

State Register Number:

Property Name: Log Cabin

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
901 S. STEWART STREET
CARSON CITY, NEVADA 89701



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STATE HISTORIC
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NEVADA REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES Nomination Form

1. NAME OF PROPERTY

Historic name: Log Cabin
Other names: The Times of Mineral County Office, Sierra Station, The Dog House Saloon, Chooch's Log Cabin Saloon

2. LOCATION

Street Address: 633 E Street
City or Town: Hawthorne County: Mineral Zip: 89415
Original Location? Yes No. If no, date moved: N/A

3. OWNERSHIP & CLASSIFICATION

Ownership of Property: private
Owner Name: Andy Beach
Owner Address: 750 E St, Hawthorne, NV 89415

Number of Resources within Property

Buildings 1
Sites _____
Structures _____
Objects _____
Total: 1

FOR OFFICIAL USE:

8/20/2025 Nomination Received Senate # _____ Assembly # _____

Listing Criteria A B C D E

A. BOARD OF MUSEUMS AND HISTORY

As the chair of the Nevada Museums and History Board, I hereby certify that this nomination meets the documentation standards for listing in the Nevada Register of Historic Places.

03/16/2026

Signature of the Chair

Date

B. STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

As the Nevada State Historic Preservation Officer, I hereby certify that this nomination meets the documentation standards for listing in the Nevada Register of Historic Places.

03/17/2026

5. FUNCTION OR USE

Historic Use/Function: _____ bar / saloon
Intermediate Use/Function: _____ newspaper office
Current Use/Function: _____ bar / saloon

6. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA (select one or more from instructions)

- _____ **Criterion A** - Property is associated with events or trends that have made a significant contribution to Nevada history.
- _____ **Criterion B** - Property is associated with the lives of persons significant to Nevada's past.
- ___x___ **Criterion C** - Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction significant to Nevada, or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- _____ **Criterion D** - Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important to Nevada's prehistory or history.
- _____ **Criterion E** - Property reflects cultural traditions important to historic or pre-historic peoples of Nevada. (Nevada State Register only).

Criteria Considerations (check only those that apply)

- _____ **Criteria Consideration 1** – The property is religious in nature, but is primarily significant for its architecture, or is the only remaining or best remaining resource from an historic community.
- _____ **Criteria Consideration 2** – The property has been reconstructed, but is an accurately executed reconstruction and is located in an environment that replicates its historic setting.
- _____ **Criteria Consideration 3** – The property achieved significance within the past fifty years but is rare or exceptional.

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7. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Area(s) of Significance	architecture
Period of Significance	1949-1978
Cultural Affiliation(s)	N/A
Significant Person(s)	Stuart Higgins
Architect/Builder(s)	unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance:

The Log Cabin in Hawthorne, Nevada is significant under Criterion C in the area of distinctive types of architecture significant to Nevada. The Log Cabin built in 1949, is an example of programmatic architecture. Buildings with a “log cabin” exterior was popularized in California in the 1930’s. This is the only example of this architectural style in Hawthorne, Nevada, while also a prime example of a popular subsection of programmatic and novelty architecture. This is the only programmatic “log cabin” building in the state of Nevada.

History of Hawthorne, Nevada

On April 14, 1881, railroad officials of the narrow-gauge Carson and Colorado Railroad auctioned off lots and created the town of Hawthorne. There is a legend, as there usually is with Nevada mining towns, that the area of Hawthorne was chosen to be settled by a man's burro, who found this spot in the valley of the Wassuk Range to be the least windy.¹ In 1883, Esmeralda County moved its seat from Aurora, situated in the mountains above Hawthorne's valley, to Hawthorne. In 1900, Hawthorne's population was a mere 436.² The Carson and Colorado Railroad was sold to the Southern Pacific Railroad on March 1, 1900 for \$2,750,000. The transaction occurred just two months before silver and gold discoveries in May in Tonopah and Goldfield spurred the line’s profitability.³

In 1905, the Southern Pacific Railroad built a new railway bypass to ease the strain of the overburdened silver mines in Tonopah. The new railroad ran east of Walker Lake, therefore bypassing Hawthorne completely and instead stopped in Mina, 30 miles south. This was the first of many economic blows - a pattern that seems to persist today in Hawthorne, with businesses coming and going and the population booming and dwindling - that devastated the economy and made the future look very bleak. This resulted in the county seat being taken away from

¹ Permanent Collection, 2025, Mineral County Museum, Hawthorne, NV.

² Mineral County, Nevada, Records Office.

³ Cachinero, Eric “Transitory Train Towns” *Nevada Magazine*, July - August, 2018.

from Hawthorne and moved this time to Goldfield in May 1907.

The United States Government Comes to Hawthorne

Fortunately for the small town, a large silver deposit was struck in 1909 at the nearby Lucky Boy mine, transforming Hawthorne from a railway stop to a mining town. The finding led to a rise in population, which caused Esmeralda County to split in two, being that the booming Hawthorne was too far from the county seat in Goldfield. In 1911, Mineral County was created with Hawthorne as the county seat. However, by the 1920s the mining dried up, and similar to mining towns of the day, a 1926 fire wiped out most of the town's infrastructure.⁴

Meanwhile, the U.S. Government was looking for a new area for holding the country's ammunition, and found Hawthorne, Nevada to be the perfect spot. On the evening of October 14 through the following morning on October 15 in 1918, there was a major disaster in Sayreville, New Jersey at the Morgan Ammunition Depot, where stored bombs went off in the middle of the populated area where they were stored, killing approximately 100 people.⁵ The reason for establishing this new base in Nevada was to find a place very isolated and far from widely populated areas to store the country's bombs and ammunition. Hawthorne, being a mining bust town with heavy fire damage, in a location far from other developments, was the perfect location. This created the industry that keeps the town of Hawthorne afloat to this day. Not only is the base in Hawthorne now the world's largest ammunitions depot, but it is the only place in the country where the United States' bombs are sent to be detonated once they expire.⁶

The base was established in 1930 as Naval Ammunition Depot Hawthorne.⁷ At this point, with the creation of the new base, the town's population grew to over 700. But as 1940 came and the United States' involvement in World War II became imminent, Hawthorne's population exploded again, this time to 13,000 people.⁸ The need for housing prompted the construction of Babbitt, a government housing facility immediately northwest of Hawthorne. Babbitt consisted of cheaply constructed houses quickly built for the newcomers, all of which were completely

⁴ "Hawthorne, Nevada," Hawthorne, Nevada government website, accessed August 27, 2025. <http://inineralecountynv.us/clepartments/index.plip>

⁵ Felix, Elving. "Morgan Ammunition Depot Explosion: Topics in Chronicling America: Introduction," Library of Congress Research Guides, n.d.. Accessed August 27, 2025. <https://guides.loc.gov/chronicling-america-morgan-ammunition-explosion>

⁶ "World's Largest Ammunition Depot: World Record in Nevada," 2023. Accessed August 27, 2025. <http://www.worldrecordacademy.org/2023/2/worlds-largest-ammunition-depot-world-record-in-nevada-423129>

⁷ "Hawthorne Army Depot," United States Army Joint Munitions Command website, n.d. Accessed August 27, 2025. <https://www.jmc.army.mil/Installations.aspx?id=Hawthorne>

⁸ "Hawthorne," Nevada Travel Network, n.d. Accessed August 27, 2025. <https://www.nevadatravel.net/location/hawthorne/>

abandoned by the 1970s and demolished by the 1990s.⁹

Since World War II, Hawthorne's population has risen and fallen with each war. But as of 2025, the base has reduced its number of employees and now the town's population sits at around 2,700 people. In 2022, it was announced via press release that the Nevada National Guard will begin training soldiers in Hawthorne - so there is potential for yet another boom on the horizon.¹⁰

Nevada Saloons

It is no surprise that bars and saloons play an important role in the architecture of the Wild West. Richard Erdoes writes in *Saloons of the Old West*, “A saloon was often the first substantial building in a new settlement, the last to crumble when it turned into a ghost town.” These saloons acted as centers for community, entertainment, and debauchery in every western town. The tradition continues to this day in small Nevada towns, and has throughout the last 150 years. “As a rule,” Erdoes writes, “a new community had several saloons before the citizens got around to building a church. [...] Since the saloon was the only place to accommodate a crowd in some comfort, it was natural for the early thirst parlors to double as churches, their bars serving as pulpits.” This tradition has not left the town of Hawthorne, be it post-war when the Log Cabin was erected, or 2025, where the population of Hawthorne sits around 2,700 people are there are 6 active bars / casinos in town, providing the same services they did when the state was founded - all a part of the ethos of the state.¹¹

Programmatic Architecture and Nevada

Programmatic Architecture is a term used for early 20th century architecture that can be described as pop, oddball, or bizarre. It can also be described as mimetic, roadside, or novelty. This encompasses unusual shaped or styled buildings, starting with the trend of modern U.S. highways and American roadtrips. Because the style is categorized as camp, it has been overlooked in history, with many of these buildings torn down due to a lack of respect for this unusual yet historic style. Remaining examples are few and far between, but today are appreciated in architectural literature. Early examples of this style were a coffee shop shaped like a coffee pot, a BBQ restaurant in the shape of a pig, or an ice cream stand shaped like an igloo.

⁹ Unknown. *Cracking Windows of Memories in Mineral County*, 2010.

¹⁰ Ranson, Steve. "Gun Range Planned for Nevada Guard in Hawthorne." Nevada Appeal, August 8, 2022. Accessed August 27, 2025. <https://www.nevadaappeal.com/news/2022/aug/08/gun-range-planned-nevada-guard-hawthorne/>

¹¹ Richard Erdoes. *Saloons of the Old West*, 1979.

Other examples are cartoon like depictions of other cultures in architecture, like the Aztec Hotel in Monrovia, California, with its Mayan inspired concrete brick designs or the Egyptian Theatre in Hollywood, California, meant to look like a Pharaoh's tomb.

The one thing these structures had in common is they were meant to catch your eye and amuse. A popular programmatic trend was the faux log cabin design. An excerpt from the book *California Crazy and Beyond: Roadside Vernacular Architecture*, talks about this specific log cabin trend: "A theme which enjoyed great popularity throughout the U.S. was that of the frontier log cabin. One of the earliest of these in California was the circa 1911 Old Log Cabin refreshment stand in San Diego. Numerous variations on this theme were carried out in California in the 1920s and 1930s, including buildings in the form of a single tree trunk. In 1930 the log cabin was seized upon as an architectural style for a chain of small fast food restaurants, the White Log taverns. The first of these was built in Oakland, and by 1937 there were sixty-two of these fast-food restaurants located throughout California. The White Log Taverns, with their frames of steel sheathed in concrete logs, played off two sets of images - that of log cabin and that of the American Colonial Style. For a national image, this added up to the best of two worlds."¹²

The Log Cabin in Hawthorne is an excellent surviving example of this specific offshoot of programmatic architecture and the only surviving one in the state. To sum up why this architectural style is important could be found in *Learning from Las Vegas* - the essay praising the uniquely Nevada style novelty, that can be found inside and outside of Las Vegas. To quote the authors: "Irony may be the tool with which to confront and combine divergent values in architecture for a pluralist society and to accommodate the differences in values that arise between architects and clients. Social classes rarely come together, but if they can make temporary alliances in the designing and building of multivalued community architecture, a sense of paradox and some irony and wit will be needed on all sides."¹³

History of the Log Cabin

The Log Cabin opened its doors May 27th, 1949. It was run by a proprietor by the name of Stuart Higgins.¹⁴ Stuart Higgins was in the Navy during the Korean War.¹⁵¹⁶ In 1955, Higgins ran

¹² Jim Heimann. *California Crazy & Beyond: Roadside Vernacular Architecture*. 2001.

¹³ Robert Venturi, Denise Scott Brown, Steven Izenour. *Learning From Las Vegas*. 1972.

¹⁴ "Grand Opening," *Mineral County Independent*. May 25, 1949.

¹⁵ "Hawthorne Man Reenters Service," *Reno Evening Gazette*. April 17, 1951.

¹⁶ "Home on Leave," *Reno Evening Gazette*. August 13, 1951.

for Mayor of Hawthorne.¹⁷ The Log Cabin operated as a bar and saloon until the early 1970's when it was shuttered. In September of 1978, the building reopened as offices for a new newspaper in Mineral County called *The Times of Mineral County*, which called itself "The Only Offset Newspaper in Mineral County" - the official paper of the county being the *Mineral County Independent*. This newspaper ran from 1978 - 1984, and they used the Log Cabin as their office for the duration of this time.¹⁸ As well as being an office, it simultaneously ran as a stationary store for Hawthorne.¹⁹ When the newspaper folded in 1984, the building once again returned to being a bar, and that same year reopened as Sierra Station, the "Booze and Suds Emporium".²⁰ The building changed hands in the 2010's and briefly ran as The Dog House, before the interior accent roof, which was fastened to an interior roof truss, collapsed the inner part of the gable roof with it's weight. The building was shuttered by the county for many years and condemned.

Knowing the county's plans to demolish the Log Cabin, Andy Beach of Hawthorne purchased the building in 2022 from the county under the agreement that he would restore it.²¹ Beach rebuilt the interior truss that had failed and repaired the roof. He lifted the interior accent roof that had fallen and added a new much needed support beam. The bar reopened in 2023 as the Chooch's Log Cabin and is run by Mark "Chooch" Moreno. It operates Tuesday through Sunday and serves alcohol, has live bands play outdoors, and occasionally will have food trucks serving on the patio.

¹⁷ "Hawthorne Mayor Contest Assured," *Reno Evening Gazette*. March 28, 1955.

¹⁸ "New Paper Greet Residents," *The Times of Mineral County*, September 14, 1978.

¹⁹ "View of the Inside of Stationary Store in the Times Building," *The Times of Mineral County*, September 28, 1978.

²⁰ "Sierra Station" advertisement. *Mineral County Independent*. May 30, 1984.

²¹ Mineral County, Nevada. Records Office.

8. DESCRIPTION (select information that best describes exterior fabric, structural system, and roofing material)

Architectural Style or Type: roadside, programmatic

Materials Foundation: concrete, poured concrete
Walls: wood frame, simulated log
Roof: gabled, sloped, wood shingle, asphalt shingle
Windows: fixed single pane.
Other: 1940's prefabricated faux log cabin novelty siding

Narrative Description:

The Log Cabin is on E Street in Hawthorne, Nevada, which is also U.S. Highway 95, which was formerly known as the Sierra Highway. This is also the town's Main Street. The parcel sits in the middle of the block on the West side of the Highway between 6th Street and 7th Street. The entrance to the rectangular building faces the East side of the building, with the front door opening onto the public sidewalk. The South side of the building sits at the property line and borders another property, Gold Pan Alley, which is an office space. The North side of the building has a second entrance facing a fenced in outdoor patio. The patio is dirt with tables and chairs extends to the property line, reaching it's North neighboring building, currently a private residence. The West elevation of the Log Cabin is fenced off to the public and has an exit for employees with outdoor storage. The Log Cabin is on the same block as another historic building, The Cactus Theatre, which is currently on the Nevada State Register of Historic Places. It is also not far from other National Register of Historic Places buildings in Hawthorne, including the Mineral County Courthouse (NRIS 82003214), the Sixth Street School (NRIS 99001241) and the United Service Organization (USO) Building (NRIS 02000703).

The Log Cabin building sits at its original location on a concrete foundation and is constructed of wood. The shape of the building is a rectangle which sits horizontal on an East - West axis. The exterior wood build is covered with ornate 1940's faux log cabin siding that is painted maroon. The building has a gable roof with wood shingles on the front facing facade and asphalt shingles on the rest of the roof. Over the entrance on the East elevation, there is a decorative awning with cedar shakes. This awning is not historic and was added some time in the 1980's. There are two fixed single pane windows at this elevation of the Log Cabin. The West end of the building - the back which is fenced off for employees only - meets the rectangular shape of the front of the building and slopes downward. This was possibly an extension to the Log Cabin added at a later date. This could not be determined. This back addition to the Log Cabin is not a part of the public saloon, but an interior area used for employees. The side of the building also features a historic mural - signed only by someone named "WC" - of a buckaroo cowboy on a horse. This is permanently framed out with a wood frame cut into the log cabin siding. The South elevation of the building features a window, which looks out into the yard of Gold Pan Alley next door. The South side of the building also features a brick chimney that extends from an interior brick fireplace.

The interior of the Log Cabin is rectangular in shape with a gabled roof and historic visible wood trusses. There is an interior accent roof over the bar with cedar shakes. The accent roof is historic, but a downward slope was added later on - most likely in the 1980's and the shakes were added as an addition. This was most likely added on the same time the exterior roof addition was added. The walls on the interior are original 1940's tongue and groove Pickwick Pine wood paneling. This was a popular paneling in the 1940's, when the Log Cabin was built,²² and can be seen in many houses in Hawthorne. Behind the bar, there are original mirrors with carved decorative accents in each corner. The mirror in the middle of the bar reads "Log Cabin" in the middle. On the South wall, there is a historic brick fire place. There is a historic metal ventilation grate above the fireplace opening. There are also non historic tiles on the floor surrounding the fireplace. The floor of the Log Cabin is unremarkable. It is a concrete foundation, and an interior photo from 1978 shows the building was carpeted. The Log Cabin is also currently carpeted with a gray carpet.

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Robert Venturi, Denise Scott Brown, Steven Izenour. *Learning From Las Vegas*. 1972.

Richard Erdoes. *Saloons of the Old West*, 1979.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Acreeage of Property: _____ **0.1500** _____

Verbal Boundary Description: The nominated area includes the whole 0.1500-acre property with parcel number 001-134-17, described as follows: LOT 4, S 1/2 LOT 5, BLOCK 54 HAWTHORNE, as shown on the Official Plat of the Town of Hawthorne.

Boundary Justification: This boundary includes the entirety of the building's blueprint, as well as an outdoor seating area, consisting of the entire parcel on which the building rests.

Geo-Referenced Location. _____ **11S 358384mE 4265278mN** _____

²² Kueber, Pam. "Pickwick Pine Paneling - the Most Popular Knotty Pine Pattern in Midcentury America?". *Retro Renovation*. Accessed August 27, 2025. <https://retrorenovation.com/2014/05/19/pickwick-pine-paneling-3/>

Source and method of UTM's: earthpoint.us accessed August 20, 2025

11. FORM PREPARED BY

Name/Title: Kansas Bowling
Organization: Old Glory Theatre Co.
Address: 405 6th Street
City or Town: Hawthorne State: NV Zip: 89415
Telephone Number: 310-745-3983 E-mail: info@oldgloryhawthorne.com
Date: 08/20/2025

12. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

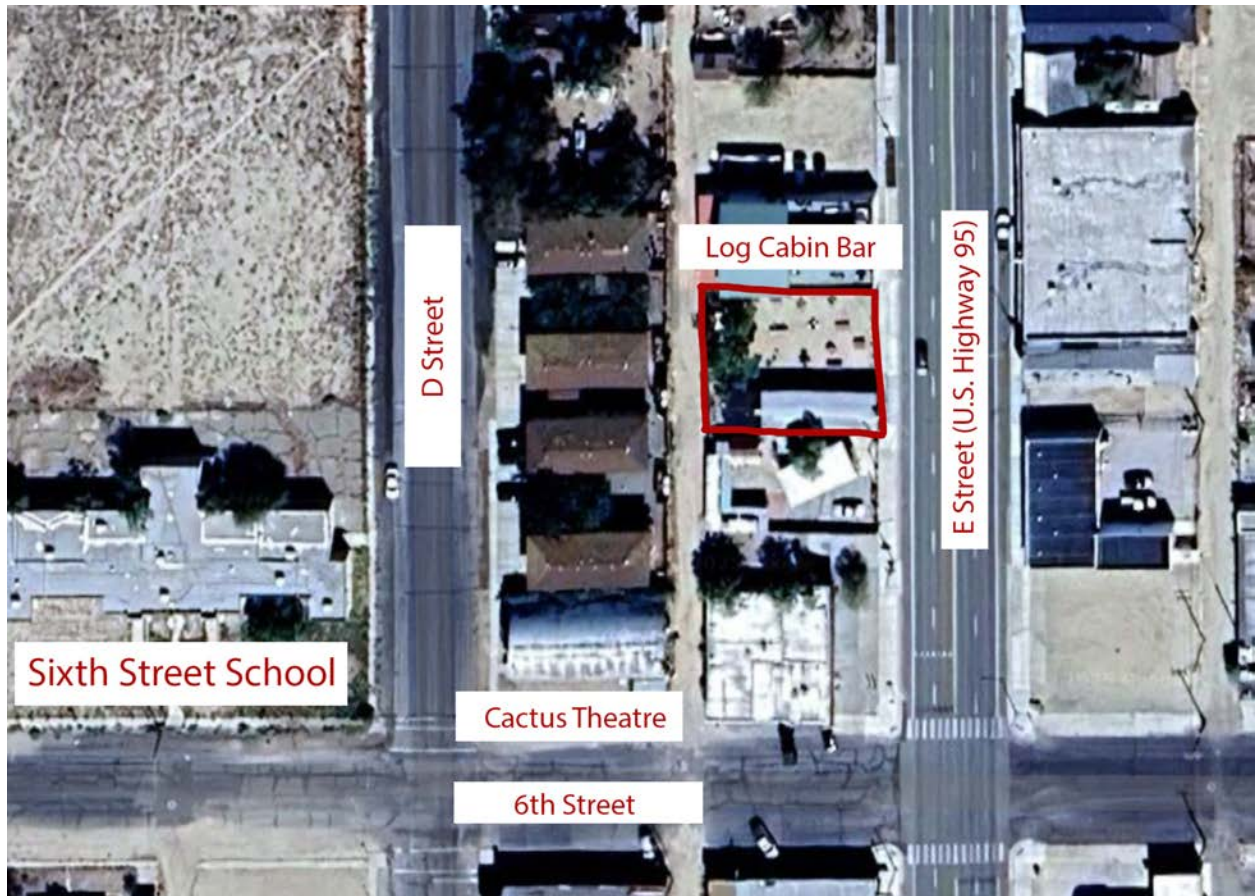


Figure 1. The block where the Log Cabin sits is bounded by E Street to the East, 6th Street to the South, D Street to the West and 7th Street to the north. The block is bisected by a north to south alley at the rear of the building. It is near the historically recognized Cactus Theatre and Sixth Street School.

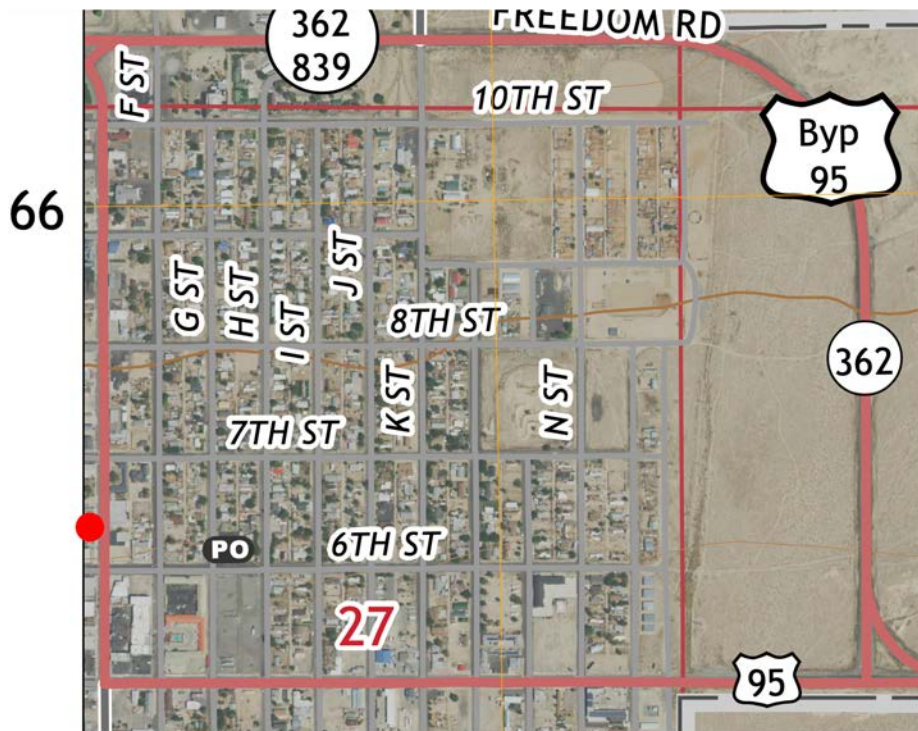


Figure 2 and 3. The Log Cabin is located at the red dot.

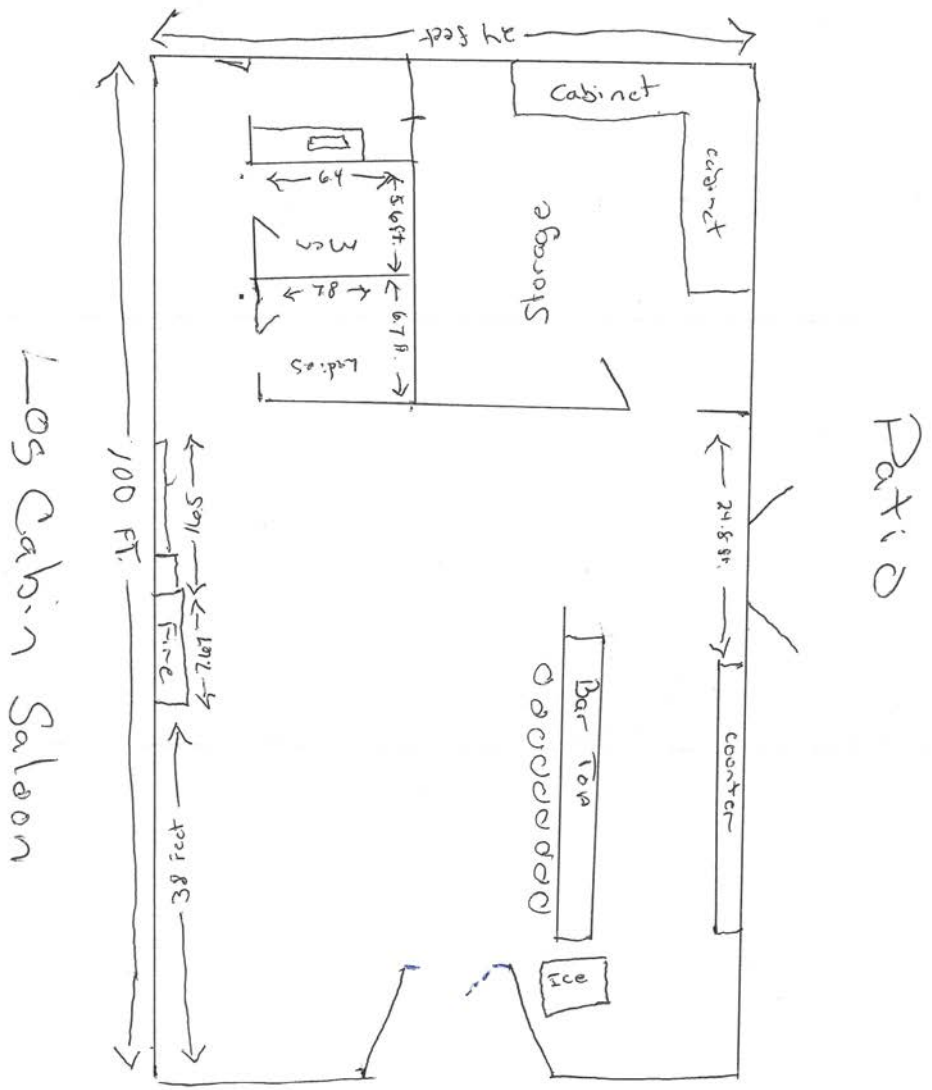


Figure 4. Hand drawn blue print of the Log Cabin with dimensions.

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633 E Street

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Figure 5. "Grand Opening," *Mineral County Independent*, May 25, 1949. Photo shows the log siding, board and batten gable, recessed entry with plank door and flanking windows. The "Log Cabin" neon tubing is above the door.

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Hawthorne Man Reenters Service

HAWTHORNE, April 17. —
Stuart S. Higgins, owner and op-
erator of the Log Cabin cocktail
lounge in Hawthorne, left Wednes-
day for Treasure Island, to re-
enter naval service as a gunner's
mate, second class.

Mr. Higgins, who served a
"hitch" in the navy in the early
thirties and again during world
war II has been called back to
duty as a member of the naval re-
serve. During his absence his
business will be managed by Mrs.
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NO CONSTIPATION

Figure 6. "Hawthorne Man Reenters Service," *Reno Evening Gazette*, April 17, 1951.

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HOME ON LEAVE

HAWTHORNE, Aug. 11—Stuart S. Higgins arrived Saturday from San Diego to visit his wife and son in Hawthorne this week. Mr. Hig-^Ngins, owner of the Log Cabin bar in Hawthorne, was called back to active duty with the navy early this year. He will report back to his destroyer at Mare Island the fore part of next week.

Most species of sturgeon enter fresh water only to spawn.



Figure 7. "Home on Leave," *Reno Evening Gazette*, August 13, 1951.

March 28, 1955

RENO EVENING GAZETTE—7

Hawthorne Mayor Contest Assured

Assuring a contest for the office of mayor of Hawthorne at the municipal election May 3, three candidates have filed for the top position, but to date there have been no filings for the three positions on the city council.

Seeking the office of Hawthorne mayor are Ruth C. England, Stuart Higgins and Harold Wright. Mrs. England is associated with her husband in the

operation of an auto supply store. Higgins is the owner and operator of the Log Cabin bar. Wright is a carpenter and present councilman for the Third ward.

Mayor Maurice Adams who is completing a two year term to which he was elected in 1953 has indicated to friends that he will not be a candidate for re-election.

Eddie Aldaz

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Figure 8. "Hawthorne Mayor Contest Assured," *Reno Evening Gazette*, March 28, 1955.

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Figure 9. Log Cabin Advertisement, *The Mason Valley News*, February 8, 1957.

Gabbs Celebrates A Picnic

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Hawthorne, Nevada 89415

The **TIMES** of
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The Only Offset Newspaper
In Mineral County

THURSDAY,
SEPTEMBER 14, 1978
NO. 1
VOL. I.

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HAWTHORNE, NEVADA

New Paper Greet Residents

Staff and Stockholders Pictured With Times Building

First Edition Hits Streets



FRED S. COOK



EARL KANADY



DON TIPPIN



JIM SCOTT



JIM FAIRFIELD



JANE WILSON



FRED INMAN



DON SEEVERS



CHUCK LYNCH



JO GOMES

The first edition of "The TIMES of Mineral County" came off the press on September 14, 1978 and is the first offset newspaper to be published in MINERAL County. In essence this means that through this method of production they are able to avail themselves of a large use of photographs.

The TIMES is owned by a local corporation, made up of seven local businessmen and residents. They are Jo Gomez, president; Don Seever, vice-president; Jim Fairfield, secretary-treasurer; Don Tiffin; Jim Scott; Chuck Lynch and Fred Inman.

Editor of the new publication is Fred S. Cook, who moved here from the Pahrump Valley in southern Nevada. Cook, a veteran newspaperman, has spent nearly a half-century working for daily and weekly newspapers in all capacities. He has been an editor, reporter, feature writer, linotype operator, printer, advertising manager and salesman. During World War II he served with the Royal Canadian Air Force, before the United States entered the fray; then with the U.S. Army Air Force and, after his discharge from the latter, sailed as a pilot officer in the Merchant Marine until 1948.

Cook has been married twice, his first wife being Blanca Islas Garcia of Mexico City whom he met when he was assistant to the publisher with a large Mexico magazine publisher; his second wife was Mirzi Mayfair, the former Broadway and Motion Picture dancing star. They were divorced several years ago.

Cook also is noted as an authority on western history and has published about 100 books on the subject. His more recent works are a four volume series on Western Oil; and Historic Legends of Inyo County, (California).

At present he is, in addition to editing the TIMES, putting finishing touches on two books, "Historic Legends of Nye County" and "Historic Legends of Mineral County." Both are expected to be off the presses this fall.

Advertising manager, reporter and photographer will be Earl Kanady, a resident of Hawthorne for the past three years. He retired from the U.S. Army after he worked on several newspapers.

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T.V. Schedules Inside

Figure 10. "New Paper Greet Residents," *The Times of Mineral County*, September 14, 1978. The wood plank door has been replaced by a commercial metal glass door. The neon sign has been removed. The chimney for the fireplace is above at left.

First Edition

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newspapers as editor, reporter, artist and photographer. He is post adjutant of the local American Legion Post.

Office manager is Jane Wilson who, although she has no newspaper background, will work as Compugraphic operator, book keeper and general girl Friday in the Times office at 633 Sierra Way (formerly the Log Cabin Bar). Jane will be assisted by Viola Anne Best in setting type on the Compugraphic and laying out the newspaper.

Correspondents in outlying areas will be Grace La Cruze, a long time resident of Luning, who will cover that area; Theora Jackson who will gather news and photos in the Mina region, Claudia Fairbanks in Gabbs and Deyna Puckett who will double in brass in covering the Walker Lake area and also write the High School news; Ed Johnson will cover Schurz.

All correspondents will also handle subscriptions, classified and display advertising in their areas.

In addition to publishing a weekly newspaper the TIMES will have a complete store for business equipment and supplies in their office in Hawthorne; will be able to provide all kinds of commercial printing including such items as letterheads, envelopes, statements, multiple forms, book matches, calenders, etc. One week delivery service is expected in most cases.

The TIMES will also go into

book publishing specializing in short run editions of histories, biographies, cook books, club, church and school publications, etc. This is a field in which Cook has had a great deal of experience. Assistance will be given in editing, makeup and marketing these books.

The TIMES will be non-political in nature and will open its columns to all. Precedence in news coverage will be given to local names, sporting events, church affairs, club and organization activities, weddings, new residents and other items of strictly local interest. A stress on photography is evident and all readers who feel that they know of something or someone of interest is urged to call the TIMES and a photographer will take the picture. This is especially true of weddings, club installations, etc.

The TIMES is an offset news paper, the first in Mineral County. This is a type of printing now being used by virtually every newspaper in the United States. Also known as "cold type" it provides clearer reproduction than the old-fashioned, archaic system of "Hot type" or linotypes. This latter involved the slow and costly use of engraving before a photograph could be used. By the offset method pictures can be immediately reproduced.

The type of the TIMES will be set on a Compugraphic Junior which is a electronic typesetting machine. Large type will be set on a Strip-printer which also works on the photographic principle. The TIMES will avail itself of the latest in reproduction art services

to illustrate ads and articles well as job printing.

The layout of the newspaper will be done in the TIMES at 633 Sierra Way in Hawthorne but the actual press work will be performed on the rotary presses of the Eagle Standard. This method is customary as the cost of purchasing and operating a rotary offset press is quite prohibitive. A weekly newspaper such as the TIMES probably only utilize the rotary about three hours a week.

Circulation of the TIMES will be by mail circulation and newstand sales. The newspaper, beginning with the first edition, will be mailed without charge to all residents of the county. After that it will be available by mail at a subscription rate of \$10.00 per year. Subscriptions will be the edition immediately following the free circulation. There is no additional charge for delivery in the county or out of state.

The TIMES will have a classified section called "Local Ads" which means that anyone can advertise and use up to two lines to describe it, for a flat fee of \$1.00 per ad.

Everyone is invited to call the offices of the TIMES at 633 Sierra Highway in Hawthorne for news items, cl

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Figure 11. "New Paper Greet Residents," *The Times of Mineral County*, September 14, 1978. Article continued.

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Circulation of the TIMES will be by mail circulation and by newstand sales. The first four editions, beginning with this one, will be mailed without charge to all residents of the county and to Gabbs. After that it will be available by mail at an annual subscription rate of \$7.00 per year. Subscriptions will start with the edition immediately following the free circulation. There is no additional charge for out of county or out of state subscriptions.

The TIMES will also have a classified section called the "Dollar Ads" which means that anyone can advertise anything legal and use up to twenty words to describe it, for a flat rate of \$1.00 per ad.

Everyone is invited to visit the offices of the TIMES at 633 Sierra Highway in Hawthorne and bring in news items, classified ads or

Motorcyclist Killed

On Saturday afternoon a Harley Davidson motorcycle driven by Joseph Mari, 22, collided with an automobile driven by Albertini Rodi. Mari was heading north of State Route 31 when his motorcycle went off the right side of the road. He lost control of the vehicle as he tried to get it back onto the black-topped surface and it plunged across the center line, going down on its side and striking the Rodi car. Nevada State Highway Patrolman Bill Shirley, who investigated the accident, said he was uncertain whether or not Mari laid the bike down or if it went over as he fought to regain control of it.

Mari, of Mariposa, California, was killed instantly as the bike skidded under the Rodi vehicle. The Rodis, owners of the Sweetwater Ranch, were headed south to check out a section of the ranch.

DRAWING POSTPONED

The Miners and Prospectors of Mineral County have postponed their drawing until the next regular meeting scheduled for October 5.

subscriptions - or just to say "Hello". Those living in outlying areas may contact their local representatives listed earlier in this story or contained in the editorial box inside.

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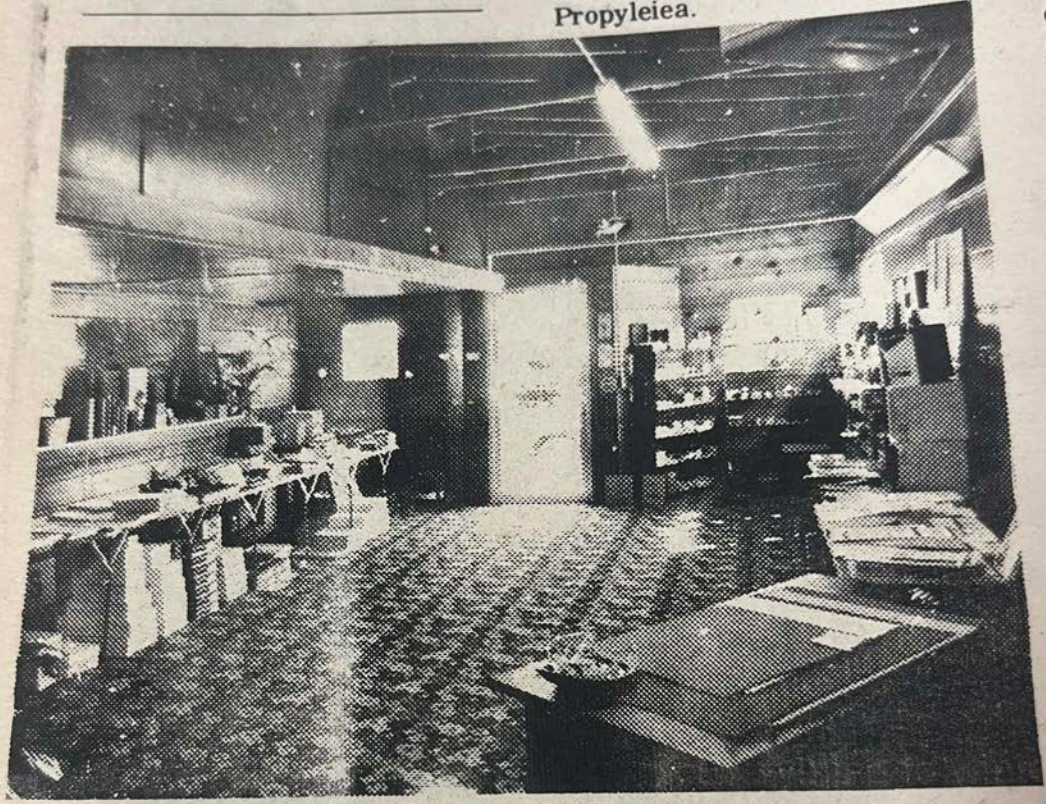
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**View of Inside of Stationary
 Store in Times Building**

The newly installed office equipment and supply store of the Times, at 633 Sierra Way, is now stocked and open to the public. A wide variety of goods has been provided by the Sierra

Office Supply of Bishop, Calif., and ranges from desks to paper clips. Any item desired and not immediately in stock may be ordered and delivery will be made within a few days.

Figure 13. "View of Inside of Stationary Store in Times Building," *The Times of Mineral County*, September 28, 1978. Note the bar counter was retained, and added folding tables provided additional counter space. Also, the original bar overhead and wood pine interior paneling.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 1984

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**SCHOOL BOARD
MEETS MONDAY**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mineral County School District will be held on

Monday, June 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the school administration office. The meeting is open to the public and a copy of the agenda is available at the superintendent's office.

SIERRA STATION

"Booze and Suds Emporium"

Ladies Night - - Thursday

All Ladies Drinks 1/2 price - - 7-9 p.m.

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Figure 14. "Sierra Station," *Mineral County Independent*, May 30, 1984



Figure 15. West elevation

Kansas Bowling, 2024

Original log siding, board and batten gable, recessed entry and flanking windows still present. Entry door has been replaced, and ridge sign and front awning added at an unknown date but likely the 1980s while the bar was the Sierra Station. Compare this view to the 1949 view in Figure 4 and 1978 view in Figure 5.



Figure 16. South elevation

Kansas Bowling, 2024

Original siding, and fireplace chimney. Awning added at window at an unknown date.



Figure 17. North elevation

Kansas Bowling, 2024

Original log siding. Bucking bronco and cowboy mural by WC added at an unknown date.
Canvas awning above door at side patio.



Figure 18. North elevation

Kansas Bowling, 2025

Original Log Cabin bar at left, with rear addition at right. The rear addition is covered with asphalt shingles and has a single window with iron bars. The outdoor patio is in the foreground.



Figure 19. Detail on historic mural, signed "WC"

Kansas Bowling, 2024

North elevation with detail of wood framed bucking bronco and cowboy mural. The unknown artist signed their work with WC on the horse's flank.



Figure 20. View of the accent roof addition and 1980's Sierra Station sign.
Kansas Bowling, 2024



Figure 21. Interior facing East

Kansas Bowling, 2024

Facing East towards the rear of the bar. The opening at left leads to the rear hall and restrooms. The closed door leads to the staff area. Walls are sheathed in wood ship lap siding with a glossy lacquer finish. Exposed wood trusses are painted brown and the exposed roof decking material is stained. Floor is painted concrete.



Figure 22. Interior facing West
Kansas Bowling, 2024

Bar counter is at left. This was removed in 1978 but restored to its original location.



Figure 23. Interior facing East
Kansas Bowling, 2024

The lower portion of the south fireplace wall has wood T&G wainscoting, while the upper portion is wood ship lapped.



Figure 24. View of bar and interior accent roof
Kansas Bowling, 2024
Accent roof is covered in wood shingles.



Figure 25. Fireplace on south wall

Kansas Bowling, 2025

Original brick fireplace with wood mantel and metal grill and new tiled hearth. The fireplace is functional today.



Figure 26. Details on historic mirrors
Kansas Bowling, 2024
Etched scroll details on the historic 1949 bar back mirror.



Figure 27. Detail on historic mirror.

Kansas Bowling, 2025

The full etching on the original 1949 bar back mirror reads “LOG CABIN”, but “CABIN” is currently covered by a television screen.