

# Snippets about Lake Tahoe

- Comedian Iliza Shlesinger will be at MontBleu in Stateline on Dec. 30 at 8pm. Tickets are available **online**.
- Tahoe Donner's Fall Festival is Oct. 8 from 11am-5pm at the Northwoods Clubhouse. Admission is free, with options to purchase food, drinks and activities. There will be a pumpkin patch, maze, barbecue, seasonal beer, arts and crafts vendors, and live music and performances by local musical groups, and children's activities. Dog owners can even bring their four-legged friends out for the annual doggie dip. A full itinerary of activities and pricing are **online**.
- The Asian citrus psyllid, a small insect that can carry a devastating citrus tree disease, has been detected in Placer County.
- North Tahoe Business Association is putting on a free business seminar about advertising on Facebook and Instagram. It's Oct. 6 from 8-9:30am at the North Tahoe Event Center in Kings Beach. For more information, contact NTBA staff at 530.546.9000 or [info@northtahoebusiness.org](mailto:info@northtahoebusiness.org).
- Reno-Tahoe International Airport was awarded a \$20,531,250 grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation for runway rehabilitation.

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## Stormwater drawing contest for grades K-5

In an effort to help raise awareness with the younger

generation about the importance of stormwater pollution prevention, the Nevada Department of Transportation is having a drawing contest for all Nevada students grades K-5.

Winners will become published artists, with the first place student's artwork featured on the cover of the 2017 NDOT Stormwater Program brochure, and the second and third place students' artwork featured inside of the brochure.

The Love NV Waters drawing contest is open to all Nevada students grades K-5 including charter and home-schooled students. Artwork will be judged based on creativity and artistry in depicting the student's favorite activity at their favorite Nevada lake or river and/or showing an activity people can do to help prevent stormwater runoff pollution.

Information, entry and release forms are **online**. The deadline is Nov. 7.

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## **Kings Beach center likely to be privately operated**

North Tahoe Public Utilities District and Laulima Development LLC are starting lease agreement talks for the company to operate and maintain the North Tahoe Event Center in Kings Beach.

Three groups initially sought to operate the lakefront entity. The board chose Laulima as the preferred operator.

A primary goal of the district's is to seek financial solvency for the recreation and parks department. One idea was to

explore the potential of a public-private partnership to operate and maintain the North Tahoe Event Center. The center has consistently operated at an annual operating deficit averaging \$90,000 over the last 10 years. An additional \$80,000 a year is needed to be set aside for deferred maintenance, which also hasn't been achieved.

Maintaining access and affordability to the community is an element of the agreement with Laulima and will also be included in lease negotiations.

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- Stacy Noyes has been appointed to the Douglas County Planning Commission. She will fill out Jim Beattie's term, which expires Dec. 31, 2018.
- The **Guinn Center for Policy Priorities** has released a series of fact sheets on the various state and county ballot initiatives voters in Nevada will consider in November.
- The Tahoe Area Sierra Club is having a fundraising event at Aspen Hollow Nursery on Sept. 18 at 4pm. Cost is \$15 for members, \$20 for others. There will be wine, vittles and dessert. Julie Carville, author of "Tahoe's Spectacular Wildflower Trails", will sign books and talk about local flora.
- Tahoe Sports Hub's Boulder Bash is Sept. 24 from 9am-5pm in Truckee. For more info, go **online**.
- Here is the El Dorado-Tahoe roadwork schedule from Caltrans for next week.

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- Douglas County Public Library in Minden presents A Gathering of Local Authors on Oct. 5 from 4:30-6:30pm. This free event will feature appearances by Todd Borg and Mike White. Other participating authors include: Mary Ansari; Ken Beaton; Tracy Clark; Tammy Grace; Sandie La Nae; Bill "Wade" Morgan; Mary Randall; Jerry and Janine Sprout; Lin Wilder; and Kimberly Wilkes. They will sell their books, meet readers, and sign autographs.
  - The 14th annual Septoberfest put on by Kiwanis Club of Tahoe Sierra is Sept. 22 at 6pm at MontBleu in Stateline. Go **online** for info or to buy a \$45 ticket.
  - Caltrans proposes to construct safety improvements on Highway 50 in the Camino area, east of Placerville from Still Meadows Road to Upper Carson Road. There will be a meeting about it at Camino Elementary School on Sept. 20 from 5:30-7:30pm, with a presentation at 6pm.
  - The Great Sierra River Cleanup, a project of the Sierra Nevada Conservancy aimed at keeping the rivers and lakes of the Sierra clean and free of litter pollution, is Sept. 17 from 9am-noon. For locations, go **online**.
  - Thomas the Tank Engine, part of the V&T Railroad, is inviting kids to the Ready Set, Go tour on Oct. 21-23 and Oct. 28-30 in Virginia city. Cost is \$19. Tickets are available **online**.
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- **Expedia Viewfinder** calls Lake Tahoe one of the world's most breathtaking destinations.
  - The Tahoe Donner Trail (aka the Trout Creek Trail) is now open in Truckee.
  - Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California will receive \$490,000 in Indian Community Development Block Grant funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. These funds may be used for a wide range of affordable housing and community development projects.
  - At Nevada Field Day on Sept. 24 from 9am-2pm, visitors will be treated to a variety of free activities and giveaways, and even some tasty food samples. Restaurateur/chef Mark Estee will be demonstrating how to cook at home with healthy, local food. The event is at the university's Main Station Field Lab, 5895 Clean Water Way in Reno.
  - The California Government Compensation in California **website** has been updated to include 2015 self-reported data for special districts.
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## Drivers needed for EDC senior food program

The El Dorado County Senior Nutrition Program is looking for volunteers for the home delivered meal program.

Volunteers generally work one day each week on an assigned route, delivering meals between 10:30am-noon. People who

cannot provide a weekly commitment can serve as back-up drivers.

Orientation sessions for new volunteer drivers are:

- Sept. 28, 1-2pm at the Placerville Senior Center, 937 Spring St.
- Sept. 29, 10-11am at the South Lake Tahoe Senior Center, 3050 Lake Tahoe Blvd.

For more information, call 530.621.6160.

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- Fire Fest will be at Hard Rock Lake Tahoe in Stateline on Sept. 24 from 10am-3pm – not at Lake Tahoe Airport as it has been in the past. Helicopters will be able to land there.
- TRYP's South Shore mixer is Sept. 14 from 6-9pm at the Landing Resort in South Lake Tahoe. The Sept. 20 mixer from 5:30-8pm is at Crosby's in Incline Village. They are free for members, \$10 for others.
- Dementia whisperer Laura Wayman will help caregivers and loved ones better understand the topic of dementia during a free talk on Nov. 17, 1-3pm at Lake Tahoe Resort Hotel, South Lake Tahoe.
- TRYP will host a workshop titled Improve Your Tax Efficiency on Sept. 21 from 6-7pm at Lake Tahoe Community College. Attendance is free for members and \$5 for non-members.
- The South Lake Tahoe City Council candidate forum on

Sept. 20 will be **streamed live** on the Lake Tahoe South Shore Chamber of Commerce's Facebook page. The forum is from 5:30-7:30pm at Lake Tahoe Resort Hotel.

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- Boomtown in Verdi is now Best Western Plus Boomtown Casino Hotel.
  - Participating McDonald's in Northern Nevada and Lake Tahoe are offering a free breakfast Sept. 13 from 6:30-9:30am to students in K-8 who are accompanied by an adult.
  - The American Aeronautical Foundation is offering rides on a World War II B-25 Mitchell bomber at the Carson City Airport on Sept. 14-15. The 30-minute rides are \$425. The plane will be in Truckee on Sept. 17-18.
  - Here are the El Dorado-Tahoe and Sierra roadwork schedules from Caltrans for the week.
  - Clint Purvance, CEO and president of Barton Health in South Lake Tahoe, has made Becker's Hospital Review's list of 110 physician leaders of hospitals and health systems.
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- The 41st annual Antique and Classic Boat Society's International Boat Show is Sept. 23-24 from 9am-5pm at the Sierra Boat Company in Carnelian Bay.

- Ron Kipp will be joining the Squaw Valley Alpine Meadows Race Team in the newly created position of ski team coaches education and development manager.

- Squaw Valley Park now has pickleball courts.

- Charlie Bamforth has been part of the brewing industry for nearly 40 years and is one of its most globally acclaimed scientists. He will give a talk and put on a beer tasting in partnership with Alibi Ale Works on Oct. 13 from 5:30-7pm at the Tahoe Environmental Research Center in Incline Village. Cost is \$25.

- Medication Safety is the title of a Nov. 7 talk at Lake Tahoe Resort Hotel in South Lake Tahoe. Barton staff will address safety issues regarding prescriptions, questions to ask your pharmacist and proper storage and disposal. It is free.