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Charter schools offer a lot of benefits

It's August, which means it's time for my annual "Watch Out for School Zones" column.

It's funny because I've never actually received a ticket for speeding in a school zone, but I know a few people who have. So, I feel it's my civic duty to offer this annual reminder.

This month, however, I want to focus on why we have to slow down to a crawl within a certain distance of a school: there are now going to be kids there.

In this issue, I wrote about the Worthen family, who have sent all of their children to a local charter school,



Somerset Academy Skye Pointe. While there is a K-8 Somerset campus in Skye Canyon, the Skye Pointe campus serves students from kindergarten through high school.

This story hits a little close to home for me because my daughter attended a charter school when we lived in Arizona. When we moved back to Las Vegas, we were fortunate enough to get her into Southwest Career and Technical Academy, a magnet high school operated by the Clark County School District.

There are many benefits to schools like these, one of the biggest being their smaller student populations compared with traditional public schools. They also often offer specialized missions and require a higher level of parental involvement.

Another article in this issue, about a rollover accident near the community, originated from a Facebook post in the Skye Canyon-Providence Neighbor-

hood Preservation Association group.

Nathan Taylor, one of the group's administrators, posted about an accident at a four-way stop. That information alone is valuable for Skye Canyon residents, but what made the story even more noteworthy was a comment from City Councilwoman Nancy Brune. In her response, she shared that the city is installing a new type of flashing stop sign at the intersection.

As a result, the post provided more than just a traffic update—it also offered a meaningful piece of local news.

For those of you on Facebook, I recommend joining the group. Not only can you find useful community updates, but members regularly post information about upcoming events and other public service announcements.

As an added bonus, I also post the entire issue of this publication on the page.

—Kirk Kern

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Three sisters, one school: Ready for another year

By Kirk Kern

For one northwest Las Vegas family, choosing a school wasn't just about academics—it was about finding a community where all four daughters could learn, grow and thrive together.

All four of the Worthen family's daughters have attended or are currently enrolled at Somerset Academy Skye Pointe, a tuition-free public charter school serving students in kindergarten through 12th grade.

Today, three sisters remain on campus together: Peyton, 17, a senior; Miyah, 15, a sophomore; and Shay, 11, who is entering sixth grade. All three have attended the school since kindergarten.

When asked why they chose the charter school route over a traditional public school, the answer was simple.

"We liked the idea of a smaller school with significant parent involvement," father Chad Worthen said. "For the first few years, family service hours were required as part of the child's continued enrollment.

"Although that requirement has changed, parents continue to participate regularly with the school."

Originally, the family selected Somerset because it was close to home. Over the years, however, another benefit became just as important.

"Our girls really liked that it offered K-12 all on the same campus."

Along with the Skye Pointe campus, there is a sister school in Skye Canyon that offers kindergarten through eighth grade.

Having children of different ages attend one school has also made family life easier.

"Once you have a teenager that can drive, it's nice for them to be able to pick up your younger kids," Chad said. "Plus, activities are usually on the same campus, so you can participate in every-

thing without racing across town."

The family believes Somerset's smaller enrollment allows teachers to build stronger relationships with students while maintaining high academic expectations.

"They push the students to a higher standard," Chad said. "The smaller size allows teachers to really get to know their students and families."

Beyond the classroom, each sister has found opportunities to get involved.

Peyton's favorite subject is history because she enjoys learning how people lived and how events shaped the world. She is active on the varsity dance team, serves as student body secretary, and participates in Student Council (STUCO) and the National Honor Society.

Miyah's favorite class is art with Ms. Follmer. She is also involved in Student Council and the National Honor Society.

Shay enjoys science, especially hands-on experiments. She has participated in the school's G.A.T.E. program and previously served in Junior Lighthouse during elementary school.

The family also credits Somerset with encouraging students to give back to their community. Among the girls' favorite memories are participating in Battle of the Books and running activity booths during the school's annual Fall Festival.

High school students are also expected to complete 100 hours of community service before graduation, reinforcing the school's emphasis on leadership and service.

BACK TO SCHOOL

Both Somerset Academy Skye Pointe and Skye Canyon will welcome students back for the 2026-27 school year on Aug. 10. Families are encouraged to check the schools' website for the complete academic calendar and back-to-school information.



Three Worthen daughters, from left, Miyah (15), Payton (17) and Shay (11) are getting ready to start the school year at Somerset Academy Skye Pointe in August. The three daughters have all been at the school since kindergarten. (Photo by Ben Robertson/Silver Tree Films.)

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Residents raise traffic safety concerns after rollover crash

By Kirk Kern

A recent rollover crash at a four-way stop intersection near Skye Canyon has renewed concerns among residents about traffic safety in the growing northwest Las Vegas community.

The accident, which occurred in early July at the intersection heading north toward Skye Canyon, drew attention on social media after residents shared photos showing one of the vehicles overturned on its side.

The crash sparked a broader discussion among community members about speeding, distracted driving, and other traffic violations that many believe are making local roads increasingly dangerous.

One resident, who said he and his wife were involved in a serious crash last month at Sheep Mountain Road and Iron Mountain Road, described ongoing safety concerns in the area.

“The speeding, not paying attention, racing, kids on e-bikes, among many other serious traffic violations, has made our community unsafe,” the resident wrote in a Facebook post. “This is really sad and scary. The Skye Canyon and Providence communities are referred to as walkable communities. Imagine the danger our residents are now subjected to on a daily basis.”

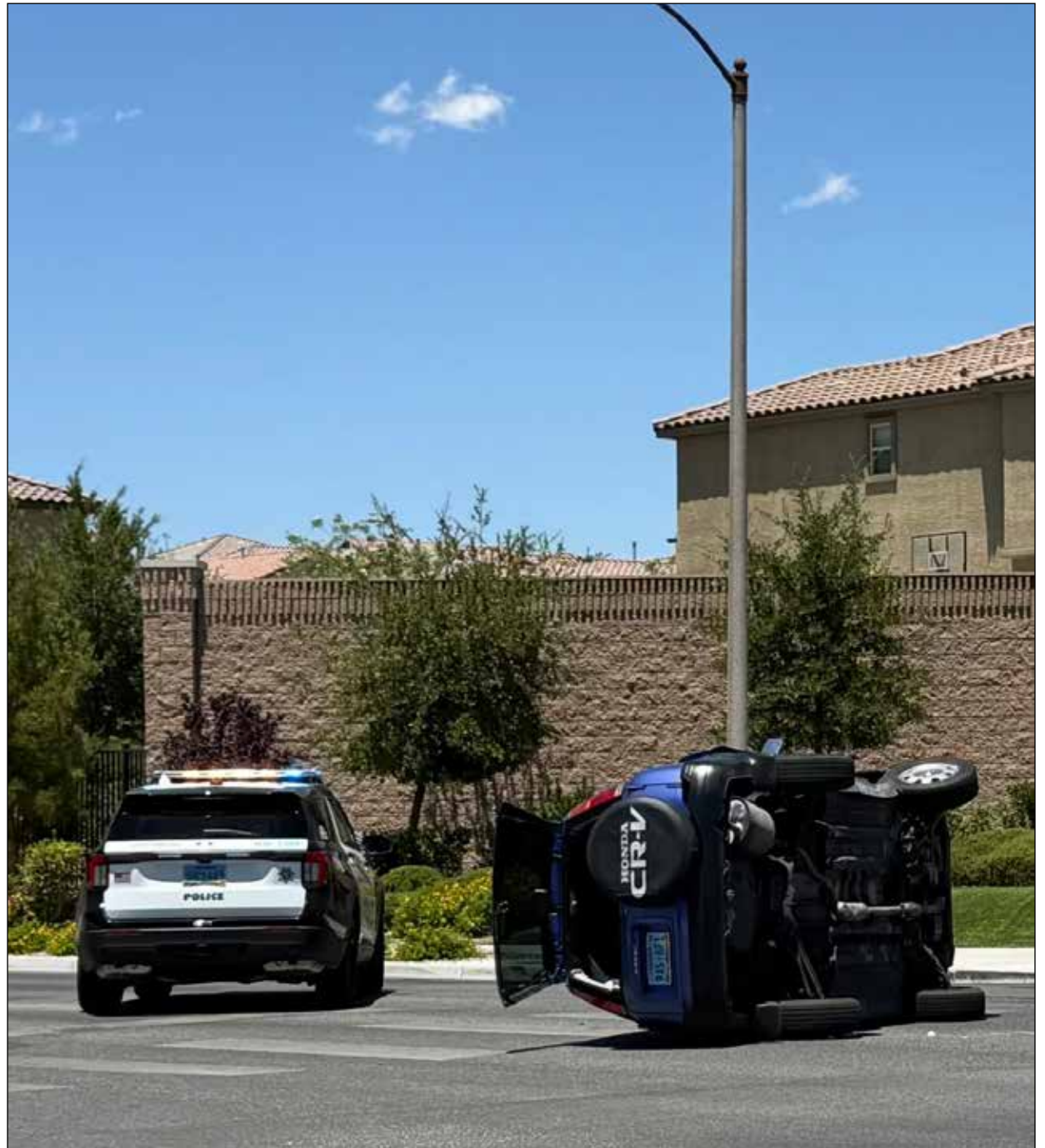
The resident said another driver allegedly ran a stop sign while speeding, resulting in a collision that occurred at approximately 40 mph.

In response to the concerns, Las Vegas City Councilwoman Nancy Brune said the city is already taking steps to improve safety at the intersection where the recent rollover crash occurred.

“I asked the city about this intersection today and this was their response,” Brune wrote on Facebook. “This location will serve as one of the city’s first pilot sites for our new four-way flashing stop signs, BlinkerSign. I’ll let everyone know when they are going to be installed.”

Brune also noted that the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department has increased traffic enforcement efforts in the northwest valley.

“Metro is really ramping up traffic enforcement in our area,” Brune said. “We have great leadership at



A rollover accident near Skye Canyon has prompted the Las Vegas Metropolitan police department to ramp up police enforcement efforts in the northwest valley, along with installing a flashing stop signs at this intersection. (Nathan Taylor photo via Facebook)

our Northwest Area Command and this is clearly one of their top priorities. The new substation will only help these efforts.”

The announcement was welcomed by many residents who have voiced concerns about traffic conditions as the northwest valley continues to grow.

Community members have frequently cited speeding, red-light and stop-sign violations, and increased traffic volumes as key

safety issues in the area.

While details about the recent crash have not been released, the incident has become a reminder for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians to remain vigilant on local roads as city officials work to implement new safety measures.

Residents are encouraged to obey posted speed limits, remain attentive behind the wheel and exercise caution at intersections throughout the community.

Every child deserves to be seen as school year begins

By Kimberly McGee

As another school year begins, one thing has become increasingly clear: there is no single "right" way to educate a child.



One of the biggest takeaways from producing this issue was how many parents told us they simply didn't know where to begin.

Education decisions can feel overwhelming. Whether your child is struggling, soaring, has unique learning needs, or simply learns differently than expected, it helps to know you're not navigating those choices alone. Southern Nevada is filled with educators, support groups, nonprofits, tutors, therapists, enrichment programs, and families willing to share what they've learned.

Sometimes all we need is someone to say, "We've been there."

Our July Back-to-School issue of Vegas Family Insider had stories of local families who have chosen very different educational paths. Some attend neighborhood public schools. Others thrive in charter schools, private schools, homeschool programs,

microschools, dual enrollment, or hybrid learning environments. Every family arrived at their decision differently, often after asking difficult questions, facing uncertainty, and trying to determine what was best for their unique child.

That's one of the reasons we do what we do - connect families with opportunities, resources, and people who help children discover who they are and who they can become.

That mission continues in our August issue with 18 Under 18.

The award recognizes young people across Southern Nevada who are making a difference in our community. It's also an opportunity for our community to say we see you. They're showing kindness, leadership, creativity, perseverance, entrepreneurship, service, or courage. Some volunteer between school and work. Some excel in sports or the arts. Some have started businesses or nonprofits. Others simply make their schools and neighborhoods better places because of the way they treat people.

Every issue of Vegas Family Insider, we share stories of incredible young people doing extraordinary things, often without much recognition.

Children don't need constant praise, but they do need to know that what

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The new Skye Canyon elementary school got several shovelfuls closer to completion after the ceremonial groundbreaking in June. (Clark County School District photo)

Name sought for new school coming to Skye Canyon

A year from now, Skye Canyon will have a new 53-classroom elementary school. What it will be called is an open question.

Dignitaries and some cute kids grabbed shiny shovels and donned hard hats at a June 22 ceremonial groundbreaking for the new campus at Skye Canyon Park Drive and Shaumber Road. The school, funded as part of the Clark County School District's 2015 Capital Improvement Program, is designed to serve up to 850 students when it opens for the 2027 school year.

And while the skilled hands of Martin-Harris Construction build the school, the district will be deciding what it will be called — and members of the community are en-

couraged to be part of the process.

Nominations for the school name are being accepted through Aug. 17 by completing an online form with a url too long to repeat here. If interested or for more information, email SNC@nv.ccsd.net or do a Google search for "CCSD: New Skye Canyon School Name Application"

"We welcome nominations from all members of the community," said Tameka Henry, CCSD Board of School Trustees member and School Name Committee Chair.

Under CCSD's school-naming rules, nominees generally fall into two lanes: former district educators or trustees whose leadership helped shape education in Clark County, or figures from outside education who served as strong role models, advanced education or improved the community.

The names of previously closed schools are automatically considered, with school namesakes Dell H. Robison and Ruth Fyfe already

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DOUG PUPPEL
NEON DIARY

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they contribute matters.

When a community notices its young people, it can be very powerful. Kids begin to see possibilities for themselves. Other children are inspired to step forward. Parents feel encouraged. Teachers, coaches, and mentors are reminded that their investment is making a difference.

Recognition isn't the finish line. It's often the spark that gives a young person confidence to keep going.

For the past several years, we've had the privilege of telling those stories through our Jr. Journalists program, our Mighty Moguls youth entrepreneur initiative, community events, and the pages of our monthly magazine. We've watched shy children find their voices through interviews. We've watched young entrepreneurs gain confidence after selling their first product and go on to create new products and sell out. We've watched teenagers realize that their stories, and their ideas, have value.

Talent exists in every neighborhood. Opportunity doesn't always.

Our hope is to help bridge that gap by introducing kids to local leaders, giving them meaningful experiences, celebrating their accomplishments, and connecting families with resources they may not have known existed.

When a community invests in its children, everyone benefits.

As we head into another school year, I hope we continue asking not only how our children are doing in school, but also who they're becoming.

Those are the stories worth telling. If you have a child interested in writing, creating or expanding their entrepreneurial ambitions, reach out. We are ready to hear their story.

Kimberley McGee is publisher and founder of Vegas Family Insider. Join her as an empowerment partner and help create opportunities that inspire, educate, and uplift kids and families in our community.



Neon

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nominated.

The finalists will be considered by the School Name Committee before being submitted to the full school board for approval.

SEEING THE LIGHT: Las Vegas Councilwoman Nancy Brune tapped the brakes on some spirited social media traffic about cameras being installed for a city stoplight safety pilot.

A post in a Skye Canyon Facebook group raised concerns that stoplight images would be collected by Flock Safety, the AI-powered license plate reader network that has drawn privacy concerns. Brune answered with an all-caps clarification: "We are NOT using Flock cameras for this pilot."

City officials say the one-year test,

which uses Ludian technology, will collect traffic-safety data at 12 Las Vegas locations.

The system will track speeding, red-light running and vehicle classifications to help engineers consider future safety improvements. The city says it will not collect video, license plate numbers, driver/passenger images, use facial recognition, or issue citations.

The city council approved the program this spring in response to serious and fatal crashes.

The test locations closest to Skye Canyon are Centennial Parkway and Michelli Crest Way, Bradley Road from Ann Road to Tropical Parkway, and Decatur Boulevard and Ann Road.

Doug Puppel is a writer, model, and longtime Las Vegas defensive driver.

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Back to School is coming fast!

By Courtney Singer

What should you do when your kids cry at the classroom door?

Give them a big hug, say, "Good-Bye", and then leave.

It's that simple.

All kids will cry at some point or another during the school day; whether it is at drop off, or at lunchtime, or at nap time, or when another child takes their toy. The teachers know how to handle it with care and guidance.

Sometimes parents cry at some



point during the day too.

That's okay.

We are built to have emotions. Strong attachment leads to strong emotions. Strong attachment leads to greater future success in life and career. Children should have strong relationships both with family and with non-family members to prepare them to be productive members of society.

Some pundits believe that the adult should sneak away while the child is not looking, thereby avoiding a tearful goodbye. What does that do to a child? It destroys trust. It makes them nervous because they cannot predict when it will happen

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July home sales

The Skye Canyon home sales market saw 31 homes close in the past 30 days, ending on July 20.

The most expensive home sold was for \$924,900 on Rolling Pietra Street. The 3,626-square-foot, two-story home was originally built in 2023 and closed on July 2. The price was \$255 per square foot.

The least expensive home was a two-story townhome on Grabill Spruce Street, a 1,643-square-foot home that sold for \$384,740 on May 29. The home was built in 2026 and sold for \$234 per square foot.

Following is a list of home closed for 30 days, ending July 20. Information is from Zillow.

9675 Skye Cliff Ave., 2,822sqft, \$820,000
 8320 Carabiner Court, 3,190sqft, \$797,000
 9954 Bighorn Bellows Ave., 2,326sqft, \$690,000
 8136 Skye Plum St., 2,702sqft, \$575,000
 8098 Skye Canyon Grand St., 1,486sqft, \$430,000
 10455 Skye Summit Ave., 2,002sqft, \$450,000
 8047 Mercury Skye St., 2,625sqft, \$511,000
 8106 Skye Sweep St., 2,390sqft, \$545,000
 10786 Rockvale Falls Ave., 2,519sqft, \$550,000
 8343 Weidler St., 1,432sqft, \$400,000
 8526 Felker St., 1,705sqft, \$480,000

8946 Gilpin St., 2,328sqft, \$540,000
 8321 Vanhoy Creek St., 1,742sqft, \$482,500
 8433 Tanton Ridge, 1,816sqft, \$570,050
 8432 Evening Bay, 1742sqft, \$518,550
 8464 Evening Bay, 1,816sqft, \$560,000
 10820 Birch Meadows Ave., 1,792sqft, \$510,000
 8625 Banyan Springs St., 2,119sqft, \$562,622
 10812 Alamo Ave., 2,119sqft, \$580,000
 8870 Grabill Spruce St., 1,643sqft, \$406,550
 8886 Grabill Spruce St., 1,643sqft, \$384,740
 10725 Rhinehill Ave., 1,965sqft, \$475,000
 10717 Rhinehill Ave., 1,602sqft, \$440,000
 10729 Rhinehill Ave., 1,602sqft, \$435,000
 10712 Rhinehill Ave., 1,708sqft, \$479,840
 10720 Rhinehill Ave., 1,965sqft, \$485,000
 8984 Rolling Pietra St., 3,626sqft, \$924,900
 9056 Shifting Skye St., 2,263sqft, \$600,000
 9086 Shifting Skye St., 2,566sqft, \$739,513
 9893 Cullin Range Ave., 2,093sqft, \$530,000
 9987 Yetti Stroll Ave., 1,847sqft, \$610,000

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7/4, 1pm, 9700 block of Skye Canyon Park Drive
7/5, 9:07pm, 10200 block of Western Pine Street
7/6, 2:40am, 6200 block of Foxes Dale Street
7/6, 10:48pm, 6200 block of Foxes Dale Street
7/7, 3:50pm, 10600 block of West Centennial Parkway
7/8, 11:21pm, 7800 block of Granite City Court
7/10, 8:25pm, 10300 block of Ironwood Pass Avenue
7/11, 7:56pm, North Hualapai Way and Dorrell Lane

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6/25, 5:15pm, 10200 block of Radcliffe Peak Avenue

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Destruction of Property/Vandalism
6/24, 7:30am, 8400 block of Evening Bay Street
7/9, 7:19am, 8800 block of North Grand Canyon Drive

DRUGS/NARCOTICS OFFENSES

6/24, 4:46pm, 7800 block of Forspence Court

FRAUD

6/29, 4:09pm, 8000 block of Calico Mesa Street
7/6, 8:16am, 10100 block of Skye Saddle Avenue
7/10, 3:55pm, 8900 block of Coastal Oaks Street

LARCENY/THEFT

6/24, 8:25am, 8500 block of Oslo Blanca Road
6/25, 1:28pm, 8200 block of North Grand Canyon Drive
7/1, 10:30am, 5700 block of Zesty Court
7/2, 8:21am, 10400 block of Kilt Rock Avenue
7/3, 4:05pm, 7000 block of North Hualapai Way
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Wednesdays

Farmer's Market: 2-6:30 p.m., Bruce Trent Park, 8851 Vegas Drive. Real, farm-fleshed produce and handcrafted artisan goods.

Thursdays

Farmer's Market: 4-8 p.m., Skye Canyon Park, 1011 W. Skye Canyon Park Drive. Support local farmers by shopping for your produce from the comfort of your community center. The farmer's market is produced by Fresh 52, farmers and artisan markets.

Saturdays

Sythe and Deanne: 5-8 p.m., Sicilian Guys Trattoria, 9800 W. Skye Canyon Park Drive, Suite 190. The dynamic bling duo perform all genres and decades of music. Never the same show twice. 702-331-6873.

SATURDAY, AUG. 1

Book Sale: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Centennial Hills Library, 6711 N. Buffalo Drive. Shop the annual Library District Foundation Summer Book Sale. Call 702-507-6107.

Readers Circle Book Club: 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Centennial Hills Library, 6711 N. Buffalo Drive. Pick a book that matches the theme the share what you read. This month's theme is "A book translated into English." Call 702-507-6107.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 5

Bunco: 10 a.m., Centennial Hills Active Adult Center, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive. Menu TBD. \$7 702-229-1702.

Senior Book Club: 1:15 p.m., Centennial Hills Active Adult Center, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive. Wild Dark Shore by Charlotte McCongley. 702-229-1702.

THURSDAY, AUG. 6

Centennial Creative Club: 10:30 a.m., Centennial Hills Active Adult Center, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive. Corn Husk Candles. Cost \$7. 702-229-1702.

Back to School Bash: 2-4 p.m., Centennial Hills Library, 6711 N. Buffalo Drive. This event offers

Splash Back to School event set for Aug. 1

Families are invited to celebrate the end of summer and prepare for the new school year at the annual Splash Back to School event on Saturday, Aug. 1, from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. at the Centennial Hills Community Center/YMCA Pool, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive.

Hosted by Las Vegas City Councilwoman Nancy E. Brune in partnership with the Centennial Hills YMCA, the free community event will feature an evening of swimming, entertainment and family-friendly activities.

Guests can enjoy free swimming, frozen treats while supplies last, community vendors, youth performances and a variety of food trucks. The event is open to the public, making it a fun way for families, friends and neighbors to gather before the start of the school year.

The evening will conclude with a special outdoor screening of the Disney-Pixar favorite "Finding Nemo," beginning at 8:30 p.m. Attendees are encouraged to bring towels and arrive early to take advantage of the pool and activities before the movie begins.

Admission is free, but organizers are asking attendees to RSVP in advance by calling 702-229-5463.



something for everyone: movement, creativity, and the tools you need for a strong start to the school year. Call 702-507-6107.

Genius Games - Unlock the Good: 6 p.m., Rita Deanin Abbey Museum, 5850 N. Park St. Connect with other entrepreneurs, professionals and curious humans with interactive games and group challenges designed to spark creativity. \$20. Visit RitaDeaninAbbeyMuseum.org.

FRIDAY, AUG. 7

90s Station: 9 p.m., Santa Fe Station Chrome Showroom, 4949 N. Rancho Drive. Upbeat 90s hits to keep the audience dancing. No cover. Must be 21-and-older to attend.

SATURDAY, AUG. 8

Ekphrastic Poetry Workshop: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Rita Deanin Abbey Museum, 5850 N. Park St. Enjoy the connection between visual art and creative writing through the practice of ekphrastic poetry. Visit

RitaDeaninAbbeyMuseum.org.

Vitalant Blood drive: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., Centennial Hills Library, 6711 N. Buffalo Drive. Schedule an appointment at www.bloodhero.com and enter sponsor code CHLIBRARY, or call 877-258-4825.

Kirk Whalum: 9 p.m., Santa Fe Station Chrome Showroom, 4949 N. Rancho Drive. Whalum is a 12-time Grammy Award nominee who won his first award in 2011 for Best Gospel Song. Reserved tickets start at \$37.50 plus taxes and fees. All ages with 21-plus. Tickets available at rewards center or Ticketmaster.com.

SUNDAY, AUG. 9

Yiddish Yoga - A Bisi Sholem with Heather Klein and Candace Martin: 11 a.m. - noon, Rita Deanin Abbey Museum, 5850 N. Park St. Join in a song circle with "a bisi" (little) guided yoga movement. Bring a yoga mat and any additional blocks supports for your comfort. \$30. Visit RitaDeaninAbbeyMuseum.org.

TUESDAY, AUG. 11

Garden Meeting: 9 a.m., Centennial Hills Active Adult Center, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive. Education on gardening in a desert climate. 702-229-1702.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 12

Small Business Breakfast: 8:30-10 a.m., Centennial Hills Active Adult Center, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive. Join councilwoman Nancy Brune and business leaders from the community to discuss development and the need to build a more robust and thriving community. RSVP required by calling 702-229-5463.

Senior luncheon: 11:30 a.m., Centennial Hills Active Adult Center, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive. Philly cheesesteak, pasta salad and fruit crisps. \$12. 702-229-1702.

FRIDAY, AUG. 14

Red Cross blood drive: 11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Centennial Hills Library, 6711 N. Buffalo Drive. Schedule an appointment at redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code CENT-HILLSLIB. Call 1-800-RED-CROSS.

Double Vision - Foreigners Tribute: 8 p.m., Aliante Casino Access Showroom, 7300 N. Aliante Parkway. An energizing performance with some of New York City's top professional rock musicians. Tickets start at \$31.45 and are available at Ticketmaster.com.

Yellow Brick Road: 9 p.m., Santa Fe Station Chrome Showroom, 4949 N. Rancho Drive. Yellow Brick Road bring rock music to the forefront of what was once known as the "lounge scene." No cover. Must be 21-and-older to attend.

SATURDAY, AUG. 15

Three Lock Box - The Ultimate Sammy Hagar Tribute: 8 p.m., Aliante Casino Access Showroom, 7300 N. Aliante Parkway. Come out and hear the Red Rocker's biggest hits. Tickets start at \$37.10 and are available at Ticketmaster.

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com.

Blue String Theory: 9 p.m., Santa Fe Station Chrome Showroom, 4949 N. Rancho Drive. Five seasoned musicians dedicated to performing live entertainment. No cover. Must be 21-and-older to attend.

TUESDAY, AUG. 18

Guest Lecture: 10 a.m., Centennial Hills Active Adult Center, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive. Banker's life. 702-229-1702

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 19

Bingo: 11 a.m., Centennial Hills Active Adult Center, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive. Menu TBD. \$7. 702-229-1702.

THURSDAY, AUG. 20

Centennial Creative Club: 10:30 a.m., Centennial Hills Active Adult Center, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive. Corn Husk Candles. Cost \$7. 702-229-1702.

SATURDAY, AUG. 22

The Great Kiwanis Flapjack Feast: 8-10 a.m., Applebee's, 1635 W. Craig Road. Join us for breakfast in support of the Kiwanis Club of Centennial Hills! Contact Debbie Oliver for tickets (\$12 each) at 702-580-4115 or info@signhereamerica.com.

Campfire Storytime: 11-11:45 a.m., Centennial Hills Library, 6711 N. Buffalo Drive. For this storytime, sit around the campfire to hear stories, make some crafts, and learn about what it's like in the great outdoors!

Ages 3-11. Call 702-507-6107.

Fiddle & Fern jazz concert: 2-4 p.m., Rita Deanin Abbey Museum, 5850 N. Park St. Musicians Arturo Hernandez Gomez, James Anderson David Warner and Adrianna Shaw present an unforgettable jazz performance. \$30. Visit Rita-DeaninAbbeyMuseum.org.

Fleetwood Mask: 8 p.m., Santa Fe Station Chrome Showroom, 4949 N. Rancho Drive. Fleetwood Mac tribute band goes beyond the hits with a deep dive into fan favorites and rare cuts. Reserved tickets start at \$25 plus taxes and fees. All ages with 21-plus. Tickets available at rewards center or Ticketmaster.com.

MONDAY, AUG. 24

Movie: 10 a.m., Centennial Hills Active Adult Center, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive. Come out to see a newly released movie. 702-229-1702.

Minions Rock! Paint and Sip: 4:30-5:15 p.m., Centennial Hills Library, 6711 N. Buffalo Drive. Bello! Join us as we paint our favorite troublemakers on rocks. Grab a juice box, grab a brush, and have some fun! Space is limited. Grades K-5. Call 702-507-6107.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 26

Flower Power Forever Anniversary Party: 11:30 a.m., Centennial Hills Active Adult Center, 6601 N. Buffalo Drive. Still groovy after 18 years and looking better than ever. Fun games and food will be served. Cost \$12. 702-229-1702.



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again. It robs them of the opportunity to show the adult - through tears - how much the adult means to them. Don't sneak away. Say, "Good-Bye," feel the feelings, embrace the feelings, know that the tears carry a very important message from your child: Don't forget to come back.

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the child that is sad. It is as if they are saying, "I've been there, it will be okay."

Say, "Good Bye" with love and say, "I won't forget to come back".

I wish everyone a wonderful back to school transition. Pack your tissues.

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Kiwanis Club of Centennial Hills to host Halloween bowling fundraiser

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The Kiwanis Club of Centennial Hills is inviting families, friends and community supporters to lace up their bowling shoes for a fun-filled Halloween Bowling Fundraiser on Saturday, Oct. 3, at Santa Fe Station, located at 4949 N. Rancho Drive. The event will take place from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Participants can enjoy an afternoon of bowling, costumes, prize drawings and family-friendly entertainment, all while supporting the club's efforts to serve local children and community programs.

Tickets are \$25 per bowler and include bowling and shoe rental. Organizers encourage attendees of all ages to wear Halloween costumes and join in the festive spirit.

In addition to bowling, guests will have opportunities to win prizes through special drawings held throughout the event.

Businesses and community members looking to support the fundraiser can also take advantage of sponsorship opportunities, helping the Kiwanis Club continue its mission of improving the lives of children and families throughout the Centennial Hills area.

The Halloween Bowling Fundraiser is expected to bring together residents from across the northwest valley for an afternoon of fun, fellowship and community involvement.

For tickets, sponsorship information or additional event details, visit Kiwanis Club of Centennial Hills or email kiwanisclubofcentennialhills@gmail.com.



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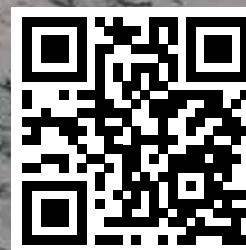
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