

Liberty contending with outages, scammers

Liberty Utilities' customers in the Kings Beach area have experienced outages on and off since Nov. 9 because of NV Energy's equipment failure in the Incline Village area.

Liberty is taking service from NV Energy's feed to the Kings Beach area while its Brockway substation is shut down for repairs. Those repairs are on schedule to be done by Tuesday evening, at which time Liberty plans to switch back to Brockway sub for those customers.

Also, Nov. 13-17 is Utility Scam Awareness Week. Last week, two commercial customers contacted Liberty's office to report scam attempts.

If you suspect a scammer has called you in person or by voice message, hang up immediately and call 800.782.2506.

Snippets about Lake Tahoe

- Brian Hogan is the newest board member for Lake Valley Fire Protection District. He will be filling the seat vacated by Robert Rossi.
- Veterans Healing Camp is having a flag raising ceremony Nov. 18 from noon to 3pm at the camp; 1775 East Highway 50 in Silver Springs.
- Douglas County libraries in Minden and Zephyr Cove will be closed Nov. 23-24.

- The National Commission on Correctional Health Care awarded Douglas County Sheriff's Office custodial facility of the year. This is out of more than 500 jails and prisons across the nation.
 - Tahoe City Rotarians planted 240 sugar pine seedlings near the Granlibakken ropes course.
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- *U.S. News & World Report* has Lake Tahoe in the top five for best small towns to visit in the U.S.
 - Barton Health's survivors of suicide loss support group meets Dec. 28, 6-7pm at 2092 Lake Tahoe Blvd., Suite 400, South Lake Tahoe.
 - Santa will be at Tahoe Donner's pancake breakfast on Dec. 25.
 - California Harvest Tour 2017 will feature A-Plus (Hieroglyphics / Souls of Mischief) Aceyalone (Freestyle Fellowship) plus: Ekierto, Z-Man, True Justice Tip-C and (R)Styles at Whiskey Dicks Saloon on Nov. 18. Must be 21 to attend. Doors open at 9pm. Cost is \$20.
 - Here is the Sierra roadwork schedule from Caltrans for the week.
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NAMI seminar focuses on friends, family

The National Alliance on Mental Illness is putting on a free four-hour seminar for family and friends on Nov. 15 from 5-9pm at Lake Tahoe Community College.

Participants will learn about diagnosis, treatment, recovery, communication strategies, crisis preparation and NAMI resources.

Seminar leaders are family members who know what it's like to have a loved one with mental health condition.

To register, go **online**.

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- Meyers tree lighting and the arrival of Santa via Calstar will be Dec. 1, 5-7pm in the Divided Sky/Downtown Café parking lot.
- The North Lake Tahoe-Truckee Leadership Program is accepting applications for the 2018 program through Dec. 1. Applications are available **online**.
- Bijou Bike Park in South Lake Tahoe is closed for the season.
- Tahoe Institute for Natural Science we will be hosting another birding big year in 2018. **Registration** opens Dec. 1.
- Barton Foundation's inaugural volunteer of the year

award went to Marsha Ticas. She has volunteered hundreds of hours and was instrumental in implementing the mental health kiosks in key South Lake Tahoe locations that provide education and resources to people in need of services.

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- Barton Hospice's Light Up a Life Ceremony is Dec. 13 from 6-7:30pm at Edgewood Tahoe's north room. This is an opportunity to celebrate the memory of loved ones. This nondenominational event is intended for anyone feeling the loss of a loved one, not just those served by hospice. For further information or to share an honoree, call 530.543.5581 or email Tina Bruess at tbruess@bartonhealth.org.

- South Lake Tahoe Fire Rescue will be hosting a blood drive on Nov. 27 from 9am-1pm at station No. 3 located at 2101 Lake Tahoe Blvd. To schedule an appointment, contact Kim George at 530.307.9596.

- Douglas County sheriff's Capt. Dan Coverley is running for sheriff.

- The Tahoe Choir and Lake Tahoe Community College Chorus holiday concert will be in the LTCC Duke Theatre Dec. 1 at 7:30pm and at St. Theresa Catholic Church on Dec. 3 at 3pm. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for students and seniors, free for children under 5.

- Find handmade unique holiday gifts at the Tahoe Art League holiday boutique from Nov. 25-Jan. 1 at 3062 Lake Tahoe Blvd., South Lake Tahoe.

South Lake Tahoe providing free sand bags

With the rainy-snowy season here, South Lake Tahoe is reminding residents that sand bags are available at no cost year round.

Sand and sand bags are available at the city's public works yard located at 1160 Rufus Allen Blvd. as well as South Lake Tahoe Fire Rescue Station No. 3 at 2101 Lake Tahoe Blvd.

Residents fill their own bags and transport back to their own residence. Try to limit the number of bags to 10 per visit.

Sierra putting on Pray for Snow Party

Sierra-at-Tahoe's Pray for Snow Party on Nov. 18 will be a dance fest of sorts.

Due to noise curfews the music will be pumped through distributed wireless headphones instead of the speakers.

Extra emphasis will be put on the snow dance this year.

The free silent disco and movie night will go from 5-10pm at Lake Tahoe AleWorX in South Lake Tahoe. All ages welcome.

Do you want more money this winter?

With the changing seasons, it's time to think about how you are going to attract customers to your business this winter.

Online news sites – *Lake Tahoe News* included – are continuing to attract more readers, while print readership declines. Your business needs to be advertising where your customers are.

Lake Tahoe News is being read in thousands of cities and about 100 countries. We are reaching locals, tourists, and second homeowners – the same people you want to walk through your doors.

Let *Lake Tahoe News* help bring you more customers with one of our ad campaigns.

Send us an email at info@LakeTahoeNews.net with "Want to Advertise" in the subject line to get started.

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- Tahoe Writers Works, Tahoe's longest-running writing group, meets every other Tuesday at Bona Fide HQ in Meyers. The next meeting is Nov. 21. For more info, go **online**.

- California's average per gallon price of gasoline reached \$3.21 on Nov. 6. This is 12 cents higher than in Hawaii, which previously had the priciest gasoline, according

to the fuel tracking website GasBuddy.com.

- State Sen. Ted Gaines, R-El Dorado, earned a perfect score on the California Chamber of Commerce's 2017 Legislative Vote Record. He was one of 10 state legislators out of the 120 Assembly and Senate members to receive the top score.

- Douglas County commissioners will be attending a budget priority session and budget kickoff on Nov. 17 at 1:30pm in Minden.

- Barton Health's perinatal challenges support group is every Monday from 5:30-6:30pm at 1077B 4th St., South Lake Tahoe. This group is for expecting parents or a new parent looking for people who understand what you are going through. All parents with perinatal mood and anxiety challenges welcome. Sign up **online** under Support Groups. Email fit@bartonhealth.org or call 530.543.5549 for more information.