

Construction to begin on Truckee animal shelter

After years of preparing, planning, designing and fundraising, the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe, in partnership with the Truckee, will break ground on the animal shelter June 4.

If all goes as planned, the shelter is expected to open in late 2013.

HSTT has partnered with Truckee to share the cost of construction and operation of a new shelter. Approximately 1.5 acres of the town's new corporation yard have been secured at no cost to HSTT. Bids are due by April 26 at 2pm.

The building will include an education and training center, allowing HSTT to expand its humane education, dog training and pet assisted therapy programs.

To learn more about donating to the capital campaign, call (530) 587.5948.

Classic car show part of Placer County expo

Placer County Sheriff's Council is hosting its third annual expo and classic car show June 2.

Day with a Deputy will be at Regional Park in north Auburn, from 11am-3pm. The free event will also include a classic car

show.

Throughout the day there will be demonstrations by the Sheriff Office's Special Enforcement Team, mounted team, K-9 handlers and their dog partners, the bomb squad, the helicopter crew and more. Vendors will have booths set up on the park grounds and food will be available for purchase.

A classic car show will be included and the public is invited to display their vintage cars. For more information about the car show, call (530) 906.7085.

Snippets about Lake Tahoe



- Suzanne Roberts will be giving a reading at Sierra Nevada College in the Environmental Sciences Building (TCES 139) at 7pm April 13. It is free, and there will be complimentary wine and appetizers. She will be putting on a travel writing workshop on April 14 from 9-noon for \$50. For more information, email robertss@ltcc.edu.
- Want to see a tourism ad campaign that works? Check out what Colorado is doing.
- This year's deadline to file taxes is April 17.
- Advocates of a 2022 Tahoe-Reno Winter Olympics finally figured out having one committee working on the endeavor is better than California and Nevada having separate organizations; so as of last week there is a combined group going after the Games.
- Sugar Bowl will be open daily through at least April 15,

with either daily or Friday-Sunday operations continuing until April 29 based on snow, terrain and weather conditions.

Road work to cause delays on Hwy. 50 near Shingle Springs

Caltrans will be working on Highway 50 in the Shingle Springs area between April 20 and May 14, which will cause traffic delays.



Crews will be building a \$1.6 million wildlife under crossing between Greenstone Road and El Dorado Road.

Expect delays to range from 20 to 50 minutes.

Motorists can expect lane closures:

Westbound on Highway 50 from 7pm to 9am, Friday through Sunday, April 20–30.

Eastbound on Highway 50 from 6pm to 8am, Saturday through Monday, May 5–14.

This schedule is subject to change without notification due to weather conditions and contractor discretion.

Snippets about Lake Tahoe

- Sears in Zephyr Cove is closing April 13.



- Lori Gaskin, former dean of instruction at Lake Tahoe Community College and current president of West Valley College in Saratoga, is one of four finalists for the president-superintendent position at Santa Barbara City College.
 - CalBear – the Calstar bear – is back. Order one online today for \$10, plus shipping and handling.
 - Fireside Pizza Co. in Olympic Valley recently raised \$1,000 for the C.R. Johnson Healing Center.
 - Bryan DeLugo, who had been vice president of casino operations at Red Hawk Casino, has replaced Tracy Mimno as general manager.
 - Here is Caltrans' weekly roadwork schedule for the Sierra and for El Dorado-Tahoe.
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Learn the ins and outs of cleanses

Sierra Cosmetic Laser in Truckee is hosting a Cleanse Informational Night on April 12 from 5:30-7pm.

Haven Ritchie, a doctor of internal medicine, will discuss the correct way to carry out a cleanse. She will also cover misinformation about cleanses and provide advice regarding the pitfalls of unsafe cleansing methods.

For more information, call (530) 587.0198.

El Dorado County has money to loan for home repairs

El Dorado County has funds available as low-interest rate loans for home repairs to income-qualified homeowners in the unincorporated areas of the county. Funding is provided through the State Community Development Block Grant Program and the county's Housing Rehabilitation Revolving Loan Funds.

These Housing Rehabilitation loans must be used to correct health and safety issues and to meet code compliance standards. Program loan funds may be used to repair or replace roofs, foundations, plumbing, electrical, heating/air conditioning systems, termite damage and more. The home must be located in an unincorporated area of the county.

To qualify, the household income must fall at or below 80

percent of the area median, based on household size. Current annual maximum household income limits are: one person, \$42,650; two persons, \$48,750; three persons, \$54,850; four persons, \$60,900; five persons, \$65,800; six persons, \$70,650; seven persons, \$75,550; eight persons, \$80,400.

This program is designed to provide financing for homeowners who would not qualify for other types of financing due to limited income. Interest rates are as low as 3 percent for a 15-year loan of up to \$40,000.

For more information about this program, call (530) 642.4863. Loans are available to eligible homeowners on a first-come, first-served basis until funds are exhausted.

LTUSD Looking for kindergartners

Lake Tahoe Unified School District will be conducting the kindergarten “round-up” for the 2012-13 school year from April 30 through May 11.

Children must be 5 on or before Nov. 1.

For transitional kindergarten, children must turn 5 after Nov. 1 and before Dec. 2.



California Law requires:

1. Child's birth certificate;
2. Proof of immunizations, which includes the Varicella (chicken pox), hepatitis B and for most children – the last booster shot;
3. Health examination upon entry to school;
4. Oral health examination upon entry to school;
5. Proof of California residency.

Call your neighborhood school for an appointment to preregister:

Bijou Community School (530) 543.2337

Sierra House Elementary (530) 543.2327

Tahoe Valley Elementary (530) 543.2350

Environmental Science Magnet School (530) 543.2371.

Sugar Pine Foundation having

fundraiser

Sugar Pine Foundation is having a fund-raiser event at the Eagles Nest Lounge at the top of Kingsbury Grade on April 19 from 6-10pm.

This family event will feature a chili cook off, music, a raffle, and activities for the kids. Proceeds to benefit the Sugar Pine Foundation's mission to save the sugar pine and other white pines from Eurasian white pine blister rust.

For more information, go online or call (650) 814.9565.

Tapping, meditation classes at Tahoe Wellness Center

Rosemary Manning will be conducting two classes at the Tahoe Wellness Community Center this month.

Tap-Aware Party is April 17 from 6-7pm. It's free, though donations are accepted.

Meditation For People Who Are Busy, Busy, Busy, Busy! is April 23 from 6-7pm. With a donation of \$5 or more people will receive the book "101 Essentials of Meditation".

Couches are available or bring a pillow to sit on.

Tahoe Wellness Community Center is in the Bijou Center in South Lake Tahoe next to Hot Gossip.

Email tahoehealthtouch@gmail.com with questions.