Snippets about Lake Tahoe

· The inaugural Lake Tahoe Corn Hole Championships will be Sept. 24 at MontBleu in Stateline. Doors open at noon, advanced tickets $15 plus taxes and fees, $50 to enter the tournament. Must be 21 years or older. Fourteen teams of two will compete. For more info, call 775.588.3515.

· Lake Tahoe South Shore Chamber of Commerce in partnership with the ADVANCE Learn, Earn, Grow program is conducting a five-star guest service boot camp Sept. 25-28 and Oct. 2-5 from noon-4pm each day. For more info or to register, email ndavenport@ltcc.edu.

· National Brotherhood of Skiers has selected Squaw Valley Alpine Meadows to host its next NBS Black Summit. The event will run March 3-10.

· Tahoe Douglas Fire Protection District does free car seat inspections. Call 775.588.3591 to make an appointment.

· On Nevada Public Lands Day (Sept. 30) fees will be waived at Nevada's state parks. This includes entrance, camping (Saturday night), and boating, where applicable.

Learn how to market a business on a budget

Small businesses interested in marketing their business are invited to attend a small business seminar on Sept. 29, 8-9:30am at the North Tahoe PUD office in Tahoe Vista.

The seminar is free for members of the North Tahoe Business

Association, Tahoe City Downtown Association, and North Lake Tahoe Resort Association and $20 for non-members.

The seminar will be lead by Melissa Forziat, a small business strategic marketing coach and event manager. She will cover:building referrals, customer retention and recognition, online marketing, in-person networking.

To register and for more information, go **online**.

Mutt Strut becoming one big dog party

The annual Mutt Strut will begin at Lakeview Commons in South Lake Tahoe at noon on Oct. 1 and will end at Tahoe Beach Retreat.

There will be music and games, plus a raffle, and a big lake to play in.

A big change this year is there are no fees. Tahoe Animal Coalition decided to turn the event into a big community dog walk, minus the poker run.

But that doesn’t mean the nonprofit isn’t accepting donations.

ACT is now running the only spay-neuter program in the South Tahoe area, and that requires money to keep it going. A raffle will help raise money for the group.

Expect delays near Y in SLT on Friday

Expect lane closures on Highway 50 in South Lake Tahoe on Friday for paving and striping work.

Weather prevented the work on Wednesday and again Thursday, so Highway 50 will be reduced to one lane in each direction from Dunlap Drive to Winnemucca Avenue on Sept. 21 from about 11am-5pm. Work normally ceases at 11am on Fridays.

The work again will be dependent on weather and temperature conditions.

For more information on Caltrans' highway projects in the basin, go **online**.

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· Tahoe Donner PUD has upgraded its energy-saving lighting programs. Qualifying customers may get up to 32 free LED light bulbs. For more info, call 530.587.3896.

· Child Advocates of El Dorado County will receive a $10,000 donation from Cumbre Insurance Services.

· North Tahoe Business Association's fundraiser, Passport to Dining, is set for Nov. 9, 6-9pm at the Tahoe Biltmore. For more info and to buy tickets, go **online**.

· TART is offering free night service between Crystal Bay and Squaw Valley until 10pm and between Tahoe City and Tahoma until 9:30pm. Go **online** for the fall route schedule.

· The Douglas County Planning Commission needs another member. **Applications** are due Oct. 18 at 4pm.

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· South Lake Tahoe City Council reset meeting dates for the rest of the year. Oct. 3 will be a special meeting with the focus on vacation rentals. The following are regular meetings: Oct. 17, Nov. 7 and Dec. 12.

· Caltrans is closing Highway 4 for pavement repair work on Sept. 27. The closure will be in effect from gate No. 2 (east of Lake Alpine) to Highland Lake Road from 7am-4pm.There is no local detour available. Motorists should consider highways 88 or 108 as alternate routes.

· South Lake Tahoe is offering an American Red Cross certified lifeguard training course in October. For more info, go **online**.

· California Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon appointed Adam Acosta to fill the public member seat vacated by John Hooper on the California Tahoe Conservancy board.

· The Minden Library will be closed Oct. 2-7 for an upgrade to the collection.

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· Troy Matthews is leaving Tahoe Youth & Family Services to be executive director of the Barton Foundation.

· The Nevada Department of Agriculture signed an agreement with Food Bank of Northern Nevada to provide emergency food assistance to the 95,000 food-insecure individuals in Churchill, Douglas, Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, Lyon, Mineral, Pershing, Storey, Washoe and White Pine counties.

· Cram-A-Cruiser event, which benefits B&B 4 Kids, will be Sept. 30 from 10am-3pm at Grocery Outlet in South Lake Tahoe.

· The Sept. 29 unveiling of Champions Plaza in South Lake Tahoe has been canceled because the statue is not ready. It's anticipated the unveiling will be later this year.

NDOT seeks input from Tahoe residents about transportation

The Nevada Department of Transportation is developing the One Nevada Transportation Plan that will guide transportation investments in the state for the next 20 years. The plan aims to prioritize investments and needs across the state to maximize benefits to the public.

NDOT wants to hear from the Lake Tahoe residents about their transportation priorities.

NDOT and Tahoe Regional Planning Agency staff are having a public workshop on Sept. 21 from 5-7pm at the TRPA offices on Market Street in Stateline.

Free car seat inspection at Meyers CHP

The California Highway Patrol office in Meyers is offering to check car seats for free.

On Sept. 23 from 9am-1pm a certified child safety technician will ensure the seats are installed correctly.

The CHP office is located on Hopi Avenue.

Contact Officer Ruth Loehr at 530.577.1001 for questions and to make an appointment.

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· El Dorado County Board of Supervisors is scheduled on Sept. 19 to approve the 2017-18 $569 million operating budget.

· The 55th annual North Tahoe PTO Ski Swap & Pumpkin Festival returns to Homewood Mountain Resort on Oct. 21 from 11am-4pm.

· Placer County Board of Supervisors will consider

adoption of the county’s 2017-18 final budget at the Sept. 19 meeting in Auburn.

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

· The Alpine Aspen Festival is a celebration of the beauty and vital role of aspen groves in providing clean water to millions of Californians and Nevadans. This year’s festival will include educational hikes, artist workshops, conservation projects, music, and more. It will be Oct. 7-8, 9am-4pm on Blue Lakes Road off Highway 88.