Santa provides free cruise for kids on Tahoe Queen

Santa has decided that Lake Tahoe is so beautiful that he is going to spend Christmas Eve night cruising on the Tahoe Queen out of South Lake Tahoe. He is letting all of the children cruise and dine for free.

Call 800-23-TAHOE for reservations

3.7 quake rattles North Shore

A few people in the North Tahoe-Truckee-Reno area were jostled by a minor earthquake Tuesday night.

The 3.7 temblor was recorded at 9:59pm about six miles from Incline Village, according to the UNR Seismological Lab.

'Santa' collects canned goods for Christmas Cheer

South Shore comedian and radio host Howie Nave became Santa Claus over the weekend at the Village Center in South Lake Tahoe for the annual Christmas Cheer Food drive.



Howie Nave becomes Santa for a day. Photo/Provided

"I don't know how the 'real' Santa does it. I was exhausted after five hours, but it was cool seeing the kids light up, especially while walking through Raley's," Nave said.

Rise to be president of STPUD

At the Dec. 17 South Tahoe Public Utility District board meeting Dale Rise became president on a 3-2 vote. Mary Lou Mosbacher became vice president with the same vote tally.



Dale Rise

Board members Jim Jones and Eric Schafer voted against both appointments.

Rise had been vice president and Mosbacher president for the last year.

KTHO delves into lodging issues



What's going on with the lodging community on the South Shore of Lake Tahoe? Find out on KTHO FM-96.1/AM-590 (www.kthoradio.com) on Saturday at 10am or Monday at 6pm. Jerry Bindel, lodging guru of the area, talks about economy, lodging and tourism.

TRPA closing during holidays

The Tahoe Regional Planning Agency will close from Dec. 24 to Jan. 3.

During the closure, TRPA representatives will be on-call in the event of an emergency.

The closure will help the Agency reduce operating expenses. Employees will use a combination of accrued paid time off and paid holidays during the closure.

For additional information, call Jeff Cowen at (775) 589.5278 or email jcowen@trpa.org.

Want to count eagles in Tahoe?

Volunteers needed to participate in Tahoe eagle count Jan. 8.

Contact Rena Escobedo at the U.S. Forest Service, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, 35 College Drive, South Lake Tahoe; (530) 543.2733 or rescobedo@fs.fed.us.

KTHO helping raise money for Jaycee Lee Dugard



The Jaycee Lee Dugard fund is \$800 short of \$50,000. KTHO FM-96.1/AM-590 (www.kthoradio.com)is offering one week of free advertising for every \$100 donation made to the fund at Bank of the West. Checks may be sent to Bank of the West, Jaycee Dugard Family Fund, 2161 Lake Tahoe Blvd., South Lake Tahoe,

CA 96150. The account number is 186153508.

Wysong memorial Dec. 19

The memorial service for Steve Wysong, South Lake Tahoe's longtime city treasurer, is Dec. 19 at 2pm at Edgewood Tahoe Golf Course in Stateline.

South Tahoe foreclosure event

Due to severe weather last Saturday's "Free foreclosure Help" by SaveMeFromforeclosure.com has been moved to Dec 19 at 8am.

Same location: Romero's Barber Shop 2572 Highway 50, South Lake Tahoe.

If you are behind on payments, bring your latest mortgage statement to find out if you qualify to have your monthly payment reduced, or what other option you have to avoid foreclosure.

For more info, call Paul Romero at (530) 318.2662 or email paul.romero@savemefromforeclosure.com.