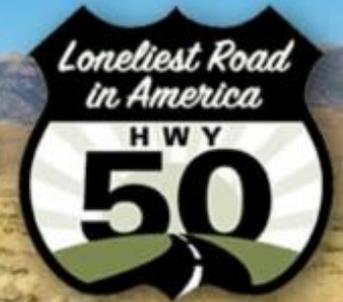


# NEWS FROM THE Loneliest Road in America



Pony Express Territory Newsletter

Late Summer 2018

## Travel Nevada's Highway 50 to Late Summer Events!

There's still a lot happening along  
America's Loneliest Road

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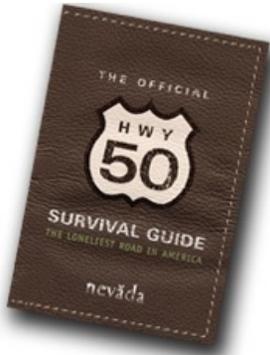
## 10th Annual Snake Valley Water Festival

Friday, August 31, to Monday, September 3



ALL Proceeds from the Festival go to the Great Basin Water Network

## Request a Highway 50 Loneliest Road Survival Guide!



In July 1986, Life magazine described Nevada's Highway 50 from Ely to Fernley as the "Loneliest Road in America." Life said there were no attractions or points of interest along the 287-mile stretch of road and recommended that drivers have "survival skills" to travel the route.

The Highway 50 Survival Guide is a challenge to travelers to learn for themselves about America's Loneliest Road. Take the trip across Nevada's heartland, stop in any five of the seven largest towns (Austin, Dayton, Eureka, Ely, Fallon, Fernley, and Baker) to get your Official Highway 50 Survival Guide validated and discover it for yourself.

[CLICK HERE](#)

Friends and supporters of Snake Valley will gather in Baker, Nevada during Labor Day Weekend for the tenth annual Snake Valley Festival to celebrate and raise funds in support of community preservation. All are invited to join in. All proceeds from the festival events will benefit the Great Basin Water Network ([www.greatbasinwater.net](http://www.greatbasinwater.net)) to help protect the water and environment in eastern Nevada and the west desert of Utah.

"The Festival helps Great Basin Water Network to keep water in Snake Valley," said Abby Johnson of the Great Basin Water Network. "It's a fun way to raise awareness and money at the same time."

An ice cream social at Baker Hall will kick off events Friday night. Saturday includes a host of activities promising something for everyone. The day will begin with breakfast at Kerouac's Café in downtown Baker. The town parade, with a water theme, will start at 10 am and complete its circuit twice, lest any spectators blink and miss it. The day will continue with a community yard sale, food and craft booths, a book sale, a silent auction, bake sale, live music, kids' games, and a massive water fight. The day will culminate with a beer tasting party at the Whispering Elms. All of the brews featured at the beer tasting are brewed with water from the Great Basin. Alongside the beer tasting, enjoy a silent auction (from 7-9 pm) with "premier" items.

Sunday morning, join us for the Snake Valley Slither; a trail 5K/10K run or walk. Then treat yourself to a breakfast buffet at the Border Inn. The day will end with a BBQ dinner and dance; both also at the Border Inn.

Monday, the festivities officially end with the local Farmer's Market from 9 - noon.

The Snake Valley Festival has something for everyone. Come out and experience a parade that welcomes anyone to become part of it, join the water fight at the playground, browse the silent auction, and enjoy some of the great food. Peer through the solar telescope to observe the sun or join the evening astronomy program at Great Basin National Park.

**For more information and a list of events, go to [www.protectsnakevalley.org](http://www.protectsnakevalley.org) or e-mail [SnakeValleyFestival@gmail.com](mailto:SnakeValleyFestival@gmail.com)**

**or, visit the Nevada Northern Railway Facebook page at [facebook.com/Snake-Valley-Festival](https://facebook.com/Snake-Valley-Festival)**

**For more information on the Southern Nevada Water Authority pipeline project, please visit [www.greatbasinwater.net](http://www.greatbasinwater.net).**

## Labor Day Weekend Calls for a "Local Road Trip" Adventure Friday, August 31, to Monday, September 3





Nevada Northern Railway Museum offers four days of activities and steam-powered demonstrations

## Share News from the Loneliest Road with family and friends!

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This Labor Day weekend marks the ideal time to satisfy your family's summertime thirst for exploration, adventure and entertainment from one of Nevada's most awe-inspiring historical landmarks, the Nevada Northern Railway Museum.

The railway invites families to do away with old vacation itineraries and opt for a new and exciting experience by embarking on a local road trip to Ely, Nev. Guests are ushered back to a moment frozen in time as they enter the museum grounds, originally constructed in 1910 06.

"The rural Nevada landscape is unique, historic and beautiful. The scenery transports its visitors to another time, when the Wild West was in its heyday," said Nevada Northern Railway president Mark Bassett. "There is so much to see and learn about just on the drive to Ely itself, and once our guests and families arrive the fun really begins, as activities and entertainment are scheduled all weekend long, including multiple steam-powered machinery demonstrations."

During this rare event, the century-old, fully operational steam-powered locomotives will be teamed together to haul the passengers trains on Saturday and Sunday. This is a very rare event called double-heading in railroad parlance. Additionally the only steam-powered crane in the country will be demonstrated in operation, giving visitors a firsthand look at historic American ingenuity.

Among the other activities available, speeder rides will be available throughout the weekend for rides on the small railcar, historically used for facilitating track maintenance. Guided and self-guided walking museum tours are also scheduled daily throughout the weekend.

History buffs, geology enthusiasts, explorers, and fans of small-town charm and nature's bounty owe it to themselves to experience the "Loneliest Road in America." Originally given the moniker in 1986 by Life Magazine for its barren beauty, U.S. Highway 50 wasn't recommended for anyone to visit unless they were prepared with survival skills.

Now, passengers on U.S. 50 journey parallel to the old Pony Express Trail, passing remains from Pony Express stations. The seemingly untouched land offers ghost town sites, historic cemeteries, active wildlife and trails for hiking and biking during the summer as well as snowmobiling and skiing in the winter.

From conquering the Loneliest Road in America to stepping back in time at a fully-operational, century-old steam powered railway, this Labor Day weekend is the perfect time to soak up every last ounce of American adventure and relaxation the summer has to offer.

Visitors to the Nevada Northern Railway should also plan on visiting Great Basin National Park as part of their Labor Day travels. Located only an hour away from the railroad further along the

Loneliest Road the park offers Lehmann Caves, an astronomy program and the highest road in Nevada at over 10,000 feet.

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

or, visit the Nevada Northern Railway Facebook page at [Facebook.com/NNRY1](https://www.facebook.com/NNRY1).

## Fallon Lions Club Hosts Junior Rodeo at the Churchill County Fairgrounds

Friday, August 31 to Monday, September 3



Fallon's young cowboys and cowgirls are highlighted at the Junior Rodeo.

The first Fallon Lions Club Stampede and 49er's day was held in the late 1940's and has continued un-interrupted ever since. The first events included festival type events, semi-pro rodeo, auto racing, country western music, parade, and several other events. Several organizations were involved as vendors including the Kiwanis, Eagles, VFW, National Guard, Boy Scouts and others. When

Churchill County built the present fairgrounds the design was influenced and construction was partially funded by donations from the Lions Club and the local Rodeo Associations. The Dry Gulch is a direct holdover from the original Dry Gulch and the old fairgrounds.

As the ability to support a semi-pro rodeo on Labor Day weekend changed, the Junior Rodeo Association partnered with the Lions Club and the current relationship has existed every since. The Fallon Lions Club Junior Rodeo and Fair will be held at the Churchill County Fairgrounds

Entrance to the Rodeo and Fair is FREE.

For more information and a list of events, visit [FallonLionsClubJuniorRodeo.com](http://FallonLionsClubJuniorRodeo.com).

or, visit the Fallon Lions Club Junior Rodeo Facebook page at [Facebook.com/pg/Fallon-Lions-Club-Junior-Rodeo](https://www.facebook.com/pg/Fallon-Lions-Club-Junior-Rodeo).

## Austin's Prospectors Dream Wine Walk is Always a Favorite Event

Saturday, September 8th



The Prospectors Dream Wine Walk remains a popular event in Austin

Yes, everyone has a lot of fun at this event! Plan a trip to Austin on September 8th for our annual Prospectors Dream Wine Walk. This is truly a unique experience where wine lovers can enjoy both a sip of wine and a taste of the town. The walk begins at 2:00 PM at the Austin Museum and continues to several locations along the historic Main Street. A hay wagon will pick everyone up at 5:00 pm to take them to Stokes Castle for a sunset dinner. Following dinner, there'll be a toast with special souvenir wine glasses, then the ride back to town. Advance tickets are \$25, and day of the event tickets are \$30. It's time to take a taste of Austin! Sponsored by The Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce. For more information, call The Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce at **775-964-2200**.

Visit [austinnevada.com](http://austinnevada.com) or the Austin Facebook page at [Facebook.com/Austin-Nevada](https://www.facebook.com/Austin-Nevada).

# Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce Hosts its 25th Annual Golf Event

Friday, September 28th



Signups are now underway for the 25th annual Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce Golf Event

The Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce Golf Event begins at 11 a.m. with a shotgun start. It is a scramble format with 4-person teams. There will be raffle prizes, auction items, mulligans and golf tape. There will also be a cash prize for the longest drive for men and women, closest to the hole for men and women and a hole-in-one contest sponsored by Carson City Toyota and Capital Ford. The event is \$100 per player and includes a continental breakfast, 18 holes of golf and cart, a VIP drink badge, and a barbecue lunch. There are sponsored teams and non-sponsored teams. A sponsored 4-person team is \$500. There will be first place trophies for winners.

**For information, call John Cassinelli at (775) 246-7909.**

To download a flier, [CLICK HERE](#).

Also visit [DaytonAreaChamberOfCommerce.com](http://DaytonAreaChamberOfCommerce.com) or the Dayton Facebook page at [Facebook.com/DaytonNVChamberOfCommerce](https://Facebook.com/DaytonNVChamberOfCommerce).

For more information about what to see and do along Nevada's Highway 50, visit

[loneliestroad.us](http://loneliestroad.us)

