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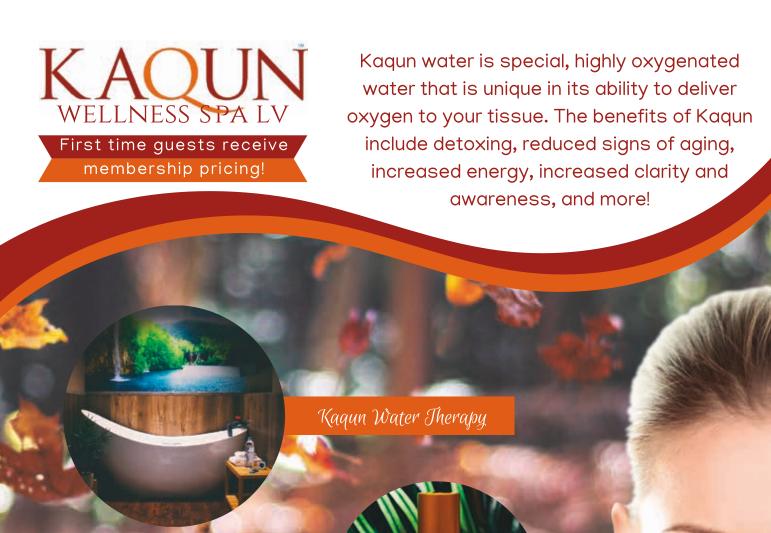
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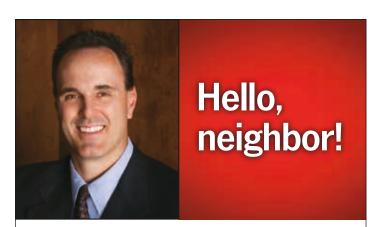
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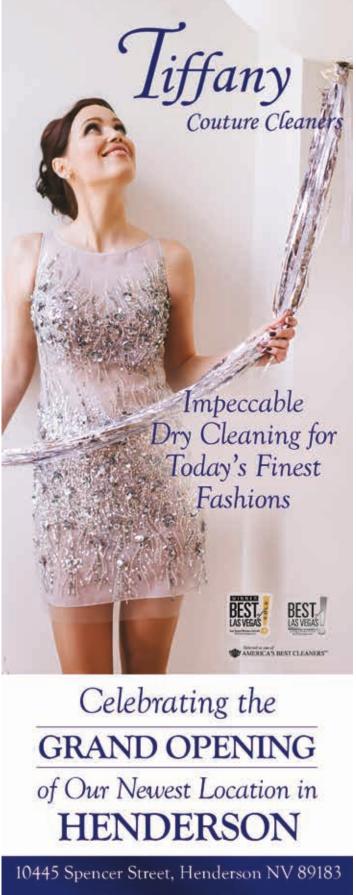
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For most of the country, October usually means the beginning of fall, with piles of leaves and cool temperatures and pretty colors, but being a Las Vegas native, I'd be willing to settle for anything less than hundred-degree temperatures at this point!

I hope everybody was able to attend our neighborhood happy hour in September, and if you weren't able to make it, make sure to watch out for our next few events coming up shortly!

I hope you enjoy this month's publication. As you know, all of the stories we feature all come directly from you - the residents. We get to meet a Southern Highlands family doing big things with a new business, Naty shares some fitness tips, and much more. This makes what we do at South Vegas Elite different than every other publication around. If you have any feedback or would like to become a writer for the neighborhood, please don't hesitate to give me a call at 702-630-8916 or email me at bryan.simpkins@n2pub. com and I'd be happy to schedule some time to talk with you.

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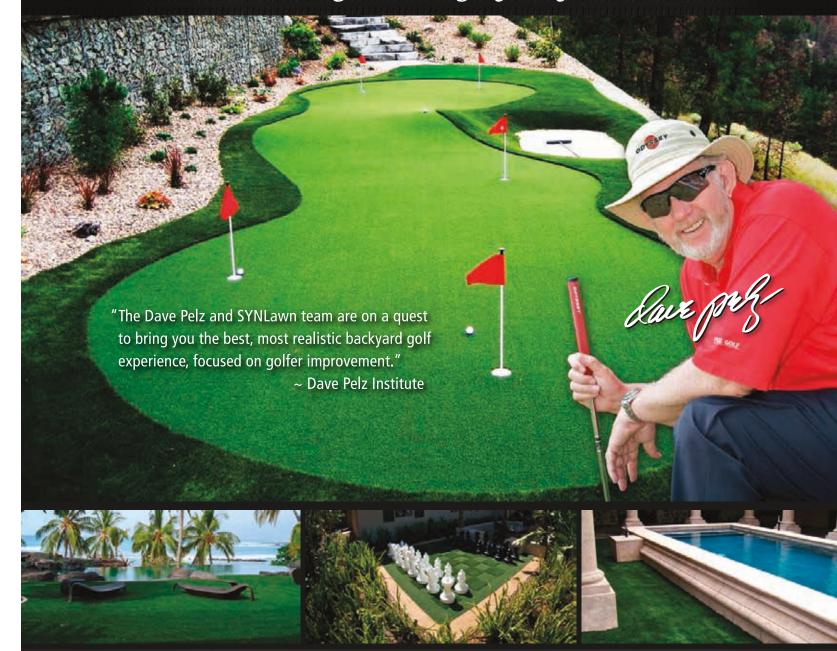
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# Southern Highlands families team up to Revolutionize Education

ducating our children is a priority for every parent. Two Southern Highlands families have joined together to improve the way our children learn combining artificial intelligence, powerful reporting, and video games. Dr. Ralph Thomas and Brian G. Rosenberg, two friends and neighbors in Southern Highlands, joined forces to create their new company, Education Revolution.

Brian Rosenberg and his wife Candy have lived in Southern Highlands Golf Club for the past four years with their three children Alex, Liz and Kate. Brian most recently led one of the largest IT projects in the history of Nevada at the University Medical Center and is now the Chief Executive Office and Co-Founder of Education Revolution LLC. Candy volunteers her time at the Asia Cultural Center and Stuckey Elementary School and runs an import business, TRG International Trade. Candy is from Thailand, and the Rosenberg's enjoy hosting dinner parties for everyone to enjoy Candy's Thai cooking. With three children, the Rosenberg's are actively involved in Girl Scouts (Candy is the leader), tennis, dance classes, jiu-jitsu, swimming and piano. Alex, Liz and Kate enjoy Disney Movies and love to vacation in Disneyland as well. As a family, they celebrate the Chinese New Year with an annual party and with traditional lion dances.

Ralph and D'Amber Thomas have lived in the neighborhood for five years with their son, RJ Thomas. The Thomas family loves to have family dinners at the Clubhouse and watch



Big Brother whenever it's on. Ralph has a PhD in mathematics from Princeton University and UNLV. Now he is the President and Founder of Education Revolution which is the producer of the Socrates Learning Platform.

Their product, Socrates, is a learning platform that connects the home and classroom learning experiences and develops individualized learning paths for each child across thousands of educational categories. Socrates also includes games and a gamification system where students earn and spend tickets and tokens for fun activities. This keeps the child engaged and wanting to play more – the more they play, the more they learn.

Earlier this year Socrates received a grant from the National Science Foundation based on its significant potential benefit to society. Brian and Ralph used the funding to make the product available to schools in Las Vegas. Currently available content includes Math for elementary school, with English launching in a matter of weeks. Science for elementary school and content for middle school students will follow.

They have recently opened an office, hired staff, and got the entire families involved - even their kids. Their children ranging in age from 3-10 are the best focus group for testing and feedback that an education company could ask for.

"Socrates is designed to create individualized learning paths across any number of education categories and deliver essentially any type of content," states Dr. Ralph Thomas. "Over time we will steadily expand the content available and optimize our learning intelligence to improve educational outcomes for kids in Las Vegas and across the county."

In just a few months Socrates has been adopted by a dozen schools and twice as many libraries. With over 6,000 active users, Socrates is already making a difference to students in the valley, including right here in Southern Highlands. "Our vision is to give every child an equal opportunity to learn to their maximum potential, regardless of income level," states Brian G. Rosenberg. "The feedback we have had from schools is amazing and it is exciting to make a difference in the lives of so many kids."

To learn more about Socrates, contact Brian at brian@ learnwithsocrates.comor visit the website at www.learnwithsocrates.com

## Halloween Fun

#### By Southern Highlands Golf Club resident writer Tania Dawood

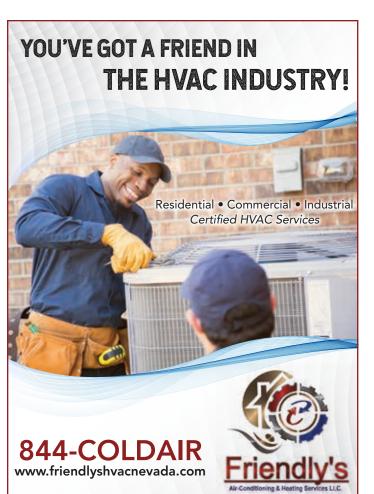
You don't have to trick or treat to join in on the Halloween fun. Here is a list of a few options on how to have good, clean fun, whether it's with the kids, with friends, or even alone.

#### 1. Haunted Houses in Vegas, With Friends

Halloween time in Vegas immediately calls for Fright Dome tickets, but there are other attractions around if you are looking for something different to explore. The Asylum Hotel at the Meadows Mall has two houses to explore. To enjoy a very brief road trip before your scare, check out Bonnie Screams at Bonnie Springs Ranch, which, of course, guarantees an at-home Western feel. Try exploring Freakling Bros. Trilogy of Terror if you dare; based on reviews, it is not for people who want to close their eyes and walk through a haunted house easily.

#### 2. Movie Night, Alone or with Friends

Whether your put on your horror movie after trick-or-treating or clearing out the snack aisle at the drugstore, be sure to add







some tasty beverages like crème soda (in place of Butterbeer). Do not forget to dim the lights!

#### 3. Harvest Festivals and Pumpkin Patches, With Friends

There are pumpkin patches scattered around Vegas. Dress warm and stylish to explore the areas with your friends and maybe carve a Jack-o-Lantern! The Southern Highlands Fall Festival will take place on October 20 for kid-friendly fun! There will be free parking and shuttle service from Evelyn Stuckey Elementary School to the location, Goett Family Park.

#### 4.Costume Contest, With Friends

To encourage everyone to join in on the Halloween fun, offer a great prize for the winner of the costume contest. Having a

photographer or good quality camera present will further encourage guests to put effort into making a creative costume.

#### 5.Potluck Contest, With Friends and Acquaintances

Who made the best Halloween-themed food and beverage? You decide if it's your party! You also get to try a lot of tasty and creative treats.

#### 6. Jack-o'-Lantern Drawing, With Other Parents

If the kids are too young to work with carving tools, distributing non-toxic paint markers and small pumpkins gives them a chance to be creative. If the paint is washable, they can start over if they mess up, too! After that, you are all set for Halloween décor.

#### 7. Personal Haunted House, the Whole Neighborhood

If you are not in the mood to trick or treat but want to participate in the spirit of the tradition, you can make your house a special one for trick-or-treaters to visit by dressing up and decorating your porch with a scary or story-book theme. You can even make your entrance a haunted house entrance to add to the fun! Just do not be the house that hands out raisins.

Remember that if you do decide to participate in good old-fashioned trick-or-treating, stay safe by steering clear from busy streets, remind your children to not enter the houses of strangers, and most importantly, go for the king-sized candy bars!





#### recipe of the month

## Caramel Apples

Ready for some gourmet, gooey, delicious caramel apples? Here is the recipe to get you into the Fall spirit!

#### Ingredients:

5 large Granny Smith apples

wooden craft sticks

1 (14 ounces) package individually wrapped caramels, unwrapped

2 tablespoons water

7 ounces chocolate candy bar, broken into pieces

2 tablespoons shortening, divided

1 cup colored candy coating melts



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#### Directions:

1. Bring a large pot of water to a boil. Dip apples into boiling water briefly, using a slotted spoon, to remove any wax that may be present. Wipe dry and set aside to cool. Insert sticks into the apples through the cores.

- 2. Line a baking sheet with waxed paper and coat with cooking spray. Place the unwrapped caramels into a microwave-safe medium bowl along with 2 tablespoons of water. Cook on high for 2 minutes, then stir and continue cooking and stirring at 1-minute intervals until caramel is melted and smooth.
- 3. Hold apples by the stick, and dip into the caramel to coat. Set on waxed paper; refrigerate for about 15 minutes to set.
- 4. Heat the chocolate with 1 tablespoon of shortening in a microwave-safe bowl until melted and smooth. Dip apples into the chocolate to cover the layer of caramel. Return to the waxed paper to set.
- 5. Melt the candy melts in the microwave with the remaining shortening, stirring every 30 seconds until smooth. Use a fork or wooden stick to flick colored designs onto your apples for a finishing touch. Refrigerate until set, overnight is even better.

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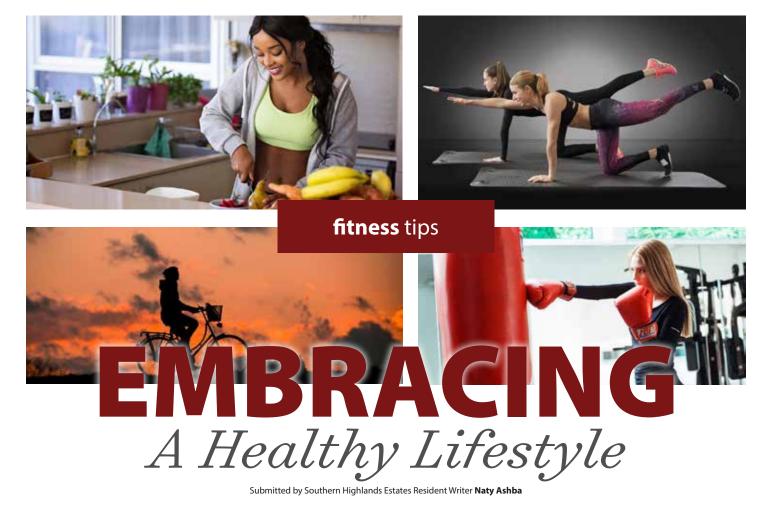




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A lot of people associate getting fit with joining a gym, but often, this isn't the preferred approach for most people, as it isn't aligned with their true needs; either they are so time-starved they're barely able to make it to the gym or perhaps they feel a little intimidated by all other other people that have been exercising for months, if not years. This tends to result in gym membership cards being put into a drawer somewhere and not used, which is not only a financial hit to take, it's also a huge hit to your self-esteem.

This is perhaps why home fitness is such a booming trend and why concepts such as Your House Fitness, which offers in-home personal training is so popular given the convenience of having a trainer come to you and fit around your schedule, rather than you having to fit around a fixed gym timetable and have the hassle of driving to the gym.

Home fitness has been around for decades, with the likes of Jane Fonda instructing aerobics in our living room, yet in recent times, it has expanded to numerous areas from holistic well-being such as yoga, Pilates, and yogalates to the more hardcore interval-based Tabata training workouts.

Essentially, we all want to embrace a healthier lifestyle, but it can sometimes be hard to find the motivation to commit. This is where a personal trainer comes in or perhaps a small group class that invokes your competitive spirit. If you like the sound of getting without hauling yourself to the gym then, in addition to

looking into getting a personal trainer to visit your home once or twice a week, you might want to consider the following:

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You may prefer to go exploring in the great outdoors, but many of us prefer the idea of cycling in front of the TV in the comfort, convenience, and privacy of your own home. Now that fall is in the air, there's no need to limit yourself to indoor cycling, as cycling is a great way to get fresh air and see the country-side. The main benefit of exercising in this way is that it will work the majority of major muscle groups and is relatively low-impact, meaning it won't negatively affect your joints as much as high impact sports like running and aerobics.

#### 2.Boxing

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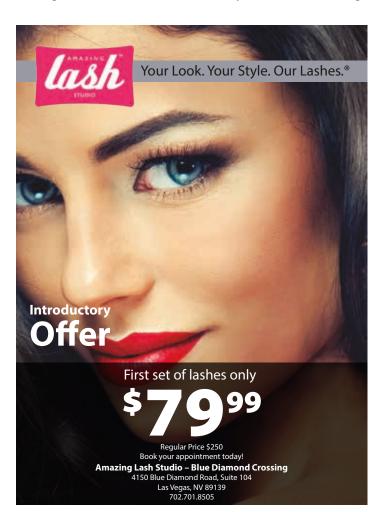
We talked previously about the growing trend in on-demand fitness classes that follow a similar model to Netflix; the great thing with these classes is that they fit around your schedule, unlike a gym, where you have to fit around its timetable and you don't have to feel so embarrassed about being the person at the back not really knowing the moves. It's a great way to build up your fitness and competency before braving a real-life exercise class.

#### sponsor spotlight



Mike Roades is the owner of Eco-Tint here in Vegas. We asked him to share some information about himself and his business.

I grew up in Los Angeles and have lived in Las Vegas for the past 14 years. I went to school in Arkansas and received a BS in exercise physiology and pursuing med school (things just didn't align, so I stuck with what I knew best – tint). My business partner and wife Courtney has a human resource degree. After finishing school, my wife and I moved to Florida and opened our own window-tinting shop. I had an offer to work with a friend of ours in Las Vegas, and we made the cross-country move. While working







for someone else, I knew there was a lack in quality and customer service in the window film industry that we could provide. With that in mind, my wife and I decided to open up Eco-Tint.

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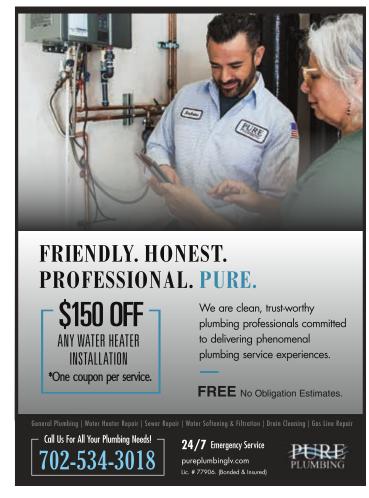
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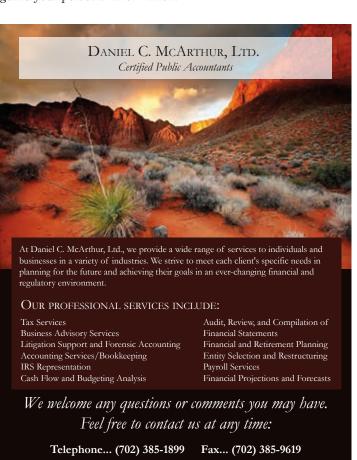
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While it's convenient to keep the same password, month after month, it simply isn't wise. Changing your password frequently is one simple method to protect accounts. Resist the urge to use the same password for multiple sites. Finally, make passwords a mixture of uppercase letters, lowercase letters, numbers and even symbols. Don't use your name, birthdates, phone numbers or addresses. If you're not creative, consider using a password generator for unique passwords. Your password should be like your toothbrush – don't share it with others.

#### **Delete Old Accounts**

Have an old Netflix account, Twitter account or Groupon? Or perhaps you no longer use Craftsy, Etsy or eBay. Don't leave old accounts open online. Use it or lose it. Accounts can contain payment data (if saved) and personal information.

#### **Don't Overshare**

We have all heard about people who posted about their vacation on Facebook only to come home to have their house ransacked. Although it may be tempting to overshare, save it for in-person conversations with trusted family and friends. Going somewhere? Share your vacation photos after your getaway.

Everyone leaves a digital footprint online. Protect your personal information with a few simple steps for peace of mind.



compartment, improved steering response, Brembo performance brakes, and lightweight 18-inch wheels with

CUV shopping? There's something sexy about an Alfa. Still a newcomer to the compact luxury crossover SUV crowd, the Alfa Romeo Stelvio comes in three variants: a base Stelvio, luxury-oriented Ti and a high-performance Quadrifoglio. Our Ti model with Sport AWD added about \$10K to the base price of \$43,995 and came with a turbocharged 2.0-liter

alloy wheels. All this and the price

tag was still under \$30K. If there's

room left in the budget, you might

investigate the limited-edition BRZ tS

with STI-tuned shocks and springs,

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215/40 performance tires.





Alfa Romeo Stelvio

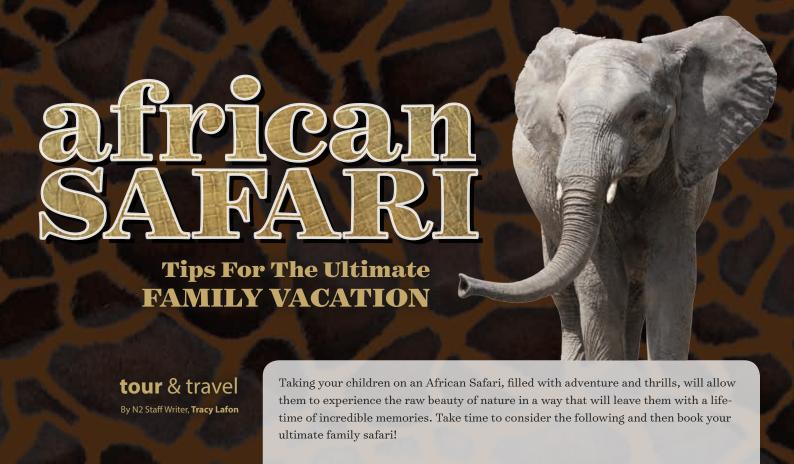


Volkswagen Atlas

inline four-cylinder engine good for 280 horsepower and 306 pound-feet of torque and an eight-speed automatic. The Quadrifoglio brings stiffer suspension tuning, stickier tires and a Ferrari-derived twin-turbocharged 2.9-liter V6 engine for 505 horsepower, 443 pound-feet of torque and a price tag closer to \$80K. But here's the thing: While the first two Stelvio options are priced on par with others in the compact luxury CUV category, among competitors claiming zero to 60 mph in under four seconds, the 505 hp Stelvio's price tag is by far the least expensive.

Need a three-row family hauler? Volkswagen's Atlas features an interior that's no-nonsense yet fairly sophisticated with that solid German footing on the road. In VW's line-up, the Atlas falls between the compact Tiguan and high-end Touareg. It's larger than the Touareg, but it doesn't offer the same level of features or options. Our tester was an SEL trim level, with a V6 engine, panoramic sunroof, power-adjustable front pas $senger\ seats,\ park\ distance\ control$ and 4MOTION all-wheel-drive for \$43,615. Even if you opt for the fully loaded top-of-the-line SEL Premium, you'll pay the same for the fully loaded Atlas as a base model Audi Q7. While the Atlas' slightly boxier style may not be quite as sexy as the Audi, boxy translates to a better third row and more cargo space.

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#### **Decide On Your Adventure**

Do you want to stay in a lodge and go out on daily adventures? Or would you rather join a traveling safari that stops at different villages or campsites? For small children,

> a lodge is a great choice as it offers a daily, comfortable reprieve. Older children may prefer the excitement of spending the entire time in the wild - and it makes for a great way to unplug them from technology.

#### Plan Your Must-See List

Do you want to see giraffes up close? Is someone in the family a shutterbug that must get a photo of lions in the wild? Is a water adventure, like whitewater rafting, a must? Do you want your children to experience a cultural exchange with a local village? Consider booking a safari that offers separate adventures for kids and ones for parents as well.

#### **Do The Homework**

Research locations. Often when planning, travelers tend to forget that Africa is a massive continent. There is a vast offering of cultural and geographical differences not to mention political and financial variances across Africa. There can be appeals and concerns with all of them. Be sure to carefully review the best fit for your family prior to booking.

#### **Prepare The Family Ahead Of Time**

If your children are old enough, involve them in the planning. Talk about the places you will visit. Watch videos on Africa. Find out what animals interest them the most. Consider alleviating and calming any potential fears about traveling to an unknown and exotic place by talking it through with them before you travel.





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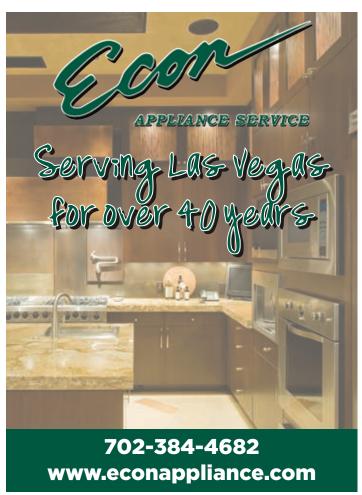
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What: Farmers' Market When: October 4 at 9 a.m. Where: Henderson Pavilion Price: Free

**Information:** With dozens of vendors, fresh produce comes from local farmers and California farmers. Vis-

it http://www.cityofhenderson.com/events/event-detail%2f2018%2f06%2f07%2fdefault-calendar%2fhenderson-farmers-market for more information.

What: Halloween Movie Night: Hocus Pocus When: October 5 at 6 p.m. Where: Henderson Pavilion **Price:** Free **Information:** Get into

the Halloween spirit with the showing of a Disney classic. Visit http://www.





cityofhenderson.com/events/event-detail%2f2018%2f10%2f06%2fdefault-calendar%2fhalloween-movie-night-featuring-hocus-pocus for more information.

What: Family Glow-In-the-Dark Golf Night

When: October 12 at 5 p.m. Where: Wildhorse Golf Club Price: \$5

Information: With lots of glow-in-the-dark golf and bounce houses, Frisbee golf and raffles, this night out will light up your



week. Visit http://www.cityofhenderson.com/events/event-detail%2f2018%2f10%2f13%2fdefault-calendar%2f2nd-annual-familyglow-in-the-dark-golf-night for more information.

#### What: Tots

Trick-or-Threat Trail When: October 24 at 11 a.m. Where: Valley View Recreation Center

Price: Free (a donation of two canned food items for Salvation Army are appreciated) Information: Get the kids into their Halloween costumes to trick or treat and collect some sweet treats. Visit http://www.cityofhenderson.com/events/event-de-



tail%2f2018%2f10%2f24%2fdefault-calendar%2ftots-trick-or-treat-trail for more information.

What: Three Dog Night When: October 25 at 6:30 p.m.

Where: Henderson Pavilion Price: Check website for price Information: These legendary music icons celebrate forty years by bringing some classics back. Visit http://www.



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