## 3 fundraisers at Vikingsholm raise money for historic castle

The Sierra State Parks Foundation and California State Parks announces three rare opportunities to drive to the Vikingsholm Castle in Emerald Bay for an enchanted evening on June 21, July 19 and Aug. 15.

Tickets are \$50 per person with proceeds earmarked to provide critically needed funds for the maintenance and repair of the Vikingsholm. Seating is limited to 30 guests and advanced reservations are required by calling (530) 583.9911.

Guests will meet at the visitor center at D.L. Bliss State Park at 4:45pm and then be escorted to Vikingsholm, via carpool, for the two-hour event.

"Conversations with History" will feature a behind-the-scenes tour of the incomparable Vikingsholm. Guests will be treated to viewing areas of the house that are not on the public daily tours. Following the tour, guests will meet in the courtyard where wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

Helen Smith will host an informal conversation about her experiences spending 14 summers at Vikingsholm as the guest of Lora Knight, the original owner of Vikingsholm. Smith will present a signed copy of her book, "Vikingsholm", to every guest to top off the experience.