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## THE WEEK AHEAD



People attend the Best in the West Nugget Rib Cook-Off in Sparks on Aug. 31, 2019. JASON BEAN/RGJ

# Ribs, Aces, concerts

## 22 things to do in Reno-Tahoe through Labor Day

Brett McGinness Reno Gazette Journal | USA TODAY NETWORK

The signs of fall are here. The Lake Tahoe Shakespeare Festival is done, food truck rallies are wrapping up the summer season and overnight temperatures around Lake Tahoe soon will start with the number 3.

But some of the region's favorite late-summer events are here — including the Best in the West Nugget Rib Cook Off, which begins on Wednesday. There's also high school football, shows by Tiffany Haddish, Modest Mouse and Dave Matthews and more in the next few days.

Here's a look at what's on the agenda through

Labor Day in northwestern Nevada.

### Reno-Tahoe events, Aug. 25-Sept. 1

**Burning Man, Aug. 24-Sept. 1:** The global art and counterculture phenomenon is taking place this week in the Black Rock Desert, with the burning of The Man set for Saturday night. Tickets are still available starting at \$550 per person. For details, visit [here.burningman.org](http://here.burningman.org).

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Nevada's new Employee Savings Trust program aims to help more workers build retirement savings and enjoy financial security later in life. GETTY IMAGES

# State launches IRA saving program

NEST meant for workers whose employers don't offer retirement plan

April Corbin Girnus Nevada Current

Tens of thousands of Nevadans will soon have an easier way to save for retirement, thanks to a newly launched program by the state.

The Nevada Employee Savings Trust, or NEST, launched on July 1. Through the program, Nevadans who do not have access to retirement plans through their private-sector employers will be automatically enrolled in an Individual Retirement Account and can contribute to it a certain amount (or percentage) of each paycheck.

Employees have the ability to opt out of the program, but according to the Nevada State Treasurer's Office, which administers NEST, approximately 20,500 people have already been enrolled.

That number is expected to rise. By Sept. 1, businesses with six or more employees will be required to either offer their own retirement plan or enroll their employees into NEST, according to Nevada Current.

"I think this is going to help tens of thousands, maybe hundreds of thousands, of Nevadans be in a better place," said Nevada State Treasurer Zach Conine.

An estimated 593,000 Nevadans lack easy access to a retirement account, according to AARP. Nationally, 1 in 4 adults have no retirement savings at all, according to the American Retirement Association.

It's estimated more than 40% of small businesses nationwide do not

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# Maxwell defends Epstein to DOJ

## Says she never witnessed inappropriate behavior

Aysha Bagchi USA TODAY

There were no bombshells in newly released transcripts and audio files from the Justice Department's July interviews with convicted sex offender and Jeffrey Epstein associate Ghislaine Maxwell.

The department touted the interviews as part of its effort to increase transparency regarding disgraced financier Epstein.

The materials released Aug. 22 probably won't satisfy people who insist Epstein maintained a list of powerful clients who participated in a sex trafficking ring as he rubbed shoulders with some of the world's most rich and powerful men. The Trump administration has faced outrage from members of President Donald Trump's base for refusing to release its files on Epstein. Several people in Trump's inner circle had promoted Epstein-related conspiracy theories for years.

According to the hundreds of pages of redacted transcripts and handful of audio clips, Maxwell said she never saw any

man in Epstein's orbit acting inappropriately with a woman.

"I never, ever saw any man doing something inappropriate with a woman of any age," Maxwell told Deputy Attorney General Todd Blanche, a former defense lawyer to Trump who handled the interviews personally.

Maxwell is serving a 20-year prison sentence for sex trafficking a minor to Epstein and other sex crimes. Soon after giving the interviews in late July, she was transferred to a minimum-security prison camp in Texas.

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