

Free flu shots in Douglas County

On Oct. 6, Douglas County Emergency Management and Carson City Health & Human Services, along with several community partners, are hosting a free drive-through flu shot clinic at Douglas High School in Minden.

This event is open to the general public.

The flu shot and the nasal spray will be available.

The clinic is from 9am to 1pm.

Cash prizes for radon poster contest

Nevada children are invited to showcase their artistic talents to promote radon awareness by entering the 2013 Nevada Radon Poster Contest by Oct. 15.

The contest is open to children ages 9-14 who are enrolled in a public, private, territorial, tribal, Department of Defense, or home school. Children can also enter through a sponsoring club, such as an art, computer, reading, science, scouting organization, or 4-H club.

Entries are free, but are limited to one entry per child.

Posters should follow these five topics: 1) What is radon? 2) Where does radon come from? 3) How does radon get into our

homes? 4) Radon can cause lung cancer, and 4) Test your home for radon.

Cash prizes for the top five Nevada entries are: \$80 for first place, \$60 for second, \$40 for third and \$20 for fourth and fifth place winners. The top three Nevada poster entries are also awarded cash prizes for their teachers, or sponsoring organization's representative, and are entered in the national contest. National contest winners receive \$1,000 for first place, \$600 for second, \$400 for third, and \$400 for special online voting recognition.

National winners will receive recognition and the posters will be reproduced and distributed nationally to promote radon awareness.

For contest rules, requirements and information, go online.

Snippets about Lake Tahoe



- An Al Tahoe neighborhood workshop will be Oct. 9 from 6-8pm at South Tahoe Middle School. It will include updates on Al Tahoe planning projects including Harrison Avenue improvements, district parking solutions and Lakeview Commons event planning.
- Evelyn Yonker sold the Markleeville Art Gallery to Laura Barr. It's now called Markleeville Art & Soul.
- South Lake Tahoe planning commissioners will have a public hearing about improvements to Linear Park on Oct. 11 at 10am at Lake Tahoe Airport.

- Tahoe City Downtown Association is hosting the 8th annual Tahoe City Harvest Festival Oct. 6-20.
 - Campo restaurant in Reno has been named one of the best new American restaurants for 2012 by *Esquire* magazine. Mark Estee is chef-owner.
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Austin's House looking for donors

Austin's House, an emergency children's shelter located centrally near the Douglas/Carson border, is celebrating five years of providing compassionate care for children in crisis by launching its inaugural annual campaign the 2012 Appeal for Kids.

The facility was built entirely with donations from our generous community and opened in September 2007.

The community support has been tremendous, but raising the funds necessary to take care of children in crisis who must be removed from their homes is always a challenge for Austin's House.

Austin's House board is looking to improve the situation by supplementing fundraising efforts with more repetitive giving going forward.

As part of the campaign there are giving levels for every budget. The Daily Club is a \$100 donation that will care for one child for one day. Other donation levels include the Food Club, Professional Club, and the Go Green Club. These plans

pay for a major annual expense such as groceries, insurance, or utilities. Room sponsorship is another giving option.

Anyone interested in learning more about Austin's House, about its campaign or in making a donation can contact Austin's House at (775) 267.6711.

Expect delays traveling near Northstar



Caltrans is alerting motorists that up to 15-minute delays are expected on Highway 267 near Northstar on Wednesday and Thursday.

Crews will continue grinding and paving from shoulder to shoulder as part of a maintenance project.

Delays Oct 3-4 will be from 7am to 5pm. Expect one-way traffic controls from Highland View Road to Northstar Drive.

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- A free shuttle is available for people visiting Apple Hill on weekends in October. Click on the flyer for details.

- *Lake Tahoe News* will be giving away two tickets to the November wine tasting put on by Soroptimist International South Lake Tahoe. Details on how to win will be posted soon. But first you must be part of the NEWS Team. All you have to do is become a paid subscriber.

- El Dorado County Department of Child Support Services as of Oct. 1 is located at 3368 Lake Tahoe Blvd., South Lake Tahoe.

- TJ Maxx in South Lake Tahoe has changed its opening date to Nov. 11.

- There will be a free blessing of the animals event at St. Theresa Church's parking lot in South Lake Tahoe on Oct. 4 at 4:30pm. All animals and faiths welcome.

Placer County needs people to work on Election Day

Placer County Office of Elections is recruiting poll workers for the Nov. 6 election.

Listed below are the positions and pay rates. All poll workers

must be able to work from 6am-9pm on Election Day.

Inspector: \$100 for the day, plus training class pay.

Judge: \$90 for the day, plus training class pay.

Clerks: \$85 for the day, plus training pay if you attend.

For more information, contact Lora Lashly at (530-) 886.5667 or Randi Greco at (530) 886.5671.

Learn the ins and out of Medicare

Medicare expert Margaret Reilly will host a community forum explaining Medicare and health insurance on Oct. 3 from 12:30-2pm at the South Lake Tahoe Parks and Recreation facility located at 1180 Rufus Allen Blvd.

This meeting is for anyone who currently has or is soon to have Medicare as their primary health insurance. This meeting should also be helpful for anyone who helps relatives or friends with Medicare.

Reilly is the program manager for HICAP, California's Health Insurance Assistance Program, and is an expert on Medicare.

There is no cost to attend this event.

Placer County meeting to focus on Tahoe community plans

Placer County is having a town hall meeting on the Lake Tahoe Basin Community Plan update on Oct. 17 in Kings Beach.

The meeting will take place at 6pm in the North Tahoe Event Center, 8318 North Lake Blvd.

The meeting will be a chance for community members to learn more about the update process, the status of the community plan update, and the work being done by the county's community plan working groups.

Placer County currently has nine community plans for the Tahoe basin. Most are joint planning documents developed about 20 years ago by the county and the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency.

TRPA is in the process of updating its Regional Plan, and all community plans within the Tahoe basin must be consistent with the Regional Plan.

Through its update process, Placer County intends to consolidate the nine plans into a single policy document with four planning areas. Each planning area will have its own distinct zoning ordinance and community-specific design guidelines.

The four planning areas include:

- North Tahoe East, which covers Kings Beach and the state line community;
- Greater Tahoe City, which includes Tahoe City, Tahoe City Gateway, Lake Forest, and Dollar Hill;

- North Tahoe West, which includes Carnelian Bay and Tahoe Vista; and
- The West Shore, which includes Sunnyside, Homewood and Tahoma.

For more information about the town hall meeting and community plan update process, contact Supervising Planner Crystal Jacobsen at (530) 745.3085 or cjacobse@placer.ca.gov.

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- The first South Lake Tahoe City Council forum is Oct. 1 at 11am at Inn by the Lake.

- Soroptimist International South Lake Tahoe's annual wine tasting is Nov. 2, 6pm at Harrah's Lake Tahoe.
- You obviously like to get your news digitally. This story proves you aren't alone. It should also be telling you your customers are online. Is your business advertising online? If not, let *Lake Tahoe News* help you launch your online ad campaign. Drop an email to info@LakeTahoeNews.net with "want to advertise" in the subject line.
- Here is the roadwork schedule from Caltrans for El Dorado-Tahoe and Sierra.
- Hear what South Shore's Glen Plake has to say about his experience surviving an avalanche in Nepal: