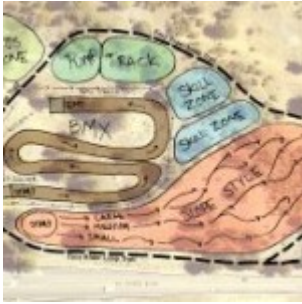


Snippets about Lake Tahoe



- The Bijou Bike Park Association and South Lake Tahoe are seeking input on the Bijou Bike Park design at an April 2, 5:30pm at Bijou Elementary School, 3501 Spruce Ave.

- According to FindTheHome, Alpine County reported zero car thefts in 2013.
 - Tahoe Paradise Resort Improvement District's board is meeting March 26 from 6-8pm at the park in Meyers.
 - South Lake Tahoe Police Department SWAT Association is having a Bowl-a-Thon on April 8 from 5-8pm at Tahoe Bowl (1030 Fremont Ave.). All proceeds will be donated to the nonprofit South Lake Tahoe SWAT Association to assist in the purchase of equipment and future training. Cost is \$120 for a team of up to six players. Entry fee includes one cheese pizza, pitcher of soda, and one game with shoes. RSVP to Brian Hannink at SWAT@cityofslt.us.
 - The April 15 noon-1:30pm Tahoe Talks is titled Dealing with Drought. John Rice, general manager at Sierra-at-Tahoe, is the speaker. The talk is free. It will be at the board room at Lake Tahoe Community College.
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Stolen moose returned to

Sunnyside

The moose that was stolen from Sunnyside in Tahoe City two months ago has been recovered.

“He suffered a broken antler and some minor damage, but we are happy to say he will soon be remounted,” the restaurant said via its Facebook page on March 23. “Many thanks to a longtime local and friend of Sunnyside for finding our beloved entryway icon.”

Thieves made off with the icon from the on Jan. 22.

– *Lake Tahoe News staff report*

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- Fodor's Travel lists Homewood Mountain Resort's mountaintop dinners as one of the world's most unique dining experiences.

- The Douglas County Public Library is retiring its collection of VHS tapes. These items will be on sale March 31-April 2 from 10am-5pm at the Minden library. All videocassettes will be sold for 25 cents each.

- Tahoe Toastmasters Club, part of Toastmasters International, meets every second and fourth Monday at 6:30pm at the South Tahoe Public Utility District board room and Meadow Crest Drive. For more info, call 530.542.4896.

- Kiwanis Ham Bingo is March 28 at 5pm at the South Lake Tahoe Recreation Center. One ham will be given away each hand. Cards are 25 cent each. Proceeds benefit Gene Matteucci's fourth-grade class' Sutter Fort Project.
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- Barton Auxiliary is having a blood drive May 1 from noon-5pm at the South Lake Tahoe Recreation Center, 1180 Rufus Allen Blvd. Bring a photo ID, eat well and drink plenty of fluids.
 - Earth Day is being celebrated April 25 at Bijou Community Park in South Lake Tahoe from 10a-3pm.
 - Lake Tahoe Shakespeare Festival will put on Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" and "The Fantasticks" from July 10-Aug. 23 in Incline Village. Tickets range from \$15 to \$89. For more info, go online.
 - Newport Beach based real estate investment firm TwinRock Rock Partners is buying the multifamily Nevada Royale property in Stateline.
 - The public is invited to tour Sierra House Elementary School's growing domes on April 15 from 5-7pm.
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Food Bank distribution in SLT this week

The Food Bank of El Dorado County will be in South Lake Tahoe on March 25 from 10-11am at the American Legion Hall to distribute emergency supplemental groceries and fresh produce to those who need it most.

If you are struggling to make ends meet and live in the South Lake Tahoe, stop by. The Food Bank will provide one allocation per household.

The Food Bank of El Dorado County built its mobile food pantry in 2012 to reach the most rural areas of El Dorado County.

For more information on how to give or get help, call 530.621.9950 or email info@foodbankedc.org.

Then and now: Taco Bell a mainstay in SLT

Fast food in South Lake Tahoe has been around for decades.



Taco Bell has had a presence in South Lake Tahoe for more than 40 years. Photos/Bill Kingman

South Lake Tahoe's original Taco Bell opened in the late 1960s or early 1970s in an adobe brick with tile roof Spanish classic building. This is what most Taco Bells looked like at the time.



The original Taco Bell was destroyed in 2006 and rebuilt.

Nearly 40 years later, it was time for a new, larger Taco Bell. An effort was made to save as many trees as possible.



Same food, different physical look.

Reversing its footprint, now parking is at the left and Taco

Bell is right behind the big front tree.

– *Bill Kingman*

Pile burning planned for Lake Tahoe

The U.S. Forest Service may conduct prescribed fire operations around Lake Tahoe beginning March 24, weather permitting.

Operations may take place in Blackwood Canyon between Tahoe City and Tahoma, on the south side of Meeks Bay, on Gardner Mountain near South Tahoe High School and off Gardner Street, on Luther Pass near Grass Lake, at Ski Run Boulevard near Heavenly and on the East Shore near Logan Creek Drive. Operations may last through the next several weeks as conditions allow.

Smoke from prescribed fire operations is normal and may continue for several days after an ignition depending on the project size. Agencies coordinate with state and local county air pollution control districts and monitors weather conditions closely prior to prescribed fire ignition.

Before conducting prescribed fire operations, agencies may post road signs around affected areas and make email or phone notifications. The Forest Service updates the local fire information line at 530.543.2600, ext. 6.

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- South Tahoe High School student Alexandra Cody won first place in the National Scholastics Art competition. She will be honored in New York at Carnegie Hall on June 11, where her work will be displayed and given a scholarship between \$10,000 and \$30,000.

Many of her photographs are on display in the TADA building at STHS.

- Working with the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit and Sierra Buttes Trail Stewardship, TAMBA submitted a California OHV grant to complete the Corral Trail Enhancement Project and also fund maintenance on Sidewinder and Cedar trails. The application is available for review online and comments of support are accepted until April 6.

- Barton Hospice encourages people who have experienced the loss of a loved one or have endured a significant, life-altering event to attend this ongoing bereavement group. The next meeting is April 2 from 5-6:30pm. For questions or more information, call Tina Bruess at 530.543.5592 or Barton Hospice at 530.543.5581.

- Lake Tahoe Unified School District ranks No. 3 for best food for school districts in the Sacramento metro area.

- Here is the El Dorado-Tahoe roadwork schedule for next week from Caltrans.
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Entrepreneurial secrets to be revealed at SNC

Ronald Randolph-Wall will reveal his entrepreneurial secrets March 25 in a talk entitled "How, without any cost of goods sold, I earned over \$100 million while working in Incline Village."

Randolph-Wall's career includes founding Quantum Loyalty Systems, creating the first universally accepted movie certificate, developing the world's first professional sports affinity cards for the NFL and NBA, and other successful products in the promotions industry since 1967. He also created major successful marketing campaigns for companies such as Walt Disney Co., Warner Bros., Procter & Gamble, American Express, and Visa. Most of this work was done in Incline Village.

He went on to open offices in 16 countries and did so without any debt. He also avoided selling any interest in his company to get a capital infusion, a step which many entrepreneurs must do. About 18 months ago, Randolph-Wall sold his company to Comcast/Fandango.

The free talk is from 11:30am-1pm in room 139/141 at Sierra Nevada College, Incline Village. RSVP to Kristine Young at kyoung@sierranevada.edu.

Safety training available for

day care centers

Sesame Street Fire Safety Workshop, Teaching Fire & Life Safety Behaviors is an opportunity for professionals dedicated to day care, pre-school and early childhood development to learn fire and life safety skills.

The workshop will focus on safety awareness and fire prevention themes such as Get Out & Stay Out, Practice Fire Drills, Kitchen Safety, Using a fire extinguisher, Active Shooter, and Handling the Hostile Parent.

Registration for the March 28 event closes March 26.

East Fork Fire and Paramedic Districts, Tahoe Douglas Fire and Douglas County Sheriff's Office have partnered with Fire Prevention Association of Nevada to put on the training.

Go online to register. Cost is \$25. For questions, contact Sylvia Lee at 775.782.9040 or slee@co.douglas.nv.us.