

Snippets about Lake Tahoe

- Carolyn Wright from Zephyr Cove Tennis Club is now the USTA local area coordinator for the Tahoe-Reno region.
 - Bingo at the Carson City Senior Center on March 18 from 12:30-3:30pm will benefit Train a Dog Save a Warrior.
 - Go for a list of where free radon kits may be obtained in Nevada.
 - Rocks & Rhones wine weekend at five El Dorado County wineries is May 20-21, 11am-4pm. Tickets are \$35/\$40 advance; \$45 at the door, \$20 designated driver. For more info, email info@PleasantValleyWineries.com.
 - AMSOIL Arenacross is one of the most extreme racing environments in the world with athletes competing on man-made dirt battlegrounds built inside the Reno-Sparks Livestock Event Center. It will be March 24-25, 5pm each day. Tickets start at \$15 and available through Ticketmaster.
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A big apology from Lake Tahoe News

I want to apologize to all Lake Tahoe News readers for the difficulty you are having logging onto the news site.

The server crashed because there are so many of you all of a sudden interested primarily in our weather related stories. While on the one hand this is a good thing, I know it is also incredibly frustrating.

We are working to rectify the problem, but it won't be instantaneous.

We are still producing the news every day. So, if you seemed to miss something, it will always be online. Keep logging on and refreshing your browser, we'll be back with uninterrupted service as soon as possible.

– Kathryn Reed, LTN publisher

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- Lake Tahoe Community College and Lake Tahoe Unified School District boards of education will meet together on March 28 at 5pm at the college.
- El Dorado County is accepting nominations for senior of the year. Must be at least 60. Nomination forms are available **online**.
- There will be a blood drive on March 3 starting at 11am at the South Lake Tahoe Recreation Center, 1180 Rufus Allen Blvd.
- Truckee Tavern and Grill's Blueprint of the Cocktails classes will be on Saturdays from 6-7:30pm in July and August. Classes are \$75 per person (gratuity included) and limited to 10 participants ages 21 and older. Reserve a spot by calling 530.587.3766.
- El Dorado County Supervisor Shiva Frentzen is having a for a town hall meeting regarding road conditions in the southern part of the county on Feb. 15 from 6-8pm at Mountain Creek Middle School, 6862 Mt. Aukum Road, Somerset.

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- South Tahoe High and South Tahoe Middle schools have been revalidated AVID National Demonstration Schools, a status each site has achieved since 2000 and 2001, respectively.
- El Dorado County Fair received five first place, three second place and three third place awards at the Western Fairs Association's Convention & Trade Show.
- Douglas County Public Library in Minden will be closed Feb. 20 in observance of Presidents Day.
- **Northstar's master plan** will be before the Placer County supervisors on Feb. 21. The meeting is in Auburn.
- The 8th annual Kid-0-Rama returns to Squaw Valley on Feb. 18-25. All the details are available **online**.

Bunco benefits Truckee hospital, local boy

Snowfest Ladies' Night Out Bunco Bash will raise money for the Gene Upshaw Cancer Center in Truckee, as well as for Tyler Whisler.

The 10-year-old Tahoe boy is being treated for a brain tumor. His dad, Allan, is a battalion chief with North Tahoe Fire Protection District; his mom, Jill, had to quit her hospital job to take of him.

The event is March 8 at 5:30pm at the North Tahoe Event Center in Kings Beach. Cost is \$25.

Chamber mixer to benefit former board member

Lake Tahoe South Shore Chamber of Commerce's After Five Mixer on Feb. 23 will also be a fundraiser for former board member and Getaway Reno Tahoe owner Todd Poth and his family.

The Poth's 5-month-old daughter, Ayah, is currently fighting for her life at the Salt Lake Primary Children's Hospital. In an effort to ease the family's traveling and lodging costs, all proceeds from the event raffle will benefit them.

The mixer at that the Beacon restaurant in Camp Richardson from 5-7:30pm. The cost is \$10 for members and \$20 for others.

Placer County makes it easier to report fraud

Placer County now has a way for employees to anonymously report suspected fraud, waste and abuse.

Supervisors approved a \$6,500 contract with Convercent, a

compliance services provider, so workers can make a report by phone or online 24/7.

The contract, as well as the county's whistleblower program, will be managed by the auditor-controller's office.

The whistleblower hotline service will only be available to Placer County employees initially, but is planned to expand to the public. The hotline is expected to be available in early March.

Caltrans wants input into bike-pedestrian plan

Caltrans is seeking comments on the draft State Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

The document lays out the policies and actions Caltrans and its partner agencies should take to achieve the department's statewide goals to double walking and triple bicycling trips by 2020

The draft plan describes four objectives—safety, mobility, preservation and social equity—with corresponding strategies to bring the plan to reality. The intent is to complement local and regional efforts already under way to create and implement their own active transportation networks.

The comment period will close on March 10. The final plan is anticipated to be completed in April.

For more details about the meetings, webinars and commenting, go **online**.

Tourist traffic in neighborhoods subject of meeting

El Dorado County Supervisor Sue Novasel is hosting a meeting Feb. 13 to discuss tourist traffic congestion.

There is a growing concern from neighborhood residents regarding online map applications that redirect travelers off the main roads and highways, and onto local roads and into neighborhoods.

Representatives from the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office and California Highway Patrol will also be in attendance.

The meeting will be at the CCC headquarters in Meyers in the upstairs conference room starting at 6pm.

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- Registration is open for Tahoe Rim Trail Association's summer youth backcountry camps. For more info, go **online**.
- The North Lake Tahoe Bridal Faire is Feb. 26 from 11am-3pm at the Olympic Village Lodge.
- Paul Wowk, owner of Colorado-based *Snowshoe* magazine,

says Northstar is one of the best places to try snowshoeing for the first time.

- Zion-I and with guests Jon Wayne & the Pain on Feb. 17 will be at Whiskey Dicks Saloon in South Lake Tahoe. Must be 21 or older. Advance tickets are \$18 at The Spot and Whiskey Dicks and **online**. Tickets go up to \$20 on the day of the show. Doors open at 9pm.

- Lake Tahoe South Shore Chamber of Commerce is having a mixer Feb. 23 from 5-7:30pm at the Beacon in Camp Richardson. Cost is \$10 for members, \$20 for others.