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Photograph of Black Rock City from 1800', taken Thursday morning from a Cessna 172 airplane that took off from Black Rock City Airport.

SUPPOSE WE ARE BUTTERFLIES

ZIGGY

It's easy to find the "Que Viva" Camp, decorated with bright butterfly wings and colored Oaxacan paper cuttings. It's on Rod's Road, just right of the Portal to the Inner Circle. The theme of the camp is "natural migration," symbolized by the Monarch butterfly that migrates yearly from the northern U.S. to Oaxaca in southern Mexico. Feeding and pollinating in the U.S. during the warm season and returning to Mexico to breed during the winter, the Monarchs demonstrate how the life of a species may depend on free migration.

By the time you read this, the Que Viva camp will have gifted a hundred pairs of butterfly wings to Burners inspired to acquire a pair. Favianna Rodriguez, the artistic director for the camp, chose the butterfly symbol to remind us

that migration is a natural, essential activity for people as well as wildlife. She speaks with earnest passion about the harsh U.S. deportation system that is pushing a thousand people a day out of the land of the free. Rodriguez was born in Oakland of Peruvian

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parents. She spoke of the deep insecurity that children and parents suffer when they are citizens of different nations and can suddenly

be subjected to traumatic separation. The human toll of blocking natural migration that follows the seasons of natural growth is a political situation that Favianna feels a responsibility to try and change by sharing knowledge with the Burner community.

I asked Favianna how Burner ideals help us relate to the needs of migrant peoples. "Radical

inclusion," she answered, "means including the most oppressed of our community. A lot of folks are open here, and art is a tool for re-thinking — so they can see the immigration issue through a new lens." Favianna also notes that Burners endure the heat and dust of BRC to participate in their community and, thus, can relate on a physical level with how migrants crossing the Sonora desert bear harsher conditions to maintain their families.

When asked what other Burner principles shed light on the migrant situation, one of Favianna's collaborators on the project, Brooke Oliver, offered three: "Decommodification, Communal Effort and Self-Reliance!" She then returned to setting up a push-button videorecording booth where Burners are invited to come and tell their migration story. Oliver serves as non-profit

counsel to Burning Man and has been a solid participant in developing the camp — but now it's showtime, and some equipment needs to be kluged together, so that's her focus. The videorecording booth will be open from 10 am to Noon. If you have a story to put on the record, Favianna and her fellow Que Viva Campers invite you to come by and share it. Burners who gift Que Viva with their migration stories receive a beautiful BRC Permanent Resident card, handcrafted of embossed copper by Cathy Bonner and Greg Hudson. After dark, the Que Viva Camp screens videos of migration stories.

Necessary dreams take shape on the Playa, in defiance of convention. Who knows? If we dream it big enough, maybe we could treat people as decently as we treat butterflies. 🦋

Such A Lovely Place: Welcome to Library California

REDNIKKI

Need a good read on the Playa? Look no further than the Library California, a three-shelf



yellow bookcase located this year under a palm tree at 5:00 and De-siderata in Hushville. The library, a Burning Man fixture since 2007, provides hundreds of books to Burners. The rules of Library California are simple: "You can check out any book you like, but you can never bring it back."

Idaho and Sarah started the project in 2007, mostly as a way to get rid of a few unwanted books. Burners embraced the library, and the next year Sarah and Idaho brought their campmate Barbara into the project. Sarah and Idaho have missed the past two Burns, but Bar-

bara has maintained the tradition as the project has expanded every year. It now features a "reading room" with overstuffed couches where patrons can curl up with a good book.

As the Library California has continued, it has grown into a community project. The librarians (none of whom are default world librarians) get book donations through the year from family and friends. Though they are not librarians, they are avid readers and are happy to recommend books to Burners.

The Library California has also expanded the genres it provides. It features popular fiction, history, nonfiction, science fiction and fantasy, mysteries, poetry, cookbooks, romances, and, given

that it is located near Kidsville, children's books. As books are adopted by passing Burners, the librarians add new books to the shelves. Barbara says that every year she tries to think of what people will want to read on the Playa as she compiles books, "but people seem to like everything."

In 2012, the Library California ran into an unexpected problem: it was so popular that it ran out of books on Tuesday. Barbara expected that she would need to close up shop, but, to her surprise, Burners throughout Black Rock City stepped up to the plate, donating enough books to keep the Library running until Saturday.

Playa Gourmet Weekend Eats, Treats and Sweets

RINGO FIREFLY

Camp Smorgasm (3:15 & H)
Served nightly near sundown

Bringing camping tradition to the dusty playground, these folks are offering a smorgasboard of s'mores. Stop by to enjoy spongy raspberry, key lime, and blueberry delights sandwiched between graham cracker tasties. Land a bullseye at the 'Shaft and Scroat' dartboard for an additional fire-side treat.

Buddha Camp at the Lotus Dome (4:45 & F) - Friday 5:00-6:00pm

Grab a buddy for a bacon bloody served up with local vodka from the Black Rock Distillery. Can't get enough of the bacon-ey goodstuff? Join the 'Strip for Stripoff' where you'll be rewarded kindly with a fresh piece of the meatjoy for a full stripdown into your unspeakables. Don't eat meat? No fret, strip yourself to the front of the queue for a vegan bloody option.

Fresh Orgasmic Fruit & Veggie Bar (venture southbound past the 3:00 plaza by daylight from now through Sunday)

After the long week of surviving off of freeze-dried mac and cheese beneath the godless sun, treat yourself to one of the last playa operatives still serving fresh farm fruits and veggies. These organic produce stewards are offering over 2700 lbs. of lovingly-tended California-grown roughage that have been delivered fresh throughout the week. Pickled items and sauerkraut are available. Your body will kindly reward you with gratuitous gushing from your head to your toe parts.

Champagne Lounge (7:15 & Rod's Road) - Saturday 12:00-3:00pm

As the week wanes, stop in to raise your powdered playa mug to the man's demise and your official "Toast of Denial" to the near-end of your dusty tale. You'll enjoy a spot of the bubbly and pink lemonade party-dropper vodka shots. These awfully nice humans intend to go home empty-handed, so make certain to swing by for a swig and to join in on the fizztivities. You damn well deserve it, and who doesn't enjoy anything with 16 atmospheres of pressure that sparkles? 🦋

Wednesday morning the Librarians awoke to discover they'd been pranked: the entire contents of the Library were abducted and replaced by the works of Sydney Sheldon and Danielle Steele. Barbara says, "Whoever did that is welcome to come and take them back!" 🦋



A view from below the Man

MAN BURN TO BE OUT OF THIS WORLD

RHINO WITH OMA

For 2013, burning the Man completes an event that is out of this world. Inside the Man is a piece of an actual meteorite that fell in China in 1516. Procured by Man artist Haggis, it was installed in a special core 40 feet from the base of the Man.

This 300-gram fragment is from the Nantan Meteorite. It left a trail of fragments 13 miles wide by 30 miles long. Observed falling by Chinese astronomers, it was described as "snakes and dragons of fire." It contains 94% iron, 5% nickel, and small percentages of other elements, including iridium.

Larry Harvey was heard to comment on this unique installa-

tion: "This piece of stardust, this alien rock, has not completed its journey quite yet... its journey started billions of years ago and trillions of miles away, and needs to complete its last 40 feet of freefall." 🐷

ALMANAC

Friday • August 30

Sunset • 7:34 P.M.
Twilight ends • 8:02 P.M.
Moonrise • 1:56 A.M. (Sat)

Saturday • August 31
International Bacon Day

The moon will be in the sky at dawn.

First light • 5:55 A.M.
Sunrise • 6:23 A.M.
Sunset • 7:32 P.M.
Twilight ends • 8:00 P.M.
Moonrise • 2:50 A.M. (Sun)

Sunday • September 1

The moon will be in the sky at dawn.

First light • 5:56 A.M.
Sunrise • 6:24 A.M.

Courtesy www.SunriseSunset.com



Mike Garlington's Photochapel

Enlivened 4 Real

NICO

The whole point of going on adventures is to take photos and tell your friends about it, right? There's no other point to this craziness... Wait, WHAT?!

So I'm heading out to deep playa to take these photos. I've already got some of me in deep moments at the temple and me rocking out in art cars — and, now, I'm on the search for a vantage point looking back at the city to get my next gem. Ahead of me is a set of stairs leading to a golden thumbs-up — great! I'm stopped by a clergyman who puts me through some ceremonies with all of this reverence. He asks me if I want to Like 4 Real. Sure. And

On Tuesday, a woman fractured her neck falling from a trampoline, requiring transport to a hospital in Reno.

Rampart has treated multiple broken limbs during the event. The vast majority are treated on-Playa, as Rampart has an X-ray machine as well as cast and splinting facilities. Those patients are then released back to the event. Patients with broken limbs are transported to Reno only if they require surgery.

Rampart reports that while the first two days of Burning Man have been busy, the number of patients has since leveled off. BLM Rangers appear to be friendlier this year, passing out water and Gatorade, especially at dance camps like Robot Heart. 🐷

LEAVE NO TRACE TIPS

- Pick up a piece of moop when you pick up your bike.
- If you see moop on the ground, it becomes yours; pick it up.
- You don't have to pick up every piece of moop, just the ones you notice. 🐷

then, I'll get that photo. Next, a strange thing happens. I feel this... joy, I guess, yes, a feeling of joy is what it is. A golden glow of enlivenment flows through me, and I don't even feel compelled to take a single photo.

The temple of enlivenment is an art piece by Dadara, who previously ran the spiritual karma Laundromat. There is a conceptual crossover between the two, both provoking thought on the state and potentials of humanity and its technologies. Money is something most of us use... "it has the capacity to unite us, but instead it has divided us," Dadara explained.

Similar to this, online likes are something which an increasing number of us share in common

and a technology with a range of potentials. The temple of enlivenment encourages us to think about the function of expressing that we like something someone else is doing, and how the like button has the potential to make that expression a commodity and essentially hollow.

As I walk away from the thumbs-up, the golden glow continues, and I see a man in a fish helmet peddling madly toward some distant excitement. "I like your helmet!" I yell.

He glides along and smiles back, thumb extended into the sky above. 🐷

BRAINTEASERS BY DURGY

Circle these words in the grid: Airport, Airstrip, Biggie Size, Consumer, Desiderata, Esplanade, Extra, False Idol, GDP, Holy, Inner Circle, Interstellar, John Frum, Korwtow, Laissez Faire, Like, Magic, Narwhal, Rod's Road, Terrestrial, Walk in Camping. The leftover letters form an oft-used Burning Man word.

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Police & Medical Blotter

REDNIKKI

Thanks to the Bureau of Land Management, the Pershing County Sheriff's Office, and Rampart for the following information.

Officers arrested a Burner for open and gross lewdness on Tuesday night. He grabbed a woman without her permission and ground his erect penis into her clothed buttocks.

On Wednesday evening, some Burners intervened as another Burner damaged art projects at 3:30 and Esplanade. He reacted extremely aggressively to being confronted. The Bureau of Land

Management intervened and ejected him from the event for causing a disturbance and for destruction of property.

Officers made an arrest pursuant to a domestic disturbance on Tuesday; an additional domestic disturbance remains under investigation.

As of Thursday morning, there have been no fatalities at Burning Man.

The Coyote is closed for climbing due to the many injuries from Burners falling off of the sculpture. That hasn't stopped Burners, however, who have been ignoring the sign, climbing it anyway, and winding up as patients in Rampart.

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