

Snippets about Lake Tahoe

- Tree removal for the Highway 89-Fanny Bridge project in Tahoe City will take place from 8am-5:30pm until May, weather permitting.
 - The Carson Ranger District's fire crews have started pile burning in the Arrowhawk fuels reduction project area near Reno in the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest.
 - Santa's annual fly-in at the Truckee airport is Dec. 10 from 10am-3pm.
 - National Park Service is offering 10 free days in 2017: Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Jan. 16, Presidents Day on Feb. 20, National Park Week weekends April 15-16 and April 22-23, National Park Service Birthday on Aug. 25, National Public Lands Day on Sept. 30, and Veterans Day weekend Nov. 11-12.
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USFS needs volunteers for snowshoe program

The U.S. Forest Service Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit is seeking volunteers to assist with the 2017 Winter Trek Conservation Education Program that begins in January.

Shifts will be a minimum of four hours per day, one day per week from Jan. 10-March 30. Winter Trek takes place on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at Heavenly Mountain Resort. Volunteers should be able to snowshoe for at least 90 minutes at an elevation of 9,100 feet without difficulty.

Snowshoes are provided.

Experience working with kids is recommended and volunteers should be comfortable speaking to large groups. Knowledge of Sierra Nevada natural history is a plus. Volunteers must attend the mandatory training session in early January.

For more information about this volunteer opportunity, contact Jean Norman at jdnorman@fs.fed.us.

North Shore resumes ski shuttle, night bus routes

TART, the North Shore bus company, will offer daily service along the North and West Shores with connections to Squaw Valley, Northstar, and Truckee. TART's ski shuttle service will be offered every 30 minutes between Incline Village, Kings Beach, Tahoe Vista, Carnelian Bay, and Tahoe City with connections to Squaw Valley every 30 minutes between 6-8:30am and 4-6pm.

An hourly service will be offered beginning at 6am between Crystal Bay, Kings Beach, Truckee, and Northstar. The Donner Summit shuttle makes a return connecting daily with the Truckee local route.

TART's free night service resumes, offering nightly bus service between Crystal Bay and Squaw Valley, Tahoe City and Tahoma, and Crystal Bay and Northstar until 2am with service continuing until 9pm beginning spring 2017.

For information and schedules, go **online**.

Shoulder surgery topic of lecture

Kyle Swanson is going to talk about the good, bad and ugly of shoulder replacement surgery on Dec. 8.

The Barton physician will also discuss what is shoulder arthritis, types of shoulder replacement and what to expect as a patient going through shoulder replacement surgery.

The free talk is from 5-6pm in the board room at Lake Tahoe Community College.

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- South Lake Tahoe Library is having a Winter Extravaganza on Dec. 10 from 10am-noon. Creation stations will be set up with easy to make, seasonal decorations suitable for all ages. Santa Claus is scheduled to drop by. The library is at 1000 Rufus Allen Blvd.

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

- Veteran real estate advisor Alison Elder has joined Engel & Völkers Lake Tahoe.

- Tahoe Tot Spot in South Lake Tahoe is having a Christmas party Dec. 11 from 10am-noon. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be there, as will a photographer to capture the moment.

Normal open play rates apply and digital pictures can be purchased.

• The Devil Makes Three will play at Harrah's Lake Tahoe on Dec. 29 at 7:30pm.

Commission on Aging seeks members

The El Dorado County Commission on Aging is looking volunteers to be part of the group.

The commission plays an advisory role to the Area Agency on Aging, the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors and the cities of South Lake Tahoe and Placerville on matters of interest to senior residents.

Commissioners need to be able to drive throughout the county to meetings, and represent the commission throughout the county at various meetings and events.

Applicants are being sought from all areas of the county. Preference will be given to those applicants who are 60 years and older.

For an application, contact Jan Haney at 530.642.7276 or at Janice.haney@edcgov.us, or for more info, contact Gerri Grego at 530.545.2839.

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- The South Lake Tahoe pool will be closed starting next week from 12:45-2pm Mondays-Thursdays for the fourth-grade learn to swim program.
 - Brenda Knox, financial advisor with Waddell & Reed, and Heather Satin, attorney and principal of Satin Legal, are hosting a free Q&A session regarding estate planning for entrepreneurs on Dec. 6 from 5:30-7:30pm at Tahoe Mountain Lab, 3079 Harrison Ave., South Lake Tahoe. RSVP by Dec. 5 to Knox at bknoxwradvisors.com or 530.318.5733.
 - Tioga Pass is closed for the season.
 - Mark Gibbs has been hired as the manager of Lake Tahoe Airport.
 - Truckee High School bands will be performing the annual Winter Concert on Dec. 6 at 6:30pm in the school's auditorium.
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Meeting: Property owner's guide to Placer County, TRPA

Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and Placer County staff will give an overview of new and improved processes that help home and business owners make changes to their property.

At the Dec. 13 talk staff highlight recent changes to streamline permitting, online tools, the application process, new area plans and how they are making it easier for the public to navigate. This workshop will include a short

presentation followed by a question-and-answer session.

It is from noon-1:30pm in the Tahoe City Public Utility District board room, 221 Fairway Drive, Tahoe City.

Committee working on stormwater in Douglas County

Douglas County has selected a stormwater advisory committee to review and make recommendations to the county manager.

The county manager will then work with staff to develop recommendations for the Douglas County Board of Commissioners.

The committee has scheduled four public meetings at the Douglas County Community & Senior Center in Gardnerville. Two already occurred in November. The other two are Dec. 5 and Dec. 6 from 6:30-8:30m. The agendas are **online**.

Committee members are: Tom Dallaire, Cameron McKay, Mickie Hempler, Greg Reed, John Lufrano, Larry Offenstein, Danna Meyer, Steve Teshara, Jan Walls, Bob McPherson, Jenifer Davidso, Charlie Condron, Gary Aiazzi, Mark Gonzales, Steve White, Barbara Byington, Roy Pike and Janet Murphy.

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• South Lake Tahoe is having a meeting Dec. 14 from 5:30-7:30pm at the council chambers about the design for the

Tahoe Valley greenbelt.

- Tahoe Donner Cross Country Ski Area is open.
- The annual tree lighting at the North Tahoe Events Center in Kings Beach is Dec. 2 from 5-7pm. Take photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus, live holiday music performances by the Boys & Girls Club of North Lake Tahoe, free holiday crafts, free soup, hot cocoa and more.
- Tahoe National Forest sold-out of its 400 Christmas tree permits in four days.
- The University of California Cooperative is putting on classes to train people to be master food preserver volunteers. The program overview meeting is Jan. 5 in Placerville. Applications are due Jan. 8. More info is **online**.