

Hawthorne-area quakes shake Tahoe residents

Lake Tahoe residents were jolted by two powerful earthquakes today that were centered near Hawthorne.

The first one was recorded at 12:18am Dec. 28. It was 5.8, according the Nevada Seismological Laboratory. Four minutes later a 5.7 temblor hit.

Both were felt by residents of South Lake Tahoe.

A third quake, this one slightly closer to Bridgeport, hit at 12:29am. It measured 3.6. And fourth – 3.5 – struck at 12:48am in the same region. At 12:57am, a 3.9 quake hit.

The 1:08am 3.0 quake was mild in Tahoe compared to the first two.

Dispatch at Mineral County Sheriff's Department told *Lake Tahoe News* there have been no reports of damage as of 12:44am. The movement triggered alarms to go off and a boulder to fall onto the shoulder of Highway 95 at mile marker 64.

– *Lake Tahoe News staff report*