Lake Tahoe News wants to know your opinion

Lake Tahoe News is about to start a feature to stimulate dialog that goes beyond the comments on stories. There are many issues facing the Lake Tahoe Basin. Some are of regional importance, some are more localized. This is an opportunity for your voice, your ideas to be heard.

The "Tahoe Facts" on the home page is going away and in its place will be a question. The question will probably change on a weekly basis.

If you would like to suggest a question, email it to info@LakeTahoeNews.net. Put "Weekly Question" in the subject line.

As with all comments, please be civil. Stick to the topic. Don't insult someone personally.

Kathryn Reed, LTN publisher

Attic Thrift Store reopens

Join the Barton Auxiliary for the "Grand Reopening" of the Attic Thrift Store on May 23 at 10am.

Beginning Monday the Attic will resume to its normal hours: Monday through Friday, 10am to 4pm and Saturdays, 10am to 2pm.

The store is on Lodi Avenue in South Lake Tahoe.

For information, call (530) 541.3378.

Sports medicine symposium in Lake Tahoe

Sports medicine professionals are invited to attend the Tahoe Center for Orthopedics first Tahoe Sports Medicine Symposium at at MontBleu in Stateline on Aug. 6.

Designed specifically for physicians, chiropractors, nurses, physical and occupational therapists and athletic trainers, this one-day symposium provides an update of current trends in sports medicine and musculoskeletal care. Continuing education credits will be offered.

In-depth evaluation and treatment algorithms from early assessment, surgical treatment, rehabilitation, and prevention for your athletic population will also be provided. Learn about treatment ideas and sports medicine approaches that you will be able to use in your practice on your first day back at work.

Registration deadline July 29.

Snippets about Lake Tahoe



• The 17th Annual Spring Concert of the Academy of Dance Arts will be presented in the MontBleu Theatre in Stateline on May 20 and May 21 at 6pm. For tickets, call (775) 588.3515.

• State Sen. Ted Gaines will be having a coffee meet-and-greet with constituents on May 24 from 9-10:30am at Riva Grill in South Lake Tahoe. Everyone is welcome.

• Northstar-at-Tahoe's golf course opens May 20, with the bike-hike park opening June 10.

• The South Shore should have more tennis courts to play on by August. Bids are being taken to redo two courts at Tahoe Paradise Park.

• Martis Creek Estates along Highway 267 across from Northstar will be open space thanks to the Truckee Donner Land Trust. The trust bought the property in foreclosure so the proposed 250 houses won't be built.

• Tickets for July 30 Steve Miller Band show at Harveys Lake Tahoe go on sale May 27.

• Alpine Meadows will be open July 2-4.

Barton board to be seated today

Barton Memorial Hospital's board of directors is scheduled to ratify the election of board members at today's meeting.

Six people ran for four of the open spots on the 11-member board. Incumbent Robert Chester was not re-elected and Kathay Lovell was not chosen.

The board members are:

Greg Bergner

John Cefalu

R.J. Clason Jr.

Hal Cole

Paul J. Fry II

Guy Lease

Kirk Ledbetter

Terry Orr

Paul Rork

Chuck Scharer

Dena Schwarte.

Snippets about Lake Tahoe



• Hilary Hodges has been appointed the permanent director of Development Services for South Lake Tahoe.

• Kirkwood has a proposal in to the U.S. Forest Service to expand its bike park. Comments may be sent to mmusemeyer@fs.fed.us with "Kirkwood Bike Park Expansion" as the subject.

• The South Lake Tahoe City Council crafted a letter to League to Save Lake Tahoe dated May 9 that was distributed to regional media May 16.

• Don's Cakes is open on 12th Street and Emerald Bay Road in South Lake Tahoe.

• The annual Tahoe Bike Challenge is May 23 to June 3.Be sure to build your team and register online.

Wildlife in action

These pelicans were noticed migrating and settling down for the evening on Easter.

The next morning before opening my shop — Fast Print Lake Tahoe — I went out and caught them rousing to start their migration again.



Pelicans migrate through South Tahoe. Photo/Ed Smith

The picture is of that moment.

- Ed Smith

Kids' health, safety event in Meyers

Kids Day Tahoe is May 21 from 11am-3pm. The event will provide essential information on health, child safety, and environmental awareness.

Many local businesses will be present with activities for the children.

Joshua Welch will provide free health screenings, and will be distributing vital information on disease prevention and health promotion.

The event is free.

It will be in the West Gate Building (3170 Highway 50), Meyers.

Call (530) 577.5433 for more information.

North Shore looking to fill business expo booth space

North Lake Tahoe Chamber of Commerce's 25th Annual Business Expo is June 15 from 5-7:30pm at the North Tahoe Event Center, 8318 North Tahoe Blvd., Kings Beach.

Prizes, raffles and merchandise values will be available at this interactive community event. The expo also offers free admission, along with free parking, for attendees, food and beverages, and is open to chamber and non-chamber members.

More than 50 exhibitors are expected.

Deadline to register is May 25. For more information, call Kym Fabel at (530) 581.8764 or email kym@puretahoenorth.com.

Trade groups to help homeowners with repair ideas

Granlibakken Resort in Tahoe City is hosting an event about maintenance challenges for year-round and second home owners. The event is geared toward people living on the West Shore and in Tahoe City.

Contractors and material suppliers representing multiple trades will be available to answer questions and offer advice.

The meting is May 28 from noon-5pm.

The event is free.

For more information, call Kay Williams at Granlibakken

Resort, (530) 581.7307 or email Kaywilliams@granlibakken.com.