



**Established in 1920 by  
Charles and Stella Brown  
Death Valley Pioneers**



# Desert Mornings

Egg entrees served with hash brown potatoes and toast  
Served 8 am to 11 am

<b>Ham &amp; Cheese Omelette</b> .....	<b>11.65</b>	<b>Quick Start</b> .....	<b>10.95</b>
Three country fresh eggs lightly whipped, with cheddar jack cheese.		Two light and fluffy buttermilk pancakes and two eggs.	
<b>Spanish Omelette</b> .....	<b>10.95</b>	<b>The Prospector</b> .....	<b>11.75</b>
Three country fresh eggs, cheese, onions, tomatoes & olives topped with fresh salsa.		Two light and fluffy buttermilk pancakes one egg and breakfast ham.	
<b>Cheese Omelette</b> .....	<b>11.50</b>	<b>Two Eggs</b> .....	<b>10.25</b>
Three country fresh eggs lightly whipped, with cheddar jack cheese.		Two eggs cooked to order.	
<b>California Omelette</b> .....	<b>13.95</b>	<b>Two Eggs Plus</b> .....	<b>10.95</b>
Three country fresh eggs, avocado, bacon, sour cream, Swiss cheese & American cheese.		Your choice of bacon, sausage or ham.	
<b>Western Omelette</b> .....	<b>11.65</b>	<b>Shoshone Special</b> .....	<b>10.45</b>
Three country fresh eggs, ham, onions, and bell peppers.		One egg & two slices of bacon.	
<b>Chili &amp; Cheese Omelette</b> .....	<b>11.75</b>	<b>French Toast</b> .....	<b>10.75</b>
Three country fresh eggs topped with our chili & cheese.		Three pieces of Texas toast dipped in a delicious egg batter with a hint of vanilla.	
<b>Fruit Pancakes</b> .....	<b>11.25</b>	<b>Biscuits and Gravy</b> .....	<b>10.95</b>
Two light and fluffy buttermilk pancakes smothered with fruit.		Two fresh buttermilk biscuits smothered in a tasty sausage gravy.	
<b>The Stack</b> .....	<b>10.75</b>	<b>Short Stack</b> .....	<b>8.75</b>
Three light and fluffy buttermilk pancakes.		Two light and fluffy buttermilk pancakes.	
<b>Hash Browns</b> .....	<b>5.50</b>	<b>Ham</b> .....	<b>5.75</b>
<b>Sausage</b> .....	<b>5.75</b>	<b>Bacon</b> .....	<b>5.75</b>
<b>Steaming Hot Oatmeal</b> .....	<b>6.75</b>	<b>Granola &amp; Yogurt</b> .....	<b>8.25</b>
<b>Bagel &amp; Cream Cheese</b> .....	<b>5.75</b>	<b>Bowl of Granola</b> .....	<b>5.25</b>
<b>Toast and Jelly</b> .....	<b>4.50</b>	<b>Yogurt</b> .....	<b>3.50</b>

# High Noon

Sandwiches served with french fries, potato salad or coleslaw  
Served 11 am to close

<b>Hamburger</b> .....	<b>13.95</b>	<b>Sunshine</b> .....	<b>11.45</b>
Organic beef patty with lettuce, tomato, onion, pickles on a sesame seed bun.		Two cheeses melted on your choice of toasted bread.	
<b>Cheeseburger</b> .....	<b>14.50</b>	<b>Reuben</b> .....	<b>14.95</b>
All the fixin's on an organic burger topped with cheese.		Lean corned beef sliced thin, grilled with sauerkraut and swiss cheese on rye toast.	
<b>Grilled Ham &amp; Cheese</b> .....	<b>12.95</b>	<b>Patty Melt</b> .....	<b>14.95</b>
Ham slices grilled between two cheeses on your choice of bread.		Organic beef patty, grilled onion and swiss cheese on rye bread.	
<b>Ortega Burger</b> .....	<b>14.95</b>	<b>Miners Mainstay</b> .....	<b>14.85</b>
A zesty ortega chili grilled, on an organic beef patty with swiss cheese, lettuce, tomato, onion and pickles.		Delicious tender beef sauteed with onions, assorted bell peppers and cheese.	
<b>Club Burger</b> .....	<b>14.95</b>	<b>Club Sandwich</b> .....	<b>14.95</b>
We stack bacon, swiss cheese, and avocado on an organic beef patty.		Bacon, ham, turkey & swiss cheese on a croissant. Yum!	
<b>Garden Burger</b> .....	<b>13.95</b>	<b>Turkey</b> .....	<b>12.95</b>
A delicious blend of mushroom, onion, whole grains & cheeses topped with salad greens & avocado.		Fresh roasted turkey served with tomatoes on a choice of wheat, sourdough or rye.	
<b>B.L.T.</b> .....	<b>12.95</b>	<b>Chili Size</b> .....	<b>14.85</b>
Bacon, lettuce and tomato on your choice of sourdough or wheat breads.		Organic beef patty smothered with our famous rattlesnake chili, cheese and onions	
<b>Chicken Breast Sandwich</b> .....	<b>13.65</b>	<b>Turkey Burger</b> .....	<b>12.95</b>
Boneless grilled chicken breast, swiss cheese, lettuce, tomato, onion & pickles.		Turkey patty with lettuce, tomato, onion, pickles on a sesame seed bun.	



## Starters, Salads and Sides

<b>Chips &amp; Salsa</b> .....	<b>7.95</b>	<b>French Fries</b> .....	<b>6.50</b>
<b>Chicken Quesadillas</b> .....	<b>13.95</b>	<b>Quesadillas</b> .....	<b>12.95</b>
<b>Nachos</b> .....	<b>13.65</b>	<b>Asian Salad</b> .....	<b>14.95</b>
w/seasoned beef .....	<b>2.00</b>	<b>Seared Salmon Salad</b> .....	<b>17.95</b>
<b>Chicken Wings with Fries</b> .....	<b>12.25</b>	<b>Chef's Salad</b> .....	<b>15.95</b>
Carrots, celery sticks and ranch dressing.		Mixed greens topped with veggies, cheese, turkey and ham.	
<b>Taco Salad</b> .....	<b>14.85</b>	<b>Garden Salad</b> .....	<b>10.45</b>
Fresh greens, tomatoes, olives, onions, seasoned beef, refried beans and two kinds of cheese.		Fresh and crisp lettuce, tomato slice, carrot sticks, celery sticks, croutons and crackers.	
<b>Mesquite Chicken Caesar</b> .....	<b>14.85</b>	<b>Dinner Salad</b> .....	<b>7.45</b>
Freshly torn romaine lettuce with a zesty caesar dressing and julienne chicken.			
<b>Rattlesnake Chili</b> .....	<b>9.25</b>		
Chili with a bite.			
<b>Homemade Soup</b> .....	<b>cup 5.50</b>		
Made fresh daily. ....	<b>bowl 8.25</b>		

## South of the Border

Served with Our Famous Cactus Salsa

<b>Enchilada Special</b> .....	<b>14.95</b>	<b>Vegetable Burrito</b> .....	<b>14.25</b>
Your choice of beef or cheese, refried beans, rice and Mexican salad.		Mixed fresh vegetables grilled to perfection and wrapped in a flour tortilla, served with rice & beans.	
<b>Fajitas</b> .....	<b>17.95</b>	<b>Two Tacos</b> .....	<b>14.25</b>
Your choice of beef, chicken or vegetables and seasonings.		Soft warm flour tortillas or corn tortillas filled with beef, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes with refried beans, rice and Mexican salad.	
<b>Combo Plate</b> .....	<b>15.95</b>	<b>Fish Tacos</b> .....	<b>15.25</b>
Beef enchilada, cheese enchilada, taco, refried beans, rice and Mexican salad.		Soft warm tortillas, cod, lettuce, tomatoes, olives and onions. Served with rice & beans.	

## End of the Trail

Includes Soup or Salad, Rice or Potato and Vegetable of the Day  
Served 4 pm to close

<b>Prime Rib</b> .....	<b>30.95</b>	<b>Rainbow Trout</b> .....	<b>20.95</b>
Slow roasted prime rib with onion au jus.		Delicious Idaho trout broiled over an open flame with a hint of lemon butter.	
<b>Steak Delmonico</b> .....	<b>30.95</b>	<b>Chicken Santa Fe</b> .....	<b>17.95</b>
Handcut steak in a mushroom & burgundy bordelaise.		A grilled breast of chicken julienne, fresh bell peppers, mushrooms, cheddar jack and Parmesan cheese.	
<b>SW Grilled Vegetables</b> .....	<b>16.45</b>	<b>Salmon</b> .....	<b>20.95</b>
Served with cactus salsa.		Sauteed or Blackened.	

## Beverages, Juices and Such

<b>Milk</b> .....	<b>2.25</b>	<b>Hot Tea</b> .....	<b>2.25</b>
<b>Lemonade</b> .....	<b>2.25</b>	<b>Coffee</b> .....	<b>2.25</b>
<b>Ice Tea</b> .....	<b>2.25</b>	<b>Hot Chocolate</b> .....	<b>2.95</b>
<b>Juice</b> .....	<b>2.25</b>	<b>Rootbeer Float</b> .....	<b>3.95</b>
<b>Soft Drinks</b> .....	<b>2.25</b>	<b>Milkshakes</b> .....	<b>4.50</b>
		<b>Iced Coffee</b> .....	<b>3.95</b>

Gratuities Not Included



## Charles Brown — pioneer and statesman

Charles Brown's childhood seemed to be less play time and more work. By the time he was eleven, he went to work in a Georgia mine. His silence and unhurried way about doing things in life later proved to be a constant reminder to his friends who nicknamed him, "Spring of the Panther."

Charles Brown came from Georgia in his early days. Upon reaching the Death Valley area, he traveled in a southward path, beginning in Tonopah working in the Water Department and then in the famous Lila C mine, belonging to the Borax company.

His wife, Stella Fairbanks Brown, was a woman who proved to be just as adventurous as he. Born of a Mormon family, their wealth was attributed to Dad Fairbanks' Freighting Company.

From 1906 through 1907 Dad Fairbanks and his wife established the Tonopah Railroad and Freight Line. Later they moved to Greenwater, a copper mine "Boom Town." They lived there in Greenwater until 1909. It was there in Greenwater that Charles Brown had the famous frolic in the Greenwater Saloon with a man known as Death Valley Slim. In the

fall of 1909, he moved south again to Shoshone, only staying for a year. When 1910 rolled around, Charles Brown went to work for the Borax mine, Lila C.

Later Charles Brown settled in Dale, California, long enough to begin his family of four children. Bernice was born in 1913. Charlie Brown Jr. was born in 1915. Another move and another son, George came in 1919. A final move brought Charles Brown and Stella to Shoshone where their last child, Celestia, was born in 1922.

In 1925 Charles Brown decided that the Fifth Supervisorial District

in Inyo County had to be straightened out. He struggled to encourage the men from the mines to go to the voting booths. As a result he was elected County Supervisor, a job he held for 16 years.

Business at Shoshone thrived through the years. The Brown family grew up, went to school and then to college.

In the early 1940's when World War II began, Charles ran for the State Senatorial position and was elected. He remained as a Senator for twenty years until he died in 1963.

## Charles Brown at Greenwater

From "Loafing Along Death Valley Trails" by William Caruthers

The story of Charles Brown and the Shoshone store begins at Greenwater. In the transient hordes of people that poured into that town, he was the only one who had not come for quick easy money. On his own since he was eleven, when he had gone to work in a Georgia mine, he wanted only a job. And he got it. In the excited, loose-talking mob, he was silent, calm, and unhurried.

There were no law enforcement officers in Greenwater. The jail was 150 miles away. Better citizens decided finally to do something about it. They petitioned George Naylor, Inyo County's sheriff at Independence to appoint or send a deputy to keep some semblance of order. Naylor sent over a badge and a note that said, "Pin it on some husky youngster, who is unmarried and unafraid, and tell him to shoot first."

Again the Citizen's Committee met. "I know a fellow who answers that description," one of them said.

"Steady sort. Built like a panther. Came from Georgia. Kind, slow-motioned until he is ready to spring. Name's Brown."

The badge was pinned on Charles Brown.

Greenwater was a port of call for Death Valley Slim, a character of the western deserts, who normally was a happy-go-lucky likeable fellow. Periodically Slim would fill himself with desert "likker", his belt with six-guns and terrorize the town.

Shortly after Brown assumed the duties of his office, Slim sent word to the deputy at Death Valley Junction that he was on his way to that place for a little frolic. "Tell him," he coached the messenger, "Sheriffs rile me and he'd better take a vacation."

After notifying the merchants and the residents who promptly barricaded themselves indoors, the officer found shelter for himself in Beatty, Nevada.

So Slim saw only empty streets and barred shutters upon arrival.

Since there was nothing to shoot at, he headed through Dead Man's Canyon for Greenwater. There he found the main street crowded to his liking and the saloons jammed. He made for the nearest, ordered a drink and, whipping out his gun, began to pop the bottles on the shelves. At the first blast, patrons made a break for the exits. At the second, the doors and windows were smashed and when Slim holstered his gun, the place was a wreck.

Messengers were sent for Brown, who was at his cabin a mile away. Brown stuck a pistol in his pocket and went down. He found Slim in Wandell's saloon, the town's smartest. There Slim had refused to let the patrons leave, with the bartenders cowed, the patrons cornered, Slim was amusing himself by shooting alternately at chandeliers, the feet of customers and the plump breasts of the new lady featured in the painting behind the bar. Following Brown at a safe distance, was half the population, keyed for the massacre.

Brown walked in and said, "Hello, Slim. Fellows tell me you're hogging all the fun. Better let me have that gun, hadn't you?"

"Like hell," Slim sneered, "I'll let you have it right through the guts."

As he raised his gun for the kill, the panther sprang and the battle was on. They fought all over the bar room, standing up, lying down, rolling over, first one then the other on top. Tables toppled, chairs crashed. For half an hour they battled savagely, finally rolling against the bar, both mauled and bloody. There, with his strong vice-like legs wrapped around Slim's and an arm of steel gripping the neck

and shoulder, Brown slipped irons over the bad man's wrist. "Get up," Brown ordered as he stood aside, breathing hard.

Slim rose, and leaned against the bar. There was fight still in him and seeing a bottle in front of him, he seized it with manacled hands and started to lift it.

"Slim," Brown said calmly, "If you lift that bottle you'll never lift another."

The bad boy instinctively knew the look that pages death, and Slim's fingers fell from the bottle.

Greenwater had no jail. Brown took him to his own cabin. Leaving the manacles on the prisoner, he took off his shoes and locked them in the closet. No man, drunk or sober, he reflected, would tackle barefoot the graveled street littered with thousands of broken liquor bottles. He went to bed.

Waking later, he discovered that Slim had vanished and with him Brown's size 12 shoes. Brown tried Slim's shoes but couldn't get his feet into them. There was nothing to do but follow barefoot.

He left a blood-stained trail, but at 2 a.m. he found Slim in a blacksmith's shop having the handcuffs removed. Brown retrieved his shoes and on the return trip, Slim went barefoot. After hogtying the prisoner, Brown chained him to the bed and went to sleep.

Thereafter, the bad boys scratched Greenwater off their calling list.

Slim attained fame with Pancho Villa down in Mexico, became a good citizen and later on went East established a sanatorium catering to the wealthy and acquired a fortune.

