Meyers residents gathering to discuss town’s future

On Feb. 6 at 6:30pm there will be a meeting to discuss the recent unveiling of the Meyers catalyst project.

This meeting is not sponsored by any agency, but instead by concerned residents.

The project calls for a multi-story, multi-acre resort and parking garage in Meyers. Proponents call it an idea, not a project.

The draft Meyers Community Plan includes development incentives favoring a large project like this.

The meeting will be at Lake Valley Fire Department.

For more information about the meeting, email meyersresident@live.com or call (530) 577.8220.

Super Bowl prompts increased NHP patrols

The Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety is urging Nevadans to not drink and drive on Super Bowl Sunday.

Now through Feb. 9 more than 20 law enforcement agencies are participating in Joining Forces to target impaired drivers.

Impaired driving messages are delivered year-round, yet when the Super Bowl celebrations begin, law enforcement officials

increase their vigilance.

Zero Fatalities offers these tips to keep the community safe:

• Before going out, plan a safe and sober way to return to your home.

• Designate a sober driver, not a driver who agrees to drink less.

• Reserve a hotel room.

• If you see a drunken driver, contact local police by calling *NHP or 911.

• If people you know are about to drive impaired, take their keys and help get them a ride with a sober driver.

Class to focus on care giving skills

Elder Options is sponsoring an educational forum Feb. 25 from 9am-1pm called Introduction to Care Giving Skills. Taught by Roberta Rimbault, this class will focus on what caregivers need to know either at the beginning of care or to develop the knowledge and skill to develop these skills as a new profession.

Introduction to Care Giving Skills is the key to opening the door to older adulthood, to understanding the issues around getting older, how to be safe, physically active, maintain good health and dietary habits as well as recognizing the independent spirit within or with others you’re working with. It is geared toward the older individual, adults who are

helping to provide the care, and individuals wanting to learn more about the growing field of older adults.

All classes are open and available to the community at-large. The class will be at the Cameron Park CSD. Cost is $35.

Call (530) 350.4655 to register. Class is limited to 20 participants.

Tax workshop for individuals, business owners

Michelle Larsen, a financial guru from David & Johnson, is putting on Tax Prep 101 on Feb. 19.

This is for individuals and small business owners.

The 5:30-6:30pm event is at Lakeland Village, Lakeshore Pavilion meeting room, 3535 Lake Tahoe Blvd., South Lake Tahoe.

It is free for Tahoe Regional Young Professionals members and $10 for others.

NHP looking for students to help with safety campaign

The Nevada Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety is sponsoring a Zero Teen Fatalities traffic safety

message contest for high school students.

Nevada students may participate by producing a 30-second video, a 30-second radio announcement or a billboard/bus shelter poster.

Winners will receive prizes and the opportunity for their entry to be featured in public venues, including movie theaters or on display in public buildings and bus shelters.

The deadline for registration is Feb. 1 and submissions are due March 15. There is not cost to participate.

Register online.

Snippets about Lake Tahoe



• Squaw Valley is hosting Winter Games viewing parties Feb. 8-18 and Feb. 21 at Rocker@Squaw. Squaw Valley athletes Julia Mancuso, Travis Ganong and Nate Holland are going to Russia.

• Liberty Utilities customers starting April 1 will see a carbon pollution charge and credit on bills. Find out more online. Then click on the Customer Support tab at the top, then select Greenhouse Gas Mandates in the left-hand menu.

• As of Jan. 22, Genoa Lakes Properties, including the lakes and resort courses, have been acquired by the Genoa Golf Group IV LLC. The ownership consists of a family trust and two LLC’s all of which are either headquartered in Northern Nevada or

San Antonio. The fourth party is two Nevada residents who will be the operating partners.

• Sierra-at-Tahoe and Inspired Media Inc. are bringing the Tanner Hall Invitational back on March 29 from 8am-4pm. More than 20 of the world's best freeskiers will compete on a course created specifically for this event at West Bowl.

• Here are the El Dorado-Tahoe and Sierra roadwork schedules for the week from Caltrans.

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• Liberty Utilities website provides answers to frequently asked questions about its proposed project on the North Shore. There is a link to the project FAQs on the front page under "In The News."

• Check out this story to see how San Francisco is dealing with parking ticket citations.

• Literary Art and Wine Reading series is a monthly event at Uncorked in Truckee. The next one is Feb. 20 from 5:30-7:30pm. Wine and cheese specials are offered while local published authors read their work.

• Lake Tahoe Concourse d'Elegance classic wooden boat show in Carnelian Bay has been canceled this year because a contract could not be agreed upon.

• Dog classes at the Humane Society Truckee-Tahoe start Feb.

19. For more information, call (530) 587.5948 or (530) 448.9808.

Drug Free Coalition looking for members

South Tahoe Drug Free Coalition is looking for people who are concerned about the area’s party and drug culture and want to help decide how a grant can be used to create lasting change.

In September, Tahoe Youth & Family Services was awarded a Federal Drug Free Communities grant on behalf of the South Tahoe Drug Free Coalition. The coalition was awarded $125,000 per year for the next five years to prevent and reduce youth substance use and change the culture in South Lake Tahoe to reduce adult use as well.

The Coalition meets monthly at the Al Tahoe/Boys and Girls Club, 1100 Lyons Ave., South Lake Tahoe on the second Monday of the month at 3:30pm. The next meeting will be Feb. 10th.

For more contact Melody Easton at Melody@tahoeyouth.org or (530) 541.2445.

Then and now: Stateline

casino ownership



No. 1 – Photo/CardCow.com

In the 1930s, Bill Harrah operated a poker parlor in Venice, Calif., prior to moving his business to Reno. In January 1955, he purchased George's Gateway Club on the Lake Tahoe border of Stateline Avenue and Highway 50 (photo No. 1) which he opened as Harrah's Club (No. 2) that summer.



No. 2 –Photo/CardCow.com



No. 3 – Photo/Lake Tahoe

Historical Museum

Until about 1960, Carson Valley landowners were still using the green meadows of summertime Tahoe for grazing cattle (No. 3).

“The Wildest Show at Tahoe” album (Capitol Records No. T-908, regarded as a classic) was recorded there in 1957 (No. 4) with Louis Prima, Keely Smith, and Sam Butera and The Witnesses in the original small South Shore Room.



No. 4 – Photo/Capitol Records

A decade and more later, Bill Cosby would record several of his comedy albums live in the new 750-seat South Shore Room across the street.



No. 5 – Photo/Lake Tahoe
Historical Museum

In the late 1950s, Harrah's expanded across the street with the purchase of Sahati's Stateline Country Club and the Nevada Club (No. 5) which became Tahoe Harrah's. A hotel was built in 1977 and today the name is Harrah's Lake Tahoe (No. 6).

About mid-1960s, the original Harrah's Club on the corner next to Harveys was rebranded as Harrah's Thrifty Gambler. Harrah's ultimately sold that corner property to Harveys.



No. 6 – Photo/Bill Kingman



No. 7 – Photo/Bill Kingman

As destiny has determined, it was Harrah's in 2001 that purchased all of Harveys which includes the original 1955 Harrah's Club corner location (No. 7).

— Bill Kingman

S. Tahoe gathering input on outdoor displays

South Lake Tahoe is hosting a community meeting to receive public input on outdoor displays in front of businesses.

The meeting is Jan. 30 from 5:30-7pm at Lake Tahoe Airport.

Item to be discusses include:

- Should additional commercial area be allowed in front of businesses? If so, how much?
- Should any types of commercial retail products be allowed?
- Should the products be related to the business or ancillary to the business?