Chamber music at Boathouse Theatre

As part of the annual summer-long Valhalla Arts, Music and Theatre Festival, An Evening of Intimate Chamber Music at the historic Boathouse Theatre will be June 11.

Performers playing the works of Mozart, Bruch, Reger and Francaiz include David Brock, piano, Pat Crane, viola and Darrell Morre, clarinet. And, Maureen Leonard will perform Chopin on solo piano.

The show begins at 7:30pm and ticket prices are $15 for ages 18 to 54, $12 for ages 13 to 17 and 55+ (military and students too) and $5 for children 12 and under. The Boathouse Theatre is a structure dating two turn-of-the centuries ago, distinguishing it as one of Tahoe's earliest preserved buildings.

Brock is a principal member of TOCCATA (The Orchestra and Community Choral Artists of the Tahoe Area) where he serves as organist, and continuo accompanist. Crane, performs in Nevada ensembles as well as regularly in local church services. Leonard performs solo works in voice, piano and organ with the Tahoe Choir and Toccata. She is the music director and organist at St. Theresa Church, South Lake Tahoe. Moore of Kings Beach acts, sings, and dances in Tahoe Mountain Musicals, Tahoe Players, Truckee Actors Guild and Tahoe Arts and is a founding member of TOCCATA.

The annual Valhalla Arts, Music and Theatre festival is located on the South Shore of Lake Tahoe at the historic Tallac Site. For tickets and information, click here or call (530) 541.4975.

EFT workshop in South Tahoe

Emotional Freedom Technique Worsshop – The Basics on June 18 from 6-9pm at Lake Tahoe Spiritual Living Center, 3665 Tamarack Ave., South Lake Tahoe.

Ready to make some positive changes? Why not take just three hours out of your busy life to learn an amazing, easy to learn technique that can help you feel healthier and more positive. Cost; $40, which includes power point presentation, handouts, demonstrations and supervised practice. Registration begins at 5:30pm.

Questions? Email workshop instructor Rosemary Manning at tahoehealthtouch@yahoo.com.

Clean water crusader Stein dies at 92

By Dennis Hevesi, New York Times

Murray Stein, who for more than 20 years led the federal government's fight against water pollution and did much to overcome the prevailing attitude that the nation's waterways could serve as sewers, died May 24 at his home in Falls Church, Va. He was 92.

His daughter Judith Sloane confirmed his death.

Mr. Stein, who retired in 1976, was something of a diplomat

without portfolio, traveling from state to state with the difficult mission of seeking compliance through steps that avoided penalties or court action. His technique was to preside over hearings at which local officials and corporate executives were confronted with evidence of pollution and then invited or cajoled into adopting remedial programs.

Read the whole story

Demoractic club meeting in South Tahoe

Lake Tahoe Democratic Club meeting is June 9 at 6:30pm in the loft above the Blue Angel Cafe, 1132 Ski Run Blvd., South Lake Tahoe.

2nd home real estate specialists to gather in Incline

Hundreds of Realtors will gather from across the globe on June 13-15 at the National Association of Realtors Resort and Second-Home Symposium at the Lake Tahoe Hyatt in Incline Village.

This networking event is for people who specialize in the resort, vacation and second-home markets.

Launched in Los Cabos, Mexico, in 2003, the NAR Resort and Second-Home Symposium has traveled to Cape Cod, Hawaii, Vail, and Naples. Now it’s Lake Tahoe’s turn.

This year’s theme is Elevate Your Business. Reps from 28 states and five countries will be at the lake.

Introduced in January 2006, the Resort and Second-Home Property Specialist Certification is a nationally-recognized certification awarded by the National Association of Realtors to real estate professionals who wish to demonstrate and promote – to consumers and their peers alike–their expertise in the varied specialty. The program focuses on developing the knowledge and skill base that real estate professionals need to specialize in buying, selling, or managing second-homes in a resort, recreational, and/or vacation destination and properties for investment, development or retirement.

Student artwork on display at LTCC



Lake Tahoe Community College’s annual Student Art Exhibition is going on now through June 19, with most of the work in the commons area.

The work is the culmination of what students have produced this academic year.

Items range from water colors, to sculpture, to photography to a wild plastic bottle exhibit at the entry.

Putting a call out to all veterans

To veterans,

Can we help you be a member of an organization that helps veterans and the community and provides a place for veterans to spend quality time with one another doing and celebrating their service to their country and one another?

We want you to join us and be a part of our celebration.

Come to the post and be a part of what can be your post and be part of the process of running it.

We want your ideas and your input.

What can we do to make it more to your appeal or liking?

We are offering a one-year membership sign-up reduction of 37 percent of the normal price which is $40. But for now it will be $25 for the first year.

How can you sign up?

We will need your name, address and day time or evening phone number (specify) and a copy of your DD Form 214 showing you were Honorably Discharged from the service, (you may blank out the SSN, we do not need it) and a check or money order for $25 made out to American Legion Post 795.

Mail to:

American Legion Post 795

P.O. Box 14213

South Lake Tahoe, CA 96151

We meet once a month on the third Tuesday of the month at 6pm at the Post across the street from Meeks Lumber on Lake Tahoe Boulevard in South Lake Tahoe.

If you need more information, call the Post Adjutant

George Ramirez at (530) 541.0641.

George Ramirez, American Legion Post 795

$11 bil. water bond splits enviro groups in California

By Colin Sullivan, New York Times

California environmental groups are split over whether to support an $11 billion water bond on the November ballot, setting up a family feud between activists who usually stand shoulder-to-shoulder against corporate interests.

The bond is backed by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger (R), Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D), the California Farm Bureau, construction companies and dozens of irrigation districts, to name its most prominent advocates. But also working for the initiative are the Nature Conservancy, Audubon California and the National Heritage Institute.

That deep-pocketed coalition will be opposed by Sierra Club California, the Planning and Conservation League, Friends of the River and Clean Water Action, among others. Also set to oppose the bond are a number of Democratic and Republican state legislators, mostly from the Bay area and the Sacramento

region.

Read the whole story

Barbarians, peasants and fairies frolic at Camp Rich

By Austin Fay

CAMP RICHARDSON – Contrasting homogeneous suburban theme parks, Renaissance fairs bring back a time when life expectancy was stunted, disease was rampant, and reality TV was better known as King Henry VIII's court.

The 18th Annual Valhalla Renaissance Faire at Camp Richardson is much more fun than that sounds, and you can bring the family. It's a full immersion in jousting, archery tournaments, greasy smells, Elizabethan music, and surly artisans who have become caricature of the period.



Ottoman dancers will return June 12-13 to Camp Rich for another weekend of

merriment.
Photos/Austin
Fay

Nearly 1,000 re-enactors participate in the Valhalla Renaissance Faire; their only reward is doing something they love. There is a Queen Elizabeth, a Romeo, a Juliet, a William Shakespeare as well as hundreds of rogues, wenches, lords and ladies roaming the grounds for two weekends.

“I love doing it for the look in the little girl’s eyes when she runs up to me when I’m wearing my big dress and asks, ‘Are you the queen?’” Faire Operations Manager Darelle Polleck said.

The event had about 6,500 visitors last year, even though it rained one of the weekends. Volunteers are expecting many more this year as the forecast of 70-degree Tahoe weather is expected next weekend, too.

The Knights of Mayhem, currently the reigning American jousting champions, clash forces with 12-foot lances and full armor at 12:45 and 3:45 daily.

The first weekend’s theme was Shakespearean, next weekend “Pirates and Barbarians” pillage the squire, so wear your best costumes for the scavenger hunt at noon and 3pm.

The learning, feasting, music, and shows will continue at Camp Richardson from 10am to 6pm June 12, and until 5pm June 13. Tickets are $17 for adults, $12 for seniors, military and ages 13-17, $7 for children 6-12, 5 and under are free. Parking is available if it’s early in the day, otherwise, shuttles run from South Tahoe High School ($3, goes toward the school’s sports programs), Pope Beach ($5), and twice an hour a shuttle runs from the Y.

For more information, click here.

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Flood warnings for Walker, Carson rivers

By Reno Gazette-Journal

The National Weather Service in Reno is warning of potential flooding of the West Walker River near Coleville in Mono County.

The NWS has issued a flood advisory for the West Walker for the next few days, as snowmelt continues. Flows in the river have already reached flood stage near Coleville, and snowmelt is expected to continue as temperatures increase over the next few days.

Read the whole story