	361	416	519	493	414	638	826	408	512	764
Durango, Colorado	218	165	130	152	406	196	151	157	289	45	194	339		183	450	337	170	271	92	220	217	575	847	54	143	160	105	168	174	130	294	520	333	404	413
Goosenecks	389	142	56	30	331	169	114	130	209	139	167	462	183		266	261	252	186	65	138	135	439	711	168	8	101	78	32	92	188	158	348	248	377	277
Grand Canyon North Rim	535	499	322	296	219	435	380	396	319	405	433	750	450	266		214	505	404	277	404	401	237	509	434	270	396	344	236	361	370	123	347	466	413	127
Grand Canyon South Rim	407	325	242	220	159	359	314	320	259	324	367	681	337	261	214		417	372	255	324	321	283	555	357	194	320	268	169	287	263	139	217	434	583	297
Grand Junction, Colorado	430	110	196	222	308	142	188	165	177	204	127	246	170	252	505	417		101	241	286	283	510	782	233	247	115	170	248	243	168	395	590	163	285	493
Green River, Utah	415	49	130	152	221	80	126	103	75	158	78	346	271	186	404	372	101		175	220	217	398	664	197	184	53	108	203	177	106	329	519	62	182	241
Hovenweep	291	116	45	35	320	158	113	119	199	47	156	468	92	65	277	255	241	175		127	124	491	763	76	61	122	67	86	84	92	210	402	237	366	331
Lake Powell Halls Crossing	419	171	90	110	282	203	148	164	161	172	201	536	220	138	404	324	286	220	127		90	562	838	201	134	164	112	155	43	137	281	471	171	411	400
Lake Powell Hite Marina	416	168	87	107	192	200	145	161	71	169	198	533	217	135	401	321	283	217	124	90		559	831	198	131	161	109	152	40	134	278	468	96	408	397
Las Vegas, Nevada	587	447	358	332	205	478	524	501	336	566	392	758	575	439	237	283	510	398	491	562	559		272	595	432	451	506	307	525	512	281	287	460	419	121
Los Angeles, California	805	722	630	604	477	750	796	773	608	838	664	1031	847	711	509	555	782	664	763	838	831	272		867	704	717	779	579	797	784	553	376	602	691	393
Mesa Verde N.P., Colorado	278	149	99	125	390	180	135	141	273	29	178	550	54	168	434	357	233	197	76	201	198	595	867		163	144	89	188	158	115	314	504	259	388	433
Mexican Hat, Utah	382	134	52	26	323	165	120	126	202	128	163	490	143	8	270	194	247	184	61	134	131	432	704	163		129	74	25	91	99	151	341	240	373	270
Moab, Utah	362	5	74	103	356	36	73	50	239	115	34	361	160	101	396	320	115	53	122	164	161	451	717	144	129		54	151	120	53	280	475	115	235	294
Monticello, Utah	307	60	22	48	301	91	46	52	184	60	89	416	105	78	344	268	170	108	67	112	109	506	779	89	74	54		99	72	28	225	415	168	299	344
Monument Valley	324	159	73	51	277	190	145	151	227	159	188	519	168	32	236	169	248	203	86	155	152	307	579	188	25	151	99		118	125	126	316	265	394	245
Natural Bridges Natl Monument	376	129	47	65	232	150	115	121	111	129	148	493	174	92	361	287	243	177	84	43	40	525	797	158	91	120	72	118		94	244	432	136	368	363
Newspaper Rock	335	58	47	74	327	89	20	50	209	85	87	414	130	188	370	263	168	106	92	137	134	512	784	115	99	53	28	125	94		231	440	168	334	370
Page, Arizona	456	285	199	173	151	316	271	277	353	285	314	638	294	158	123	139	395	329	210	281	278	281	553												



# SCENIC ROAD HAPPENINGS

## Chicken Corners

Article and Photos by Rob Cassingham

The Chicken Corners route leads visitors through a land bordered by sheer cliffs 1000 feet high on your left and the Colorado River hundreds of feet below you on the right. Affording views few visitors to Moab will ever experience, intrepid travelers can enjoy balanced rocks, a naturally formed limestone bridge (a rarity in the region), a large red rock mass riddled with water-formed tunnels and caves, and a short but thrilling traverse across a narrow ledge high above the river—the appropriately named Chicken Corners.

In last month's (February) issue of the Moab Happenings, the route to Hurrah Pass was detailed. This month, we detail the remainder of the route from the summit of Hurrah pass to the road's end, just beyond Chicken Corners. The portion of the trip up to Hurrah Pass is fine for 2wd vehicles. Beyond the summit the road is a little rougher, though still easily traveled by stock 4wd vehicles. For more details on the route to Hurrah pass, you may pick up the February 2010 issue of the Moab Happenings at the Canyonlands Copy Center, located at 375 South Main Street.

To begin this road log, start at the intersection of Main and Center Streets, then head South .6 miles to Kane Creek Road. Turn right, and follow the road another .7 miles. When the road forks, continue straight head. At every intersection thereafter, continue driving forward. You will reach the summit of Hurrah Pass 15.2 miles from the Main and Center Street intersection. Reset your tripmeter, and when you have finished enjoying the view, continue your trek to Chicken Corners!

**Mile 0** You are at Hurrah Pass. Start this road log by driving downhill to the west. The road comes closer to edge several times than it did on your way up to Hurrah Pass, so drive carefully.

**Mile .4** A photogenic 'balanced rock' is just to the left of the road.

**Mile 1.8** The road has reached a broad limestone bench, and you are no longer near the edge of sheer drops. For the time being, anyway.

**Mile 2.5** The road to the right is a 4x4 route that leads to Jackson Hole, which is an abandoned meander of the Colorado River. You should continue straight ahead. Just past this point, your route goes over a small rock ledge. This is the biggest obstacle your vehicle will have to surmount on this route.



Most mud puddles are easily avoided.

**Mile 2.8** At this intersection, you can go either straight or to the right—they both lead to the same place. However, the road log mileage is based on turning right at this point and heading uphill.

**Mile 3.7** The grayish hills to the right are piles of river gravel deposited when the Colorado River was at this elevation.

**Mile 4.2** Continue straight at this intersection.

**Mile 4.4** At this intersection, you are to continue straight ahead. The road to the left leads to 'Dripping Springs'. A few hundred yards down this road is a large mass of red sandstone on the right. 'Catacomb Rock', as it is known, is riddled with passages, tunnels and caves. This is a



Mile 6.1 Rico Bridge

great spot to get out and stretch your legs and explore. Kids love this place, but you should accompany them. Though there is little to no chance of collapse or yawning chasms to fall into, the rock is still mighty hard if you fall! If you should visit this spot on your way out to Chicken Corners, your mileages will be off from those listed in this article. Adjust your mileages accordingly, or visit Catacomb Rock on your return trip.

**Mile 4.9** At this intersection, continue straight. The road to the right leads to the river. When ranching was still king in Moab, ranchers would often pasture their cattle where the modern day Island in the Sky district of Canyonlands National Park is today. When the cowboys would round the cattle up and move them to Moab, they would drive the cattle down the Shafer Trail and eventually across the Colorado River. Reaching dry ground, the cattle were then herded up the canyon at this intersection, then over Hurrah Pass and into town.



The road starts down from Hurrah Pass.

A short distance down the road towards the river is the husk of a late 1930s International pickup. One story concerning how this truck came to be here is as follows: In the late 1940s, the truck became stuck in deep sand. The driver labored to free the vehicle from the sand, but the exertion caused a fatal heart attack. The truck remains to this day, subject to repeated flash flooding and bullets.

**Mile 6.1** Approximately 15 feet to the right of the road, you may spot Rico Bridge, a natural limestone span. It may be easier to spot the bridge on your return trip. The limestone layer the bridge is formed from was once known as the Rico Formation, but that term fell out of favor with geologists in the 1980s. The layer is now known as Upper Hermosa formation, and was deposited in shallow seas approximately 300 million years ago.

**Mile 6.8** Continue straight at this intersection. The road to the left is a rugged 4x4 route that passes by Lockhart Basin, eventually reaching pavement just outside of the Needles District of Canyonlands National Park. If you choose to take this route, know that is a very rough, and will require a night camping en route. It is very remote, and it is advised you travel with at least two vehicles.

**Mile 10.1** You have arrived at Chicken Corners. Though it is only a short distance traversing the narrow ledge, the road is quite narrow and nearly 300 feet straight down.



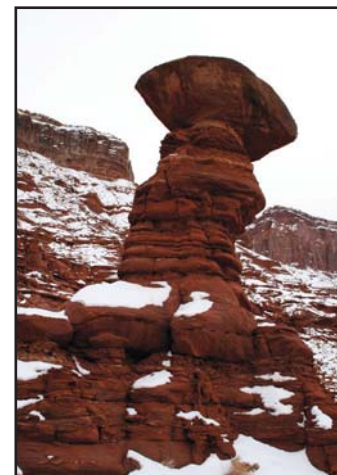
Mile 10.1 Chicken Corners. It is a LONG way down!

Those afraid of driving across the ledge often turn around at this point or walk the route rather than riding or driving. This is why Chicken Corners has received that name.

**Mile 11.5** End of the line. You have reached a view area high above the Colorado River. Across the river, high on the cliff top, you may be able to make out the viewing platform at Dead Horse Point State Park. Also across the river, at the same elevation as you, is where the climactic scene of the movie 'Thelma and Louise' was filmed—they drove their car off of the cliff. Down below, the river starts making a dramatic bend, forming the 'gooseneck' easily viewed from Dead Horse Point.

When you have finished enjoying the view, return to Moab via the same route you just drove.

Thank you for visiting Chicken Corners, and pick up next month's issue of the Moab Happenings for another great drive!



Mile 0.4 Balanced rock

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# NON-PROFIT HAPPENINGS

## Moab Community Theatre

Moab Community Theatre is pleased to announce its latest production, "Fictional Animals". The play will be performed on March 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm, and on Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 pm. Tickets are available for advance purchase at Arches Book Company for \$8; tickets are \$10 at the door. All performances are at Moab's historic Star Hall.

Moab Community Theatre (MCT) was founded in 1973 by Jean Roberts and her late husband Conrad. The first production was Bus Stop. Since then, MCT has produced dozens of plays representing the full spectrum of American theatre, including A.R. Gurney's The Dining Room, Michael Frayn's Noises Off, George Axelrod's The Seven Year Itch, David Lindsay-Abaire's Fuddy Meers, Eugene Ionesco's Exit the King, and Steve Martin's Picasso at the Lapin Agile.

MCT has premiered three plays by local writers: OK Gas and Groceries by Craig Rail, The History of Escargot by Rick Fullam, and The Letters Project by Chad and Emily Niehaus. Fictional Animals will be the fourth play in this special category. It is written by Moab resident Chaz Howard, a longtime member of MCT. Fictional Animals is a collage of theatrical shorts exploring the pleasures and perils of intimate human relationships. The play illustrates various points along the relationship continuum and doesn't shy away from the violent, the embarrassing, and the heartbreaking. The good times are represented as well.

MCT is a very accessible organization. People feel comfortable opening themselves up. Veteran actors love working with new actors. Everyone chips in and accomplishes amazing things together. And in case the feeling of creating meaningful art wasn't enough, the cast parties are unrivaled. These attributes are all alive and well with the production of Fictional Animals.

"Moab Community Theatre makes it possible for me to imbibe on the spirit of community to do what I must do for a good life: create and express myself," says writer and director Chaz Howard. Producer Chad Niehaus is excited to be surrounded by the creative energy everyone brings to Moab Community Theatre. He loves watching an idea unfold into a full stage production, and is particularly thrilled to be working on another locally written play.

Visitors to Moab are invited to discover the gem of Moab Community Theatre while they are here. Catching a play like Fictional Animals is a great way to see the amazing talent and creativity that reside in Moab. Locals are encouraged to come enjoy another home-spun delight.

Fictional Animals will be performed Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>; Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup>; Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>; Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>; and Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at Star Hall, which is located at 159 E. Center Street. Tickets will go on sale at Arches Book Company on March 10<sup>th</sup>. Please call (435) 259-9314 if you have any questions.

## Spring at Your Local Community Center

The Moab Arts and Recreation Center strives to offer community arts and events to enrich the lives of local residents. This spring the MARC will be hosting a "Jewelers Show" on April 3rd from 10:00am-6:00pm. Local and regional artists will be selling their wearable pieces of art. On April 24th from 10:00am – 6:00pm the 2nd Annual Local Arts & Crafts Fair will highlight local Moab artisans with the finest handmade goods.

Mid April, date TBA, the MARC and local Improv group will be coming together for a special performance all proceeds from the event will go to the purchase of new curtains for the MARC stage.

During the district spring break, the MARC in conjunction with the Youth Garden Project will be hosting a mini art camp for children. This week long art camp will lead by community art teachers and will encompass a variety of projects. Sign up early as space limited.

The annual MARC membership drive will be kicking off this spring. By becoming a MARC member you will receive 10% off MARC sponsored classes, discounts at local shops and, as always, be showing your support for your community art center!

In June watch for your invitation to the MARC Black Tie Gala. This event indulges the senses with elegant decorations, fanciful libations, and live performances. Entertainment includes fabulous big band dance music,

a piano bar, jazz musicians and a number of surprises throughout the evening. Taking advantage of every square inch of the MARC building, gala volunteers transform the MARC into a spectacle of sheer delight.

## Farmers' Market 2010 Poster Contest

The Moab Farmers' Market is looking for artwork to have on the Market's annual poster. The poster will be displayed around town and sold at the Farmer's Market. We are looking for an artwork which will draw people's attention to the poster and help advertise the Farmers' Market.

Vegetables, produce, farming, and gardens are 2010 themes; the contest is open to the entire community. Any 2D media – including painting, drawing, photography, and mixed media – is acceptable.

The winner will receive: a \$100 Cash prize from the Youth Garden Project, receive prominent recognition on the poster posted all around town and sold at the Farmers' Market, fees waived as a vendor at the 2010 Farmers' Market and a free membership to the MARC.

### Rules:

1. Each person can submit up to 3 pieces of artwork
2. Artwork must be submitted to the MARC by March 5, 2010
3. Artwork needs to be at least 8 1/2" X 11"
4. All artwork must be ready to display. Wire is the preferred method. Wiring must be in good condition and substantial enough for the weight of the art work.
5. All art will be on display at the March 13 Artwalk – at least 1 piece from each artist will remain on display through March 26. Art will need to be picked up no later than April 2.

Judging: All entries will be displayed at the MARC during the March 13 Artwalk, where the public can vote for their favorite. The Market Manager will announce the winner by March 15, 2010.

Questions? Call the MARC at 259-6272, or call the Youth Garden Project 259-2326 or Farmers' Market Manager, Gayle Weyher 259-0242.

# MOAB CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

For a community to prosper and grow, its residents have to be **INVOLVED**. If you would like to participate in any club or organization **PLEASE CALL THEM**. Many of these groups are always looking for a helping hand or two.

AARP, Chapter 1539 .....	259-6396	Moab Country Club (Rob Jones).....	259-6488
Alcoholics Anonymous/Alanon .....	259-7556	Moab Duplicate Bridge Club (Gail Darcey) .....	259-1733
Alpha Rho Sorority (Bobbie Long).....	259-6758	Moab Friends For Wheelin' (Jeff Stevens) .....	259-6119
American Legion Post (Bill Smith).....	259-3470	Moab Half Marathon (Ranna Bieschke).....	259-4525
Arches Adult Education (Trish Hedin) .....	259-2293	Moab Horse Racing Association (Chuck Henderson) .....	259-4111
Arches New Hope Pregnancy Center (Debbie Nelson) .....	259-LIFE (5433)	Moab Horse Show Association (Tosha Audenried).....	260-9252
BEACON (Stephanie Dahlstrom) .....	260-1143	Moab Lodging Association (Britnie Ellis).....	259-6171
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# HIKING HAPPENINGS

## Mill Creek Parkway—What a Winter!

by Marcy Hafner

With so much snow and so much ice this winter where could a hiker possibly go? My solution to this dilemma has been the Mill Creek Parkway, which had been transformed into a whimsical winter wonderland of pure white snow: a wonderland where Mill Creek displayed her rare lovely face of smoothly sculpted crystal as she gurgled and flowed underneath thick layers of ice. Since the pathway was plowed, I didn't have to stomp through inches of snow. Instead I could relax and enjoy an easy stroll with my feet firmly in place on dry pavement – ah the freedom of finally shedding my heavy gore-tex boots!

The birthplace of Mill Creek is above Warner Lake in the La Sal Mountains, and from its high elevation origins it crashes down through Mill Creek Canyon to the very edge of town where it continues through the heart of Moab. Shortly thereafter her journey ends at the Colorado River.

On June 4, 1999, the Mill Creek Parkway was dedicated as a three-mile recreational path way designed for non-motorized travel not far from the busy streets of town. Being able to access it at many different points, it can be handy for a quick stroll, jog or bicycle ride, eliminating the hassle of a winter drive while saving money on gas.

Since August 2004 the Mill Creek Friends of the Parkway have periodically removed trash from the path and creek and the recyclables are taken to Canyonlands Community Recycling Center. The Solutions, a volunteer group that emphasizes a "Respect, Rethink, Reduce, Reuse and Recycle" lifestyle, coordinates the program in partnership with the city of Moab.

The trail begins at Rotary Park, which is crammed full of kid-oriented activities. On a sunny day the air rings with the laughter of young ones playing on the swings, sliding boards and jungle gyms. They, and even the adults, can't resist creating their own symphonies on the giant xylophones known as "free notes." When that happens, haunting musical tones boom across the park.

To get to Rotary Park, turn east off Main Street on to Center Street (at the Moab Information Center.) Follow Center Street to 400 East and take a right. Continue on 400 East for five blocks and go left at Dave's Corner Market on to Mill Creek Drive. Parking for Rotary Park is on the right hand side across from the Red Rock Elementary School.

The bare branches of cottonwoods, hackberry, silver leaf poplars and catalpas along the path cast their barren image against a solemn blue sky as I leave the park. The striking plumage of a red-shafted flicker glistens in the sun as this woodpecker flies in an undulating rise-and-fall pattern from tree to tree. Listening to the chatter of magpies, ravens, crows and chickadees I almost forget how close I am to downtown.

It's easier to observe the birds this time of year because the absence of foliage allows for better viewing, especially all those little guys who can no longer conceal themselves behind the thickness of leaves. The most abundant ground-feeding birds are the dark-eyed juncos, some masked with dark hoods. At any sudden movement these skittish sparrow-sized gray birds flit away with a flash of their outer white tail feathers to the safety of the brush. I like to think of them as our avian "snowbirds" that have retreated from a harsh winter elsewhere to a milder one in southeast Utah.

I pause to admire the colorful murals on the Youth Garden buildings located just beyond the imaginatively

Painted 400 East underpass. Within its two acres next to the high school, a wide variety of produce is organically grown and sold at the Farmer's Market and local restaurants. Originally started in 1997 by the Juvenile Court system as a program for court-ordered community service, it has since expanded to become an outdoor educational program that offers lessons in science, garden-to-the table classes for elementary and middle school ages, a summer day camp and field trips. In 2007 twelve high school students built The Nibble Garden as part of their garden-science/natural resource management class, and during the growing season the public is invited to stop and nibble.

Adjacent to the Youth Garden is the historic Shafer House. Built in 1884 as the oldest home standing in Moab, it is officially listed in the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service. The original owner, John Henry Shafer, organized the local

government of Moab and served as a Grand County Commissioner. In the early 1890's he was named a school board trustee and became instrumental in getting the first schoolhouse started by lending the funds interest free. His obituary referred to him as "the Father of the Grand County school system." The final owner was Richard Le Roy Holyoak. He and his wife Sarah lived on the property for thirty years and it became known as the

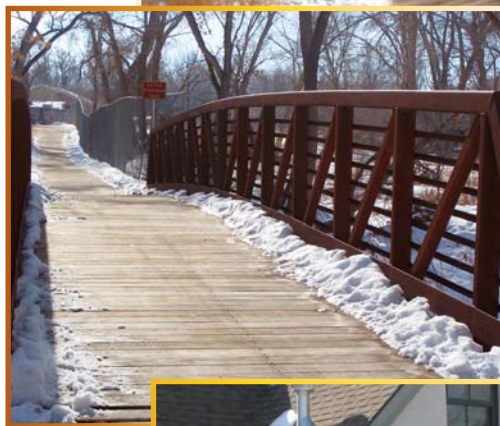
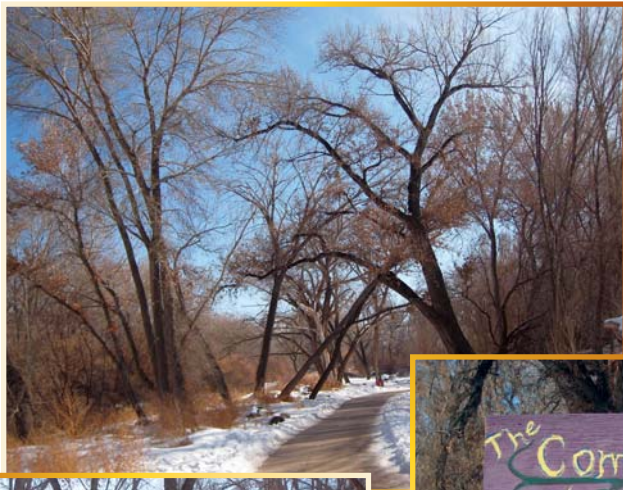
Holyoak Farmstead.

The Dan O'Laurie Museum has created an outdoor collection of antique mining and farming equipment along the parkway including the "early one-man mucker load haul dump," a trackless diesel powered machine that was used up to the middle of the 20th century. A scrubber cleaned the exhaust gases and cooled any flames so it could be used underground without risk of igniting methane gas. The small shovel in the front mechanically loaded broken rock into the larger bucket. Then the operator drove it to an ore-pass where the full bucket was dumped.

Walking over the bridge just past Main Street, a short spur to the left leads to the Hospice Garden Memorial where the names of loved ones, who have died under Hospice Care, are carved on a white stone plaque. Continuing to the right the pathway now changes to dirt and the vegetation becomes a mixture of cottonwoods, tamarisk and Russian olive. This far down the trail where a small footbridge crosses the creek, the crowd has dwindled and the thick brush cuts out most signs of city life.

The final segment of the parkway is dedicated to Alvie Eugene and Ada Elizabeth Holyoak who in 1933 bought some land along Mill Creek – an 1887 homestead from the Wilson brothers. As cattle ranchers, the Holyoaks lived here until Alvie's death in 1964. In the fall of 2002 the city bought 3.3 acres from their daughter Colleen and her husband D.L. Taylor, an acquisition that enabled the city to install the 500 west underpass so the parkway network could be extended.

The Mill Creek Parkway is a pleasant all season getaway that is so close to civilization and yet feels like an in-town country walk, which in the dead of winter can rescue you from a bad case of cabin fever. The promise of spring brings out the rollicking voices of birds and the fresh greenness of new growth. In the summer it is a delightful respite from the heat, which is followed by the golden glitter of the autumn foliage encouraging you to take a nostalgic fall walk.



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Tucked away upstairs is the Ghost Bar. A contemporary lounge you will find most comfortable while waiting for your table to dine or to simply unwind with your favorite cocktail.

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# PET HAPPENINGS

## A Day at the Groomer

by Lisa Lawrence of the Holistic Pet Grooming Studio

Many pet owners think that when they take their pet to the groomer that they are taking them to enjoy a day of pampering at the spa. However the reality is often very different. The best way to understand what your pets experience at the groomer is to look at it from their perspective...

Sparky sees you grab the leash, and in their mind this means a walk or a ride and these are GOOD things and then you walk them into a building that has some suspicious smells. You give Sparky kisses and hand him over to a complete stranger!! Sparky has no idea who this person is but she seems nice. Then she puts Sparky in a crate.

The only other strange place this occurs is at the vet office and let's face it, nothing fun happens at the vet's office. Now Sparky is without his owner in a strange place with a strange person. This stranger then gets Sparky to come out of the crate and is picked up and washed. After the bath, back in the crate and a large piece of equipment is placed in front of the crate that emits warm air very loudly. This can be quite alarming! Once Sparky realizes this won't hurt him, he just learns to deal with the annoyance.



After he's dry Sparky is then picked up and placed on a grooming table. Another small hair dryer is often used to dry those hard to reach places...also very loud. If clippers

are used on Sparky they most likely will be used around Sparky's "personal parts" and that can be unnerving as well. A few hours of washing, brushing and trimming can be a daunting task for any dog to sit through and Sparky is no exception.

After all this, the person picks up Sparky's feet and his nails are trimmed. Sparky remembers one time his nails were trimmed too close which really hurt, he is so scared it will happen again and no matter how soothing the groomer's voice is, he doesn't trust it. Finally finished, the groomer takes him for a short walk and he waits for his owner. Sparky is so relieved when his mom shows up. He was worried she'd never come back.

The above story is a generalization about what a pet experiences at the groomer. Some pets love the groomer and are very happy-go-lucky and just go with the flow. Being an animal behaviorist I often run into animals with behavioral problems ranging from mild fear to outright aggression. Hog tying an animal to just "get the job done" is just not acceptable to me. Instead I try to work with each animal to help them overcome their fears and help them understand that biting the groomer is simply unacceptable. This all takes time, and an animal that may be scheduled for a 3 hour grooming now becomes more time consuming. Not only does this delay that particular animal's appointment time but it pushes back everyone's completion time as well.

The scenario also demonstrates that time and patience must be the key ingredients in a groomer. A groomer's relationship with your animal is one of the most intimate because she goes over every inch of that animal. She can often spot trouble with your animal's health just because she sees every nook and cranny. So when you drop your animal off to the groomers, please keep in mind that there could be delays for a myriad of reasons. Days where your schedule is flexible are much easier for you, your groomer and your best friend to have the best experience possible!

## Feline Nutrition

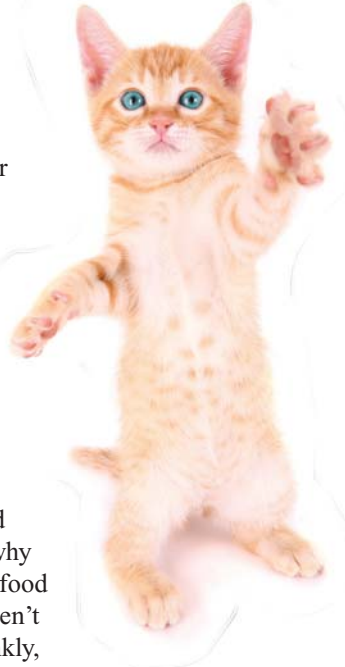
### – The Basics

by Jessica Turquette of the Moab BARKery

We love both dogs and cats here at the BARKery, and we know they are as different as night and day when it comes to nutrition! First and foremost Cats are Carnivores, Dogs are Ominvores. That means cats benefit nutritionally from animal based foods, where dogs can eat both animals and vegetables in their diet. A cat's diet in nature consists of rodents and birds, both packed with all the nutrition, moisture and fiber they need, but many of the commercially produced cat foods available fail to meet those requirements! They fail by using grain-based fillers like corn, wheat, soy, starch and products high in fiber to make your kitty feel full, but not give them the good stuff they need. So what do they need? Foods high in meat content, so the first few ingredients should be animal based. If it's not animal based on the first ingredient pass on that food!

Cats come from desert based ancestors (which means animals were available, plants were not). They also lack the salivary and digestive enzymes needed to convert carbohydrates (grains) to energy. Therefore foods heavy in grain aren't useful and do not digest properly.

Because of their desert ancestry cats don't usually drink a lot of water, instead they rely on their food for moisture. Feeding dry food means water must be available, but incorporating wet food into their diet is better because cats don't naturally feel thirsty when they are dehydrated. Many people choose to feed only wet food to ensure kidney health, but remember to clean their teeth to avoid periodontal disease. So why do many commercially food use ingredients that aren't beneficial? Well frankly, plant based protein is cheaper than animal protein, so they make more money that way. Choosing a grain free food can ensure your cat gets the protein and fat they need. Going grain-free is the most important nutritional thing you can do for your cat. Want more information, come into the Barkery and we will be happy to provide more information.



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## Humane Society of Moab Valley March Events

### March 6 & 20 Cat & Kitten Adoptions

11am-1pm at the Moab BARKery. All colors & personalities: grey, grey & white, black & white, white and tuxedo. Pictures & info in Ad-vertiser and [www.moabpets.org](http://www.moabpets.org). Call 259-4862 for meet & greet if you can't come by the adoption.

### March 13 & 27 Dog & Puppy Adoptions

11am-1pm at City Market...providing the weather is not too cold. We have some awesome dogs waiting for their forever homes, including some great labs and a sweet pit bull terrier. Come meet your new best friend!. Pictures & info in Ad-vertiser and [www.moabpets.org](http://www.moabpets.org). Call 259-4862 for meet & greet if you can't come by the adoption.

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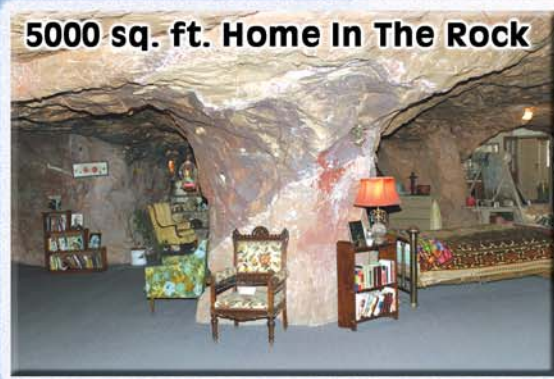
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7:00		<b>KZMU OVERNIGHT</b>		Art of the Song		<b>KZMU OVERNIGHT</b>		7:00	
8:00	Native Spirit	<b>DEMOCRACY NOW</b>						Desert Diva	8:00
9:00		<b>MOAB Morning Blend</b>						Shine Time (Children)	9:00
10:00	Jah Morning Reggae	Moab Mamas (everything)	Classical Collusion	Tilted Park (acoustic/folk/pop)	Belle Jar/ Rainbow Plumage	Blue Plate Special (blues/rock)	Trailer Park Companion / Wayward Wind	10:00	
11:00						The Trading Post (call-in Buy/Sell)		11:00	
Noon	Grass is Greener (Bluegrass)	It's My Party/ Merry Pranksters	radio mmm... (can't define it)	Horizon Line	Random Toonage		Ain't Live Grand? (live recordings)	Noon	
1:00						1-2-3 (funky world soul)		1:00	
2:00	Plateau Pastime/ Canyon Wren Express	Radio Mundial Radio MOONDial	Planet Picante (latin)	Odd Bins	Red Rock 'n Blues/ Red Rockn' Reggae		Belagaana Review (fruit and nuts)	2:00	
3:00			<b>WORLD MUSIC</b>			Fire on the Mountain	Tween Time (pre-teen fun)	3:00	
4:00		New Dimensions	The Observatory/ Sound Thing	Gaelic Circle/ Drive Time	MOAB Drive Time			4:00	
5:00	West of Broadway/ Concert in the Park	This Week in Moab (Interviews / Calendar)				Free Speech Friday Public Access	Big River / Ranch Exit (twang)	5:00	
6:00		<b>DEMOCRACY NOW</b>						6:00	
7:00	Kokopelli Coffeehouse	Big Swing Face (big band jazz)	Moab City Council/ Atomic Lounge	Thin Edge (jazz)	Rock Garden (rock)	Heaven Lounge The Rainbow Room	Main Street Cruise	7:00	
8:00								8:00	
9:00								9:00	
10:00	New Dimensions	The Sound Lair (Experimental Dance)	<b>MOAB</b> Conscious Party	<b>After</b> Suburban Urge	<b>Hours</b> Teenage Wasteland	Altered State	Radio Free Moab (college rock)	10:00	
11:00								11:00	
12:00	Seti TranceMissions/ Listening Essentials	<b>KZMU OVERNIGHT</b>			the eleventh hour	Rhythm Quest (techno rhythm)	NewClear Ned (classic rock)	12:00	

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