

Olive oil – El Dorado County's latest gold rush

Annette Schoonover invites patrons to “bring your own bottle,” but what she pours at the tasting bar is for dipping, not sipping.

Winterhill Farms' shop on Placerville's Main Street represents El Dorado County's nascent olive oil industry. Since 2000, a handful of olive orchards have been introduced into the foothills agricultural scene.

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Farmers' market coupons available for seniors

Senior farmers' market coupons are back. Coupons are available for those older than 60 years of age and meeting income guidelines (one person household with annual income less than \$20,665, or a two person household less than \$27,991).

Each eligible senior will receive coupons redeemable for the purchase of fresh, locally grown fruits, vegetables, cut herbs and raw unprocessed honey.

Distribution dates:

June 26 from 8am to 1pm, American Legion, South Lake Tahoe Farmer's Market, 2732 South Lake Tahoe Blvd., South Lake Tahoe;

July 7 from 8am to noon, Placerville Farmer's Market, Ivy House Parking Lot at the Corner of Main Street and Cedar Ravine, Placerville.

Quantities are limited and coupons are distributed on a first come, first served basis so be prepared to wait in line. Coupons are good at all authorized farmers' markets.