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Second Friday of the month at 8:30 a.m. at the District Office
270 Alpine Meadows Rd.

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THE DISTRICT OFFICE HAS MOVED!!!! CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The District office hasn't really moved, we just wanted to get your attention -- the mailing address has changed. The mailing address of the District office is now the same as its physical address. Here's the new information:

270 Alpine Meadows Road
Alpine Meadows, CA 96146

IN CASE WE MISS YOUR VISIT TO THE DISTRICT OFFICE...

The District has a very small staff and there are times when the office is not staffed. Should you come to the District office and find that no one is there, we have placed a clip board at the front door so that you can give us your name, phone number and time of visit and the right person will contact you as soon as possible. We apologize for any inconvenience, but we are trying to keep costs to a minimum.

SAFETY FIRST – BEWARE OF CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING

The Valley was saddened by the tragic death of Ruth Moore from carbon monoxide poisoning. You can't see or smell carbon monoxide, but at high levels it can kill a person in minutes. Carbon monoxide (CO) is produced whenever any fuel such as gas, oil, kerosene, wood, or charcoal is burned. If appliances that burn fuel are maintained and used properly, the amount of CO produced is usually not hazardous. However, if appliances are not working properly or are used incorrectly, dangerous levels of CO can result.

Prevention is the key to avoiding carbon monoxide poisoning. Here's what to do to protect yourself. **DO** have your fuel-burning appliances -- including oil and gas furnaces, gas water heaters, gas ranges and ovens, gas dryers, gas or kerosene space heaters, fireplaces, and wood stoves -- inspected by a trained professional at the beginning of every heating season. Make certain that the flues and chimneys are connected, in good condition, and not blocked. **DO** choose appliances that vent their fumes to the outside whenever possible, have them properly installed, and maintain them according to manufacturers' instructions. **DO** read and follow all of the instructions that accompany any fuel-burning device. If you cannot avoid using an unvented gas or kerosene space heater, carefully follow the cautions that come with the device. Use the proper fuel and keep doors to the rest of the house open. Crack a window to ensure enough air for ventilation and proper fuel-burning. **DON'T** idle the car in a garage -- even if the garage door to the outside is open. Fumes can build up very quickly in the garage and living area of your home. **DON'T** use a gas oven to heat your home, even for a short time. **DON'T ever** use a charcoal grill indoors -- even in a fireplace. **DON'T** sleep in any room with an unvented gas or kerosene space heater. **DON'T** use any gasoline-powered engines (mowers, weed trimmers, snow blowers, chain saws, small engines or generators) in enclosed spaces. **DON'T** ignore symptoms, particularly if more than one person is feeling them. You could lose consciousness and die if you do nothing.

Here is the website of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency where additional information is available: www.epa.gov/iaq/pubs/cofsh.html. Or, you can call the Agency's Consumer Product Safety Commission at 800-638-2772 for more information.

IN SEARCH OF A GENERAL MANAGER

That's right, the District is accepting résumés for the position of General Manager. The following advertisement is running in local papers:

ALPINE SPRINGS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

is accepting applications for the position of
GENERAL MANAGER.

ASCWD provides water, sewer, fire, park and garbage services to the community of Alpine Meadows, four miles north of Tahoe City, CA. The position of the General Manager serves a five-member, publicly elected Board of Directors

Potential candidates should possess a working knowledge of: operating and capital budgets, financial reporting, local and State agency law and regulations, program planning, water and sewer systems and personnel policies, and have mid-level computer skills with a working knowledge of Microsoft Excel, Word and QuickBooks. The ideal candidate should also have excellent inter-personal and community relations skills.

The salary range for the General Manager position is \$4,500 to \$6,200 per month. The District offers a full benefit package of medical/dental insurance, retirement, vacation, holiday and sick leave.

Send current resume by March 23, 2005 to:

270 Alpine Meadows Road
Alpine Meadows, CA 96146

Or via email to:GMposition@alpinesprings.org

Phone: (530)583-2342

Fax: (530)583-0228

The District is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

EASTER EGG HUNT & VISIT FROM THE EASTER BUNNY

The Easter Bunny will be making a visit again this year at the annual Easter Egg Hunt. The festivities will take place on Saturday, March 26, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. Please congregate at the Fire Station and bring your own Easter basket and dress for the weather, as the hunt will be held on the snow.

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

Attend the 4th Annual Tahoe-Truckee Earth Day Festival!

The Tahoe Truckee Earth Day Festival will be held at the Village at Squaw Valley on Saturday, April 30 from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and will include many fun and educational events. Also part of the Earth Day Celebration is the annual Film Festival on Thursday, April 28 from 7 to 10 p.m. Past years have been very successful and many of the same events and educational booths will be returning. Live music and entertainment will also be happening throughout the day. This all-volunteer, non-profit, community event is being organized to celebrate and promote the Lake Tahoe/Truckee region's unique beauty and to raise awareness of the fragility of its ecosystem.

Educational focus areas include watershed health, pollution prevention, alternative energy, waste management, zero-waste and more.

Please join us in making this Earth Day Celebration the best ever with your support. Festival events planned so far include a full day of educational and environmental booths, arts and crafts, kid's activities, community outreach and live music on a solar-powered stage at this year's host site. Additional information is available at www.TahoeTruckeeEarthDay.org.

Earth Day Festival Information

Admission is free.

Educational & environmental booths * vendors * hands-on activities * arts & crafts * food & drink * scavenger hunt * bounce house for kids * Earth Day raffle * live music all day. Featuring a solar-powered live music stage and performances by: Daowaga, The Lifters and Global Funk Council with more to be announced. Between sets - Pangaea Percussion & Wind and Asha Folkloric Belly Dance Troupe.

The Film Festival is scheduled for Thursday, April 28 from 7 until 10 p.m. at the Olympic House at Squaw Valley. The 2005 Tahoe Truckee Earth Day Festival is sponsored by: The Village at Squaw Valley, Independent Power Corporation, League to Save Lake Tahoe, Sierra Nevada College, Lake Tahoe Environmental Education Coalition, Town of Truckee, University of Nevada Cooperative Extension, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, Sierra Watershed Education Partnerships.

CHIPPER PROGRAM

The **Chipper Program** is once again available. If you are interested in having your debris (tree limbs, sage brush, etc...) chipped, please call Namen Beatie at the North Tahoe Fire Protection District (530)546-4347 or email at beatie@ntfire.net

THE DUMPSTERS

The dumpsters at the District office are among the last in the Tahoe area. Unfortunately, some persons are aware of this fact and use the dump site to get rid of their construction debris, unwanted home furnishings and hazardous wastes at no expense to themselves. Very recently, the District had to call on the services of the local Hazardous Material Response Team to collect and dispose of some unknown liquids left at the site. This ended up costing the District six hundred twenty dollars (\$620.00). Needless to say, if this continues, the Board will be forced to consider removing the dumpsters and ending this service to the community. Should you, in your visits to the dump site, observe anyone unloading prohibited materials (there is a sign at the dumpsters listing those material that are not acceptable), please take note of a license plate, time, date and description of the person(s) and materials being deposited and either call the Sheriff's office or the District office to let us know. As a reminder, the dumpsters are for household garbage only. No dumping of liquids of any sort, hazardous waste, appliances, furniture, horticultural debris, construction debris, dirt, rocks, etc., is allowed. If in doubt, don't dump it.

REMEMBER THE BEARS!!! LATCH THE DUMPSTERS!!! Otherwise, our friendly, hungry, inquisitive, resident bears (who are starting to come out of hibernation) make a mess of things and get habituated to human garbage as a food source.

The Alpine Springs County Water District wants your input,
comments and suggestions.

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Please write your comments, suggestions, etc., below, or by reply e-mail. We want to hear from you.