

Scavenge event benefits Humane Society

Elevated Fitness in South Lake Tahoe is putting on a Celebrity Scavenger Charity Dash.

The beneficiary is the Lake Tahoe Humane Society.

Participants will race with or against MTV celebrities. Teams will solve clues, scavenge items, complete challenges, all while discovering a bit of Tahoe.

The event starts at Elevated Fitness on July 8 at 4pm.

Cost is \$60 per person or \$100 for a team.

For more info and to sign up, go **online**.

Snippets about Lake Tahoe

- Gas line relocation work in South Lake Tahoe is anticipated to be completed by the end of July.
- Hailing from the high desert of Utah, psychedelic rockers Crook & The Bluff will be in South Lake Tahoe on July 16 at 9pm at Himmel Haus.
- Tahoe Cross Country Ski Education Association needs ride leaders for the Junior Mountain Rider Program. For more info, email andrews@tahoexc.org.
- Tahoe Derby Dames go up against Woodland Roller Derby on June 18 at 6pm at Bijou Community Park. It's free. Bring lawn chairs.

· Cathy Kope is interim executive director of the St. Joseph Community Land Trust. The nonprofit's mission is to improve the quality of life for individuals and families who cannot otherwise afford housing.

Extreme climber to give talk in Incline

Ed Viesturs, the only American to have summited all of the world's 14 8,000-meter peaks without supplemental oxygen, will be giving a talk June 20 in Incline Village.

He is now a best-selling author, having written four books. Viesturs was the key figure in the IMAX "Everest Expedition" documentary. He's summited Everest seven times and was named National Geographic's 2005 Adventurer of the Year.

Viesturs will share stories about his expeditions at the Chateau in Incline at 6pm. Cost is \$35.

For tickets or more info, contact 775.832.5454 or travel@mythsandmountains.com.

CHP wants to hear from South Shore residents

On June 24, members of the California Highway Patrol Meyers office are hosting "coffee with a cop" at Aplina Cafe

in South Lake Tahoe.

This is an opportunity for community members to ask questions and learn more about the department's work in El Dorado County. The program aims to advance the practice of community policing through improving relationships between police officers and community members.

The event begins at 9am.

Gold panning event looking for contestants

Registration to compete in the 40th annual World's Gold Panning Championship is available online for experienced and novice panners.

The Olympics of Gold Panning will take place in Placerville, just miles from where the California Gold Rush began, during a countywide, weeklong celebration Sept. 11-18. Competitors from all over the world will be participating at the El Dorado County Fairgrounds.

For the seasoned competitors, there are nine categories.

The "fun" gold panning categories include "pixies" for ages 5 and under, children 6-10, and adult beginners.

For more info, call 530.334.6531.

Snippets about Lake Tahoe

- BlueGo is offering free bus rides on routes 50 and 53 every weekend through Labor Day. For more info, go **online**.
 - Tahoe City is having a Solstice Festival June 17-19. For more info, go **online**.
 - Girl Scout Troop No. 143 gave Bread & Broth 4 Kids a \$250 gift card for food for local children in need. This is in addition to filling bags of food all year for the nonprofit.
 - El Dorado County Search and Rescue's fundraiser at Riva Grill in South Lake Tahoe is June 22 from 5-7pm. Cost is \$22.
 - McAvoy Layne as Mark Twain kicks off the Dangberg Rang Chautauqua series on June 22 at 6:30pm in Minden. Tickets are \$5 for adults, free for 16 and younger. Tickets are available in Gardnerville at Battle Born Wine, in Minden at 88 Cups and More and **online**.
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Snippets about Lake Tahoe

- Fireworks are prohibited from all U.S. Forest Service lands and campgrounds – every day.
- Truckee in partnership with the Sierra Business Council is introducing a program that will provide affordable and flexible financing and technical assistance workshops to eligible residents and businesses of Truckee. For more info, contact Jessica Carr at 530.582.5022 or jcarr@sierrabusiness.org.

- Base Camp Festival IV, the music event, will be at Hard Rock in Stateline on Aug. 3-4.
 - Discounted early bird tickets are available for the Sierra Nevada Alliance 22nd annual conference on Aug. 25-27 in Nevada City. Prices go up July 1. [Click here to register.](#)
 - Here are the El Dorado-Tahoe and Sierra roadwork schedules for this week.
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Pony Express re-creation to ride through Hope Valley

The annual re-ride of the of the Pony Express from Sacramento to St. Joseph, Mo., will pass through Hope Valley on June 16 at about 9am – give or take two hours on either side.

This is a 10-day ride that has more than 600 riders traveling 1,966 miles nonstop. They follow the historic Pony Express Trail.

The Central Overland California and Pikes Peak Express Company carried letters and telegrams for 19 months in 1860-61.

More information about the ride is **online**.

Day of festivities at Tahoe

Paradise Park

The South Lake Tahoe Optimist's annual Day in Paradise is June 18.

Festivities begin with breakfast at 8am.

There will be a car show, free kids' games, duck races, food, beer garden, silent auction, live music.

The fun wraps up at 6pm.

The event is at Tahoe Paradise Park on the South Shore.

For more info, call 530.541.4700.

Snippets about Lake Tahoe

- Brooks' Bar in Stateline was selected by *Golf Digest* as one of the best golf pubs in the world.
- The Bicycle Advisory Committee of the South Lake Tahoe Recreation Facilities Joint Powers Authority will meet July 13 from 9-11am in the downstairs conference room at Lake Tahoe Airport.
- El Dorado County will close Green Valley Road in Placerville from El Dorado Road to Mallard Lane starting June 22, reopening July 2. This closure is necessary to construct the roadway approaches to the bridge, including drainage systems, and connections to adjacent residential driveways. Access will be provided for residents and property owners within the closure limits. Through traffic will not be permitted between El Dorado Road and Mallard Lane.

- The Highway 50-Silva Valley Parkway interchange on the West Slope is now open.

- The Douglas County Public Library continues its Summer Saturday Family Movie series with “Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs” (rated G) on June 18 at 2pm in the Minden Library meeting room. The movie and popcorn are free. The Minden Library is located at 1625 Library Lane.