

Costumed dog walk in South Lake Tahoe

Dogs will be getting in the Halloween spirit on Oct. 14 as part of Dawgs on the Run's monthly walk.

The walk starts from the parking lot at High Sierra Dental Care (1060 Ski Run Blvd, South Lake Tahoe) at 5:30pm. Dogs must be on leash.

The walk is free, to participate in the costume contest it costs \$5.

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Placer County staff designed a new logo that will be used going forward.

Diamond Peak's Vincent Murillo, lead lift operator and maintenance assistant, received the 2015 Rocky Mountain Lift Association Lift Operations Person of the Year award.

Carson City Trail Users is having a public workshop Oct. 20 from 5:30-7:30pm at the Carson City Community Center (851 E. Williams St.) regarding the Eagle Valley trails.

Rhonda Sneeringer has been selected as Barton Health's chief medical officer. She currently serves as the vice chief of staff for Barton Health. She is a pediatric and adult hospitalist and has practiced medicine at Barton Hospital for

three years.

· Sabrina Owen, supervisor of El Dorado County's Mental Health Services in South Lake Tahoe, will be the guest speaker at the Rotary Club of South Lake Tahoe's meeting on Oct. 14 at noon at Harrah's Lake Tahoe. The public is welcome.

Talk to focus on knees and winter sports

Hear from a team of experts on Nov. 4 about how to stay injury free during the winter season.

Terry Orr from Tahoe Center for Orthopedics will share what happens when a knee gets injured and LTCC anatomy Professor Beach Orr will teach about the anatomy of the knee. Two of Barton Health's certified athletic trainers will also lead participants in exercises to get the winter season going.

The free talk is from 6-7pm at Lake Tahoe Community College's board room.

SLTFD: Time to make sure

chimney is clean

With the cooler nights upon us, it's time to make sure chimneys is in safe working order.

We at the fire department annually respond to numerous chimney fires, mainly due to creosote buildup in the chimney flue. This type of fire has the potential to extend into your house and do major damage.

To prevent this from happening, the fire department recommends periodic cleaning of your chimney.

– Sallie Ross-Filgo, South Lake Tahoe Fire Department

LTCC to show adventure film

Tahoe Adventure Film Festival presents the 10th year of "Reel Rock" at Lake Tahoe Community College's Duke Theater.

From big walls to big moves, "Reel Rock 10" features athletes Tommy Caldwell, Kevin Jorgeson, Alex Honnold, Jimmy Webb, Daniel Woods and a special tribute to the late Dean Potter.

Doors open at 6pm Oct. 23 and show starts at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$15 at the door.

Tips for buying safe Halloween costumes

We would like to encourage everyone buying costumes for Halloween to check the labels and make sure they are made of flame retardant materials.

Materials made of 100 percent polyester are best suited for Halloween costumes. These costume materials may be purchased at most local fabric stores. The use of commercial flame retardant sprays is not recommended.

Avoid Halloween costumes that are loose or baggy to prevent fabric from coming in contact with any open flames.

Children should carry flashlights or use battery operated lights. Jack-o-lanterns that have an open flame device should be placed off the ground so long or full costumes and young trick-or-treaters' hands cannot come in contact with the flames.

The use of masks which obstruct vision should be avoided. Costumes should incorporate reflective tape in their design so children can be easily seen at night.

Trick or treat while it's still light outside, and stay in your neighborhood, visiting only the homes you know.

Finally, always check your children's candy before allowing them to eat any of it.

Have a fun and safe Halloween.

– Sallie Ross-Filgo, South Lake Tahoe Fire Department

SLTFD: Time to test smoke detectors

If a fire broke out tonight while you were sleeping, would you wake up in time to escape? If you have working smoke detectors in your home, the answer is probably yes.

Smoke detectors provide early warning of a fire. Without smoke detectors to awaken you, the smoke could put you into a deeper sleep, and you might never get out.

So keep your smoke detectors working by testing them often and installing new batteries each year. Remember: Test your detectors today – it's sound advice.

– Sallie Ross-Filgo, South Lake Tahoe Fire Department

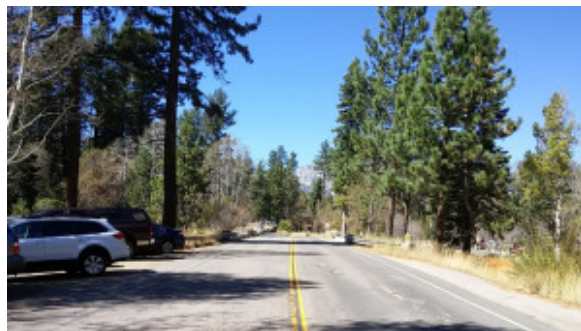
Then and now: Extreme weather in Tahoe

Weather in Tahoe is always a topic of conversation. It doesn't matter if it's a drought or mega-storm, it affects the way of life in the basin.



The Highway 89 bridge and Taylor Creek as viewed this month from the adjacent bicycle-pedestrian crossing.
Photo/Bill Kingman

The infrastructure is not built to sustain every possible scenario – like a Godzilla El Nino – which some have forecast for this winter.



Approaching the bridge from Camp Richardson on dry, fall day. Photo/Bill Kingman

While Highway 89 at times around Emerald Bay closes because of avalanche danger, rain has also been an issue on this road near Camp Richardson.



Approaching the bridge from Camp Richardson in October 1964. Water from heavy rain and Taylor Creek washed over the bridge. Three saw-horses block the road. Photo/Bill Kingman

– *Bill Kingman*

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The Oct. 9 Steampunk Gala got WordWave off to a rousing start at Valhalla. Photo/Denise Haerr

- This is Day 2 of WordWave, the three-day literary festival taking place on the South Shore. There are free and paid events. Go online for more **info**.

- Here is the resolution the South Lake Tahoe City Council will vote on Oct. 19 regarding Councilwoman JoAnn Conner

- These are the El Dorado-Tahoe and Sierra roadwork schedules from Caltrans for the coming week.

- Olympian and World Cup phenom Lindsey Vonn surprises skiers on the slopes:

Drivers needed for SLT senior food program

El Dorado County's senior nutrition program is looking for volunteers in South Lake Tahoe to deliver meals to homebound seniors.

Volunteer drivers help deliver meals one day each week from 10:30am to 12:30pm to homebound adults ages 60 years or older in South Lake Tahoe. For volunteers who are unable to make a weekly commitment, back-up drivers are also needed for on-call purposes.

Meals are prepared and picked up for delivery at the senior center located at 3050 Lake Tahoe Blvd. in South Lake Tahoe. While travel to and from the senior center is not reimbursable, volunteer drivers are reimbursed for their mileage along their delivery route if they choose.

To volunteer or for questions, call 530.621.6160.