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Want a great Summer Job?

The North Tahoe PUD is looking for seasonal workers in the Parks Department. To find out more about available positions or to get an application, contact us at (530) 546-4212, hr@ntpud.org or visit our website www.ntpud.org.

North Tahoe Community Conference Center Celebrates 20 Years in the Hospitality Industry

Owned and operated by the District, this prime Lakefront meeting facility, next to the Kings Beach State Recreation Area, opened its doors on May 3, 1988, following major renovation. This facility was a bowling alley in the 50's, 60's and 70's, then changed to a furniture store and the Recreation & Visitors Center in the 80's, this gathering spot was host to several business ventures throughout its evolution. Then and now, thousands of guests have passed through its doors to be welcomed to the community. Even the Grateful Dead played a concert here when it was the Kings Beach Bowl.



Its unique beachfront location, professional event planning, food and beverage services, wedding parties, out-of-town conference groups and local business, all contribute significantly to the North Shore economy. Visitors to the Conference Center generate retail, restaurant and lodging business which returns sales tax revenue and Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) to Placer County. Local non-profits and longstanding recreation programs continue to utilize the facility, working with a flexible schedule in exchange for discounted rental fees.

As NTPUD property owners, great opportunity exists for you. Your business meetings or social gatherings will be conveniently accommodated, complete with professional meeting services and self-cater options at affordable discounted rates. Call 530/546-7249 or e-mail sales@laketahoeconference.com. **Let's Meet at the Beach!**

20 Year Anniversary Specials

As a tribute to the North Shore Community, District customers, the North Tahoe Community Conference Center offers two "specials" in recognition of its 20th anniversary!

Tuesday/Thursday Community Nights provide year round discounted meeting space to North Shore community and non-profit groups. Events are booked within 30 days of your meeting date, with space available 5:00 – 10:00 p.m. Rooms are discounted 50% and may be booked on an hourly basis, no longer requiring a 1-4 hour rental.

Wedding/Reception Packages – \$2,500.00 Customized for small gatherings to 50 people:

Marriage license, officiant, aisle runner, guest seating & decorated arch

Beachfront location with indoor/outdoor options

Brunch menu and complimentary champagne toast

Buffet serves 26 people (additional servings \$40.00 per person); Wedding Cakes available, starting at \$95.00.

Residents are eligible for 15-20% rental discounts, based on day of week and season. Small wedding and reception packages and large weddings to 400 guests are conveniently accomplished with the able assistance of our on-site wedding coordinator.

Many dates are still available this season!

Call 530/546-7249 or sales@laketahoeconference.com for more information

OFF-ROAD VEHICLE REGULATIONS

North Tahoe Regional Park is a multi-use park with many amenities including a new disc golf course and synthetic turf soccer field. Due to increased development and use of the park, motorcycles, quads, and privately owned snowmobiles have come into conflict with hikers, skiers and disc golf players at an ever increasing rate. Due to these conflicts and erosion concerns, “off-road” recreational vehicles may only be operated on approved trails. There are no approved trails in the Regional Park at this time.



All Motorized vehicles are required to stay on paved roads or parking areas in the Regional Park. During operations of these vehicles, all DMV regulations apply.

In the past, the District did allow staging and operation of certain off-road motorcycles, quads and snowmobiles. Because of this past use, many think it OK to ride in certain areas of the park, to pass through the Regional Park on the way to US Forest Service Land or as a short cut to other neighborhoods. This is no longer the case and could be hazardous to both riders and participants in other recreation activities in the park.

There are areas developed specifically for off road motorized vehicle use, within the Tahoe Basin and within easy driving/riding range. A good web site to get maps, trail skill levels and descriptions is:

www.sierraoutdoorrecreation.com. Happy trails!

DOGS IN THE PARK

North Tahoe Regional Park is a “dog friendly” park. According to Placer County ordinance and NTPUD park rules, **dogs must be on a leash no longer than six feet.** (County Ordinance Chapter 12, Article 12.24.010.1.1)



The District wanted to remind residents of these regulations because several complaints have been received recently about dogs being aggressive to children and a nuisance in the Park.

There are new amenities in the Park bringing more people into areas offered for specific activities. For example, the new synthetic turf soccer field may look very inviting to dogs and owners. However, dogs are not permitted on the field for health reasons. Children play on the field and the turf does not receive regular irrigation to wash away animal waste. However, dogs are welcome to join their owners in other areas of the Park including the new Disc Golf Course. Please remember that Placer County Ordinance 12.12.010.12 states that: **Dog feces must be suitably cleaned up and properly disposed of in a trash receptacle.** The District provides “mutt mitts” to assist with clean up, so please pick up after your pet!

The North Tahoe Regional Park is a unique property to the North Shore in that it offers both developed trails, sports fields and tennis courts for active recreational opportunities as well as more natural forested areas for less structured, passive, recreational opportunities. We ask users to respect others so that all may continue to enjoy their particular recreation experience of choice while using the park.

WATER IN THE STREETS: SPRINGS AND LEAKS

Every spring, especially after a good snow year, the District receives reports of suspicious damp spots in the streets and cut-backs along roadways. Many of these areas are “seasonal” springs which recharge with water every winter. Often these are marked by extra foliage growing in the immediate area, such as willows and other shrubs that need a higher than average supply of water. Looking at the surrounding area is the quickest way to determine if the water source has been available for a long time, most likely a spring, or whether it may be a leaking water line or house service. Two clues might indicate a leak in a water main: water coming from an area that has no surrounding vegetation and turbulence in the stream of water. The water system operates under pressure, due to the wide variation in elevation. In layman’s terms, this means when a water main breaks, the pressure will erode an area around the leak and be marked by muddy water with particles of dirt suspended in it. Seasonal springs are low pressure and are not characterized by this “gout” or geyser” pattern emanating from the ground. That said, small leaks in our system may take a long time to surface and the pressure will have dissipated before they reach the surface. The District is concerned with small and large leaks, so we always appreciate a call to our office at 530-546-4212 if there is a question regarding surfacing water.

The District is kicking off an Unaccounted-for Water (UFW) Reduction program this summer, in which highly sensitive computerized listening devices will be applied to water mains to listen for acoustic signatures given off by water escaping through pin-holes in the lines. This new, high-tech approach to water loss reduction will pay for itself through savings in the cost of water treatment and by assuring that water produced gets to the customer instead of going back in to the water table.

When it comes to a suspicious wet patch: “When in Doubt, Call us Out!”

Dust off those Bikes and Join the Basin-Wide Bike to Work Week Challenge

May is Bike to Work Month and May 12-16 is the Basin-Wide Bike to Work Week Challenge! For more information or to sign up, go to www.tahoebike.org and go to the link under Advocacy Spotlight.

If you have additional questions e-mail biketowork@trpa.org