### Bereavement Group meeting

Barton's Hospice "Memory Dish Bereavement Groupâ€□ is Feb. 17 from 3:30-5pm in the Carson Valley Medical Center Administration Building, Gardnerville.

Free, but call for reservations - (775) 782.1510.

### Valentine's Day vow renewals

Renew your love and commitment in a ceremony performed by Hillary & Stew, tailored to your relationship.

Just a few half hour time slots still available in South Lake Tahoe.

A \$50 suggested love offering includes flowers and a photo. Call the office for reservations, (530) 544.2266.

## Haiti benefit concert in Stateline

James Crawford & Friends presents Hands and Hearts for Haiti a benefit concert for disaster relief in Haiti.

Date: Feb. 27

Time: 11am-6pm

Where: Horizon Convention Center, Stateline

What: More than a half dozen bands will play all day

Cost: \$10, tickets at the door or contact James Crawford at

(530) 543.3342 or Paige Rice at (530) 543.1903

All proceeds go to The Salvation Army — Haiti Earthquake Fund.

### Bowling for Unity at the Lake

Bowling Party to raise money for Unity at the Lake's building fund.

When: Feb. 13

Time: 6-8pm

Where: Tahoe Bowl, Freemont Street, South Lake Tahoe

Cost: \$15 or \$20 at the door (\$10 for kids under 12)

What you get: Fun, laughs, bowling shoes, pizza and two games

of bowling

RSVP: paigerice@gmail.com or (530) 543.1903

### Friends of Washoe Meadows

#### ski-snowshoe tour

Friends of Washoe Meadows snowshoe-cross country ski tour is Feb. 27 from 10am-noon.

Meet at 758 Little Bear Lane, South Tahoe.

For more information, call Krissi at (530) 307.1357.

# Washoe Meadows State Park meeting

Want to keep Washoe Meadows wild? Want to help preserve the California state park and the wildlife corridors?

Find out how you can help on Feb. 25 from 6-8pm at Lake Tahoe Pizza Company, 1168 Emerald Bay Road, South Lake Tahoe.

### Lecture at Explore Tahoe

On Feb. 11 at 6pm at the Explore Tahoe Visitor Center Tara McCarthy, U.S. Forest Service forestry technician and Ski With A Ranger program leader, presents a slideshow tour of Heavenly Mountain Resort.

The program will highlight geology, watershed, forest management and wildlife studies that are part of the USFS partnership with Heavenly.

This program is free.

Explore Tahoe is in the Heavenly Village next to Cecil's Fountain Plaza in South Lake Tahoe.

For more information, call (530) 542.4637.

### **Snowshoe Thompson lecture**

On Feb. 18 at 6pm Explore Tahoe Visitor Center presents Nina MacLeod and Sue Knight from Friends of Snowshoe Thompson.

The two will tell the story of the legendary mailman of the Sierra Nevada in the "The Life and Adventures of Snowshoe Thompson.â€□

This program is free and refreshments will be provided.

Explore Tahoe is located in the Heavenly Village next to Cecil's Fountain Plaza in South Lake Tahoe. For more information, call (530) 542.4637.

## Big Mountain Battle at Squaw

Helly Hansen's renowned all-mountain competition returns to Squaw Valley Feb. 20.

In its second year, this unique competition challenges teams of skiers and riders to explore their favorite resort from top to bottom for a chance to win an all-expense-paid trip to the finals in Aspen/Snowmass.

The Squaw Big Mountain Battle is one of seven tour stops. At each stop, teams of two take on courses designed by Jeff McKitrick and Helly Hansen. Teams (ski, snowboard, or mixed) must complete each of the hikes. Flaik GPS devices will track the performance of each participant.

Teams can ski anywhere for extra points once they have completed the designated bowls. The top three teams to complete the hikes, course and checkpoints in the fastest times are awarded prizes. Teams can win in the following categories after completing the designated bowls: Fastest Hike, Most Vertical, Most Runs and Most Lift Rides. The team to finish with the most points wins a trip to Aspen/Snowmass to compete in the Big Mountain Battle Finals on March 28.

The event pre-registration entry fee is \$75 per team and includes two Helly Hansen LIFA® base layers valued at \$45 each. Online pre-registration closes Feb. 18 at midnight, and check-in will be from 8-9:30am at a location TBD. Entry is limited to the first 100 teams, and registration on the day of the event is available for \$10 more per person. The awards ceremony kicks off at 1:30pm at the Chamois.

For more information and to register online, visit www.bigmountainbattle.com.

#### South Tahoe Farmers Market

Organic certified farmers market in South Lake Tahoe at the American Legion parking lot every Tuesday from June through September from 8am-1pm.