

Truckee Rotary's Cadillac Ball

The Rotary Club of Truckee's theme for the 32nd Annual Cadillac Ball on Nov. 13 at the Ritz-Carlton Highlands, Lake Tahoe is "Shaken, Not Stirred" a catch phrase of Ian Fleming's fictional British Secret Service agent James Bond, and his preference for how he wished his martini prepared.

The event features a three-course, gourmet, sit-down dinner, live entertainment and dancing. In addition, there will be an extensive silent and live auction, and grand prize raffle for a 2010 Cadillac SRX.

Event tickets are available for \$150 each. Only 350 will be sold, so attendees are encouraged to purchase tickets quickly.

Raffle tickets are \$100 each with discounts on multiple raffle tickets priced at three for \$275; or 10 for \$800.

All net proceeds from the Cadillac Ball go to charities in the community and international Rotary projects.

To purchase tickets, contact Paul Kucharski at (530) 550.3232 or email pakuch@sbcglobal.net. For information on sponsorships, contact Dawn Evans at (530) 582.8664 or email devans@sourcinginterests.org. Information about the Cadillac Ball can be found at www.cadillacball.com.

Super Bowl at Sierra-at-Tahoe

Head to Sierra for big game festivities and all-day giveaways on Super Bowl Sunday.

Pre-Game Fun:

- * \$10 off lift ticket – Any person wearing a jersey of any NFL team will receive a \$10 off lift ticket coupon to use on a future date.
- * Accuracy and Distance throwing Contest – Think you can throw like a pro? Take your gamble from 11am to noon outside the learning area.

During the Game:

- * Party Favors – The first 100 guests who enter the Pub at 2pm (game starts at 3pm) will receive party favors. (While Supplies Last)
- * Drink Specials – \$4 Touchdown shots, \$10 pair of Red Bull shooters
- * Food Specials – half priced appetizers including “NFL” Nachos, “Wild-card” Wings, and “First & Ten” fish & chips
- * Prizes – Football trivia will be played during commercial breaks with prizes

Halftime:

- * Frozen T Shirt Contest
 - * Kid’s Pinata
 - * Winner of the K2 PBR Snowboard is Announced – From now until game day, anyone (of age of course) that purchases a PBR beer in The Pub is entered into a drawing for this custom snowboard.
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USASA boardercross at Sierra

USASA brings their South Shore Series to Sierra-at-Tahoe for this amateur boardercross competition. Open to all ages. Check out usasa.org for more details.

When: Feb. 6

Where: Lake Tahoe's Original Boardercross, register in the Aspen Cafe

Who: Amateurs of all ages

Madrona Vineyards at Sierra

Swing by the Sierra Pub at Sierra-at-Tahoe from 3-4pm for a taste of Madrona Vineyards.

Guests with a lift ticket or season pass will receive a 20 percent discount off any wine purchase through the end of the ski season.

Whether you are just now "getting into wine" or you pride yourself on knowing quality when you taste it, you'll appreciate the family commitment to small-batch, high integrity winemaking from Madrona Vineyards. They've been growing premium winegrapes in El Dorado's highest vineyard elevations since 1973.

Women's snowshoe hike

Tahoe Rim Trail Association's free Spring Equinox Women's Snowshoe Hike.

Date: March 20

Location: Castle Rock

Level: Easy

Hours: 3-4

Description: The spring equinox is one of the four great solar festivals of the year. Day and night are equal, poised and balanced, but about to tip over on the side of light. After a cold, dark winter, we will welcome the light and warmth back as our days begin to grow longer. As the Earth makes its revolution around the sun, and the Northern Hemisphere receives more direct sunlight, the process of photosynthesis will begin, and we will begin to see green buds and sprouts. In celebration of this new life, please wear something green on this hike. During the hike, you will experience natural history and interpretation from the hike guides while enjoying the company and strength of the women hiking next to you. At the end of the hike, you will receive a packet of organic seeds that you can plant this spring to remind you of the experience and to encourage you to seek out activities that will revitalize your life and your passion.

You must sign up in advance for these treks by calling the TRTA office at (775) 298.0012 or email programs@tahoerimtrail.org.

TRTA snowshoe hike

Tahoe Rim Trail Association's free Freezing our Feathers Off Family Fun Snowshoe Hike.

Date: Feb. 27

Location: Tahoe Meadows

Distance: 3 miles, approximately

Level: Easy

Hours: 1½-2

Description: Birds of a feather flock together and fly south for the winter, right? Well, almost right. Did you know that there are actually some birds that stick around and tough out the cold, Sierra winters? Are they a bit cuckoo or do they actually like snowstorms and frigid temperatures? You will learn the answers to this question. We will explore the amazing world of winter and try to determine how birds and other animals survive the winter months, all while practicing our snowshoe skills. And after playing and having fun in the snow, there will be some hot chocolate, hot apple cider, and treats waiting for us at the end.

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Valentine's snowshoe

Tahoe Rim Trail Association's free Valentine's Sunset Sweetheart Snowshoe Hike is Feb. 13.

Location: Tahoe Meadows

Distance: 3 miles, approximately

Level: Easy

Hours: 2-3, with sunset occurring around 5:30 pm

Description: Are you tired of doing the same old, run-of-the-mill Valentine's date with your significant other? This is your chance to break out of the chocolate heart mold, and experience something different this Valentine's Day. Enjoy snowshoeing around the beautiful Tahoe Meadows above Lake Tahoe at sunset. We will watch the sun sink down behind the snow-covered Sierra Nevada Mountains, and the guides will take your picture so that you can capture this memorable Valentine's date forever! That is not the end! we will end the hike by enjoying some wine and cheese provided by local Reno and Tahoe vendors.

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Sierra's Snowsports Days

Sierra-at-Tahoe offers Snowsports Day discounts. Tickets are discounted at just \$35 (regular rate \$69) for a full-day lift ticket for Sierra-at-Tahoe. Tickets are only valid during

Snowsports Week Feb. 8-11.

Lift tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets will not be available at Sierra-at-Tahoe.

Sales Locations: 7-Eleven on Kingsbury Grade; Nestle Toll House Cafe; Powder House at Heavenly Gondola and Pioneer Trail; Sports LTD in the Village Center; Rainbow Mountain Sports; CVS/Longs at Bijou and the Y; Super 8 Motel; Lake Tahoe Community College Bookstore; Barton Hospital Foundation; Raley's at the Y; Lira's Market; Tahoe Paradise Chevron; and Sunrise Ski & Snowboard.

For more information, call (530) 543.5909 or click on Snowsports.

Earth Day at Squaw

Earth Day festival at Squaw Valley Village. [Click here](#) for more information.

'A Wall of White' author at LTCC

The LTCC Writers'™ Series presents Jennifer Woodlief, author of "A Wall of White", on Feb. 26 at 7pm in the Lake Tahoe Community College library.

It is free and open to the community.

Jennifer Woodlief is a former reporter for *Sports Illustrated*. A graduate of Stanford University and the UCLA School of Law, she has prosecuted first-degree murder cases and worked as a case officer for the CIA. Her first book, "Ski to Die: The Bill Johnson Story", was optioned by Warner Bros. for a movie.