calendar of events

BLACK BOX: "GREATER TUNA"

Mammoth Lakes Repertory Theatre, in association with the Mammoth Lakes Foundation, presents the Black Box Theatre Festival, a celebration of small plays with big content ... 3 shows, 12 days ... back-to-back-to-back family fun!

The first show is "Greater Tuna," a comedy set in the third-smallest town in Texas, where the Lions Club is too liberal! A two-person cast play the eclectic band of the town's denizens in this hilarious satire on rural American life. "Greater Tuna" plays Wednesday-Saturday, July 15-18, at 7 p.m. nightly, and Sunday afternoon, July 19, at 4 p.m.

Right behind that, don't miss "Late Nite Catechism, July 20-22, and "Always ... Patsy Cline," July 23-26. Tix for all shows: \$25. Buy a festival pass for just \$60, and save \$15 on all 3 shows. All shows at the Mammoth Lakes Arts Center, 549 Old Mammoth Rd. Call 760.709.1981.

DO YOU ... HAIKU?

Black Sheep and Spellbinder are hosting their first (annual?) haiku poetry contest and haiku slam, **Haiku D'Etat 2009!** This should be a fun evening with an emphasis on creativity & silliness on Saturday, July 11, at Spellbinder Books in Bishop.

The slam's panel of expert judges will select the best of the pre-submitted entries to be read aloud. And there will also be an all-out, no holds barred write-on-site haiku slam.

The judges will have various preselected themes for you to choose from; you'll have about 15 minutes to create 4 haikus for the tourney-style haiku slam.

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Tuesday, July 14/

Mono County Board of Supervisors meets, 9 a.m. in the Bridgeport Courthouse building.

Mammoth Lakes Chamber of Commerce mixer hosted by Mammoth Brewing Company from 5-7 p.m. in the MBC's swanky new Tasting Room on Berner Street. Info: 934.6717.

Mammoth Library Workshop for Children Make your own Shrinky Drinks at 11 a.m. Ages 5 and older are welcome (Free, no prior registration needed). Info: 934.4777.

Movies Under the Stars at the Village at Mammoth. Tonight: Ice Cube stars in "THE LONGSHOTS," the true story of Jasmine Plummer who, at age 11, became the first girl to play Pop Warner football in its 56-year history. Time: Dusk (approx. 8 p.m.) Admission: Free. Popcorn & drinks for sale.

Wednesday, July 15/

Mammot Lakes Town Council meets, Suite Z, 6 p.m. Info: Anita, 934.8989, ext. 227.

Spellbinder Book Club meets to discuss "A Plague of Doves" by Louise Erdrich. All are welcome to participate in the book group. 7 p.m. **Farmer's Market at Mammoth Creek Park,** 5-7 p.m. (Weather permitting.)

Thursday, July 16/

Movies Under the Stars at the Village at Mammoth. Tonight: the delightful animated fable "IGOR," starring John Cuscack and Eddie Izzard. Time: Dusk (approx. 8 p.m.) Admission: Free. Mobility Plan Cafes Open House and Trolley Tour Series, today through Saturday, July 18, in the Minaret Mall's

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former arcade location. Info: Jessica Morris, 934.8989, ext. 225. **2nd Annual Famarama Festival of Kids** today through July 19 in the Village at Mammoth. Info: 934.1575 or www.villageatmammoth.com.

Friday, July 17/

Chamber Music Unbound presents a 2009 Mammoth Lakes Music Festival concert, "The Russia House," 7:30 p.m. at Cerro Coso College in Mammoth Lakes. Tonight: soulful works by Tchaikovsky, Beethoven ("Rasoumovsky" Quartet no. 3) and Arensky played by the Felici Trio, virtuoso violinists Corey Cerovsek & Lina Bahn, and others special guests. Tix: \$20/ adults, \$15 senior, \$7 students available online: www.ChamberMusicUnbound.org, at Access Business Center, or at the door after 6:45 p.m. pre-show.

Family Movie Night at the Mammoth Lakes Library. Tonight: animated racing hit "CARS" starring the voices of Owen Wilson and Paul Newman. 7 p.m.

Playhouse 395 Children's Theatre Workshop presents "Sleeping Beauty Kids," with two shows, 5:30 and 7:30 p.m., at Bishop Union High School. FREE! Call 760.920.9100 or visit www. playhouse395.com.

Eastern Sierra Land Trust Art for Conservation Show and Sale. The public is cordially invited to join ESLT at CreekHouse at Snowcreek Resort in Mammoth Lakes today and Saturday, July 18, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., featuring Eastern Sierra artists portraying beautiful farms and ranches, important wildlife habitats, and incredible scenic vistas. More info: call ESLT at 760.873.4554. Meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Horseshoe Lake parking area. Wear sturdy shoes, long pants, a long-sleeved shirt and sunglasses/eye protection. No experience required, all volunteers are welcome. Tools and gloves are provided. Working volunteers are asked not to bring dogs. Info: 760.8973.6500 or www.friendsoftheinyo.org.

GET TANKED

The Mono County Board of Supervisors has agreed to an Appeal Hearing Tuesday July 14, at 6 p.m. in the Crowley Community Center .

The hearing is to discuss the height of the water tank being built on South Landing Road in the center of Crowley Lake. The key issue is one of visual impact.

If you are unable to attend, you can submit written commenst via fax @ 495.1697 or for pick up call 935.4654 or email Tank@Schat.net

This is your chance to be heard and make a difference.



HORSESHOE LK. WORK PARTY

Help take care of places you love, with your pals at Friends of the Inyo.

The summer of stewardship continues with trail work and cleanup at one of Mammoth's favorite lakes. Work all morning, then enjoy a lakeside lunch and raffle prizes for volunteers. This is the second event in the "Summer of Stewardship" partnership between Friends of the Inyo and Mammoth Lakes Trails and Public Access, supported by a grant from the National Forest Foundation. The summer of stewardship is a community-based effort designed to get regular people working on trails and helping the Inyo National Forest keep popular recreation areas in great shape. For this event, Mammoth Pet Shop is a co-sponsor.

AT THE MOVIES

Minaret Cinemas

Harry Potter & The Half Blood Prince (PG-13): In the series' next adventure, an all-star cast joins Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint and Emma Watson. Voldemort tightens his grip on both the Muggle and wizard worlds and Hogwarts is no longer safe. Love is in the air for Harry, but tragedy could be right around the corner! With Jim Broadbent and Helena Bonham Carter. *Starts 7.15.*

Transformers 2: Revenge of the Fallen (PG-13): Sam Witwicky (Shia LaBeouf) and his hot, sort-of girlfriend Mikaela Banes (Megan Fox) join with the Autobots® against their sworn enemies, the Decepticons®. *Ends* 7.14.

Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG): The sub-zero heroes are back, this time in some close encounters with dinosaurs and a one-eyed, dino-hunting weasel!

Daily matinees now through Labor Day!

Featuring fresh popcorn and digital surround sound! Visit us online: www.mammothlakesmovies.com. Call 760.934.3131 for shows and times.

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*happy hour 3-6:30 daily

\$5 hand roll & pbr \$3 pbr's, 1/2 off apps.

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