Tahoe Improv Players putting on benefit show

The last chance to see the Tahoe Improv Players this season is Oct. 4.

The group is putting on a benefit performance for Unity at the Lake.

The event start at 7:30pm.

Unity is at 1195 Rufus Allen Blvd., South Lake Tahoe. (Across from the city recreation center).

To purchase a $10 ticket, call (530) 544.2266.

Class to offer understanding of tax codes

There have been more than 1,300 federal and state tax code changes in the past year. For those who want to know more and how they apply to their lives and the lives of others, H&R Block in South Lake Tahoe is offering an income tax course.

The class, along with a job fair is Sept. 11 in South Lake Tahoe. Recruiters for the classes and jobs will be at the Emerald Bay Road office between 10am and 4pm.

The course teaches the skills necessary to become a professional tax preparer and is helpful for people who want to better understand their own taxes.

To enroll, call (916) 284.9600.

Autumn Fest celebrates changing seasons

Celebrate the changing of the seasons and community wellness at Autumn Fest on Sept. 21.

The day will be filled with family fun including: local music, wellness talks and activities, fall family portraits, food, produce, pumpkin patch, kids crafts, and more.

This free event benefits the Lake Tahoe Community College Demo Garden.

The 11am-4pm event is at the garden.

Then and now: Cecil’s Market a cornerstone of Tahoe



Cecil’s Market in 1947. Photo/Lake Tahoe Historical Society

The landmark Cecil’s Market on Highway 50 near Stateline existed from the 1930s to 2001.

Today the market is located in the succeeding Heavenly Village complex.

The dirt driveway adjacent to the right of the original Cecil’s led to Jack Van Sickle’s Stateline Stables, also serving as the entrance to the original Tahoe Drive-In Theater until 1956.



The driveway later became Park Avenue. That section of which now is named Heavenly Village Way at the stoplight where Cecil’s stood for so long (2002 photo by me).

– Bill Kingman

Hwy. 267 work to impact motorists

Motorists can expect delays on Highway 267 next week.

Caltrans is having a contractor grind and repave 2.2 miles from just south of Brockway Summit to Stewart Way in Kings Beach. The cost of the contract is $800,000.

One-way traffic control will be from 7am-6pm Monday through Thursday. Work may extend to Friday and into the following week, but the project will be done well in advance of Ironman Lake Tahoe on Sept. 22. The bicycle course includes that section of the highway.

Motorists can expect up to 15-minute delays traveling through the work zone.

Fire Fest teaches all ages about safety

Fire Fest is an annual event that highlights fire and life safety for children and families.

This year’s free event is Sept. 28 from 10am-3pm at Lake Tahoe Airport.

Helicopters will star at Fire Fest as they land at the airport. Sit in a fire truck, escape from the smoke house, wear firefighting equipment, squirt fire hoses, play in a bounce house, meet Smokey Bear and Sparky, watch fire departments compete, and learn about fire resistant

construction.

For more information, contact Jeanne Lear at (530) 542.8366 or Leona Allen at (530) 577.3737.

Washoe County offering emergency training

Washoe County residents who want to be better prepared for an emergency may participate in the free Community Emergency Response Team training offered by the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Citizen Corps.

Topics include disaster preparedness, emergency medical techniques, fire safety, search and rescue, disaster psychology, and terrorism awareness.

The training is free and trainees are not required to become a Citizen Corps volunteer.

The 26-hour training course is Sept. 19-21 and Sept. 26-28.

No special skills are required. Children 12-15 may participate with parent's supervision, and teens ages 16-17 with parent's permission.

To enroll in this free training, call (775) 325.6927 or (775) 325.6928, or email drussell@washoecounty.us.

Snippets about Lake Tahoe



• The Olympic Valley residence at 254 Granite Chief Road sold for $8.5 million – breaking the previous highest priced home for this area by nearly $3 million.

• Melissa Ewing, law enforcement program support assistant for the Tahoe National Forest and the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, is the recipient of the national 2012 Law Enforcement and Investigations Outstanding Administrative Support Services award.

• Just Downstream: Water Culture & Water Governance at Pyramid Lake is the subject of a free lecture on Nov. 14 at 5:30pm at Tahoe Center for Environmental Science, 291 Country Club Drive, Incline Village.

• The Weber Creek Bridge on the El Dorado Trail will be closed for maintenance from Sept. 16-19 from 7am-4pm each day. The trail will remain open to the bridge on both sides, but there will be no access across the bridge during these dates and times.

• The Meyers Area Plan will be discussed Sept. 11 from 6-9pm at the CCC dining hall at 1949 Apache Ave., Meyers.

Lecture all about low back

pain issues

Doctors Michael Fry and Peter Costa will give a lecture titled Back Pain: Prevention & Treatment on Sept. 19 from 6-7pm.

The free talk is at Lake Tahoe Community College, Room A208, South Lake Tahoe.

Attendees will find out what treatment options are available for low back pain, learn why back pain may be associated with leg pain, why surgery may or may not be right for you, and what exercises you can do that can help strengthen your back and relieve your pain.

For more info, call (530) 543.5537.

Snippets about Lake Tahoe



• Zephyr Cove Marina is selling boat fuel again after not doing so for the past two years. The station opens daily at 9am.

• Discover powerful strategies to strengthen your leadership and communication skills at Trade Up! Presented by The Institute for Women's Leadership. The event is Oct. 4 from 9am-5pm at the Sierra Arts Gallery in Reno. All proceeds benefit Zawadisha, a local nonprofit whose mission is to empower, entrust, and expand opportunities for women. For more info or to register, go online.

• Cal Neva, Frank Sinatra's old place, is going to be gutted,

with the goal to reopen in December 2014.

• Ironman Lake Tahoe needs volunteers for the Sept. 22 event. For more info, contact Sean Sweeney at laketahoe@ironmanvolunteers.com.

• Ruffwear Doggone Van Tour is stopping by Dog Dog Cat (4000 Lake Tahoe Blvd., Suite C-17, South Lake Tahoe) on Sept. 14 from 1:30-4pm.