

Lake Valley has money for fuels reduction on vacant lots

Lake Valley firefighters have \$100,000 to help property owners in the North Upper Truckee neighborhood to clear away hazardous fuels – as in overgrown trees and brush.

The grant from the state via Proposition 40 can only be used to work on vacant lots. A matching fee of \$600 from the property owner is required, though Lake Valley has no cap on what it will spend per property.

No trees with a diameter of more than 14 inches will be removed. And work will only be for fire hazard mitigation.

For more information, call (530) 577.2447.

Warning from USPS about email scam

An email scam is just that – a scam, the U.S. Postal Service warns.

The email appears to be from the post office talking about package delivery or possible online charges, but when people click on the link it installs a virus that can steal personal information.

Report suspicious emails to 800.275.8777 or spam@uspis.gov.

Snippets about Lake Tahoe



- South Tahoe Public Utility District is having a 6pm May 10 meeting to go over its budget. A 5 percent increase in sewer rates and 2 percent hike in water rates are being proposed.

- Tahoe City Downtown Association's 2nd annual Farm to Table Dinner is July 10. More information is online.
 - Truckee needs poll workers. Call (530) 265.1298 for info and to sign up.
 - Volunteer drivers are needed for home delivered meal service in South Lake Tahoe. For information, call (530) 621.6160.
 - Northstar's Mountain Bike and Hike Park is scheduled to open June 15. Weather and conditions permitting, and will be open Friday through Sunday until July 1 when it will be open daily until Aug. 19. Following that, the park will resume Friday through Sunday operations until Oct. 7.
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Early Mother's Day event in South Lake Tahoe

Barton Health is putting on "Mom's Morning Out" – a free event celebrating motherhood.

The event is May 5 from 10am-noon at Lake Tahoe Community College. This event is for new moms, soccer moms, mothers experiencing an empty nest, and all other types of moms.

The following will be available for every stage of motherhood:

Talks provided by local health experts

Wellness booths

Hands-on CPR Lessons with Barton University

Light brunch buffet

Hand scrub treatments

Chair massage.

Go online to RSVP, or call (530) 543-5615 or e-mail publicrelations@bartonhealth.org.

Understory near Markleeville to be cleared via burning

The U.S. Forest Service is planning to burn the understory near Grover's Hot Spring State Park in the next week.



Approximately 33 acres of understory vegetation will be treated to reduce build-up of trees and brush that can cause more intense wildland fires.

Fire crews are currently monitoring weather conditions to identify time frames that would be suitable for effective prescribed burning of brush and understory vegetation. This controlled burn will only be implemented when specific weather conditions permit.

Visitors and residents can expect to see smoke in the Markleeville area when the controlled burn occurs.

Realtors expanding scholarship opportunity, looking for donations

In 1988 the South Tahoe Association of Realtors established a scholarship fund to be awarded in the memory of Barbara Kelly, a past president of the board and a founding member of the STAR scholarship committee. This tradition continues today with a few changes. More graduating seniors in the South Tahoe community are eligible to apply. This change is to demonstrate STAR's commitment to supporting all youth in the community who wish to pursue higher education.

Below are the minimum qualifications of applicants:

All graduating seniors within the South Shore community,

including children of STAR agents and affiliate members, are eligible to apply;

Applicant must be bound for college or trade school;

Applicant is highly encouraged to be active in extracurricular activities and/or community service;

Applicant must submit a letter stating his or her short- or long-term goals;

Applicant must submit an application in writing;

A letter of recommendation must be received from someone other than a relative;

The scholarship committee must interview the applicant.

To donate to the scholarship fund, make checks payable to the South Tahoe Association of Realtors and note "STAR Scholarship Fund" in the memo.

For more information, contact Steve Costanza at (530) 318.0325 or the STAR at (530) 541.7007 or STA0R@STA0R.org.

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- The Beach Boys reconfirmed for the original date of July 15 to play at Harveys in Stateline.

- Docents are needed for education centers in Incline Village and Tahoe City. The flyer has more information.

- America's Most Beautiful Bike Ride is June 3 starting on the South Shore and continuing for 72 miles around Lake Tahoe. For more information, go online. Just know that is it already sold-out.
 - Former World Cup champion Tamara McKinney was honored with her own run off KT-22 at Squaw Valley.
 - Placer County Job & Resource Fair is May 4 from 9am-noon at the University of Phoenix, 516 Gibson Drive, Roseville.
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Pile burning in Kingsbury Grade area

U.S. Forest Service fuels management crews continue prescribed fire operations on Kingsbury Grade near Andria Drive this week, weather permitting.



Residents and visitors can expect to see smoke from this prescribed fire project area. The Forest Service strives to minimize the impacts of smoke on local communities. Smoke-sensitive residents should consider staying indoors and keeping doors, windows and outside vents closed. To directly receive prescribed fire updates, send an email to pa_ltbmu@fs.fed.us.

Forest Service staff will post road signs around areas affected by prescribed fire, and update the local fire information line at (530) 543.2600, No. 6. Other federal, state and local fire management agencies may also be

conducting prescribed fire work during this period.

Dinner benefits Truckee Donner Land Trust

The Truckee Donner Land Trust benefit dinner at the River Ranch is June 7.

The restaurant will donate 30 percent of of the evening's proceeds to the land trust. Reservations (530.583.4264) must be made at least a day in advance, and diners must say they are dining for the Truckee Donner Land Trust.

The event is from 6-9pm. River Ranch is on the corner of Highway 89 and Alpine Meadows Road.

Sailing community invited to pasta feed

Lake Tahoe Windjammers is having a Getting to Know You Pasta Feed on April 28 at 6pm.

The event is at the Yacht Club Room in Tahoe Keys Marina in

South Lake Tahoe.

The vice commodore is making pasta, but guests are asked to bring an appetizer, salad or dessert.

RSVP or for information contact Ernie at vicecommodorewyc@gmail.com or (775) 771.6869. Anyone interested in sailing is welcome.