Book signing at Incline ice cream shop

Author Ryan Shea will be in Incline on Aug. 31 signing his book.

The Fernley resident has written “The Adventures of Bob: To Doodledip for Soup”.

The signing will be from 1-3pm at Susie Scoops Ice Cream, 869 Tahoe Blvd., Incline Village.

For more information, contact Michelle Whitman at 877.727.0697 or michelle@keymgc.com.

Placer County offering Community Awareness Academy

Placer County Sheriff’s Office’s eight-session Community Awareness Academy is Sept. 4-30.

Classes are Monday and Wednesday nights from 6-9 at the department’s headquarters, 2929 Richardson Drive, Auburn.

To register or for more info, contact Kim Rivera at (530) 889.6922 or krivera @placer.ca.gov.

Incline may require bear-resistant trash cans

Incline Village has delayed making a decision on whether bear-resistant garbage cans will be mandatory.

Waste Management Inc. representatives will give a presentation Sept. 25 to the Incline Village General Improvement District board.

Nevada Department of Wildlife officials said of the 237 human-bear conflicts in Northern Nevada in 2012, 22 percent were in Incline Village.

The number of conflicts is on the rise. Much of it has to do with bears getting into garbage. This is also causing more human-human conflicts when traps are set and bears are killed.

Each of the 4,200 single-family homes in Incline may have to pay $250 for the containers.

– Lake Tahoe News staff report

Then and now: Camp Rich's pier, boats change



Boats at Camp Richardson looked a little different in 1946 than they do today. Photo/Pomona Public Library Frasher Fotos Collection

The 1946 black-and-white photo, above, shows the early Camp Richardson pier as viewed from the center of the Camp Rich beachfront.



My 1959 color slide, left, shows the pier viewed from the other side, at the west edge of Camp Rich bordering the Valhalla site. Camp Richardson then still was operated by family member Sis Richardson Knisley, years before selling to the U.S. Forest Service in about 1970.

The rental shack seen at the right had kayaks, paddleboards, and something very new. Personal watercraft as we know them today were yet to come, but my 1959 photo, below, shows their

infancy. That is me at the Camp Rich pier rentals receiving instruction on how to straddle over a gasoline can on two plastic pontoons strapped together with a 25-horsepower outboard motor. Standing and gripping the cross-bar, I'd lean left or right to steer this craft. Do you think anything like this could be allowed today? I made several treks from Camp Rich to Emerald Bay circling Fannette Island and back, and I'm still here.





All the above is gone now, evidenced by this photo, left, which I took this month from the same vantage point as 1959.

– Bill Kingman

Scam artists ask 'family' to send bail money

The Washoe County Sheriff's Office Detention Facility has seen an increase in calls by individuals reporting they were notified that a friend or family member had been arrested and needed money for bail.

It's really a scam.

These scams usually involve someone claiming to be a representative of a law enforcement agency, a friend of the alleged arrestee, or someone posing as the person arrested. They often ask for wire transfers through services such as Western Union.

The sheriff’s office does not accept services such as Western Union and does not notify family of arrests.

To report an incident of fraud, contact your local law enforcement agency or report the incident to the Internet Crime Complaint Center online.

Grant money available for groups helping kids

The El Dorado Community Foundation has $70,000 to give away for programs and services that enhance the lives of youth in the Lake Tahoe Basin.

Nonprofit organizations, churches, schools and service organizations whose programs enrich the lives of children in the area have until Sept. 16 to apply. Grants of up to $5,000 will be considered with funding issued in the fall.

Applications and more information is online.

S. Tahoe bike park subject of meeting

For the last two years TAMBA and the South Lake Tahoe BMX Association have been in talks with South Lake Tahoe officials about creating bike park in Bijou Community Park.

After initially getting the green light to move forward, there have been many hurdles.

The city would like the bike park be included in a Park, Trails, and Recreation Master Plan currently being completed by an independent consultant.

There is a focus group meeting open to the public on Aug. 22 from 7-8:30pm at Lake Tahoe Airport.

Rider to retell experience of 450-mile solo horseback

This summer, one woman, one horse, and one dog began at the Utah border and journeyed across Nevada – up and over 14 mountain ranges, ending in Reno one month later.

Along the way they battled wild weather, wild animals, and wild terrain – in an effort to encourage wild horse adoption.

Local equestrienne Samantha Szesciorka will give a detailed presentation on her 450-mile solo horseback ride on Aug. 24 at

4pm at the Wilbur D. May Museum at Rancho San Rafael Regional Park in Reno.

Cost is $5.

Toy run benefits Christmas Cheer

The 23rd annual Tahoe Toy Run is Oct. 5.

Line up at Horizon casino in Stateline at 10am. At noon riders will depart for Brother's Bar & Grill, 888 Emerald Bay Road, South Lake Tahoe.

Entry fee is one new toy. This is to benefit Christmas Cheer.

Live music, food, drinks and a raffle will continue at Brother's.

Talk to focus on autism

Sally Rogers with the UC Davis MIND Institute will give a presentation on the latest findings on effects of intervention on the youngest children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

The talk is Aug. 22 at 6pm at the Tahoe Center for Environmental Sciences, Sierra Nevada College, Incline Village. Cost is $5.

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younger and younger children being identified with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), and the effects of interventions that focus on this age group.

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