

What Not To Miss

In and around Tehachapi!

Animals & Agriculture

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Adorable Alpacas 822-6034

A lifestyle come true to be with these wonderful Alpacas. Tour the ranch and see the fantastic products made from the fleece. Open all year, Saturday & Sunday, 12 noon to 4 pm. Call or email at adorablealpacas@aol.com. www.adorablealpacas.com

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Indian Point Ostrich Ranch . 822-9131

Nestled in the hills of the Cummings Valley area of Tehachapi, this ranch is surrounded by breathtaking vistas and scenic landscapes. Visitors enjoy taking tours of the Ranch and observing the ostrich in their natural environment. Everyone is captivated by their inquisitive behavior. www.indianpointranch.com.

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United Pegasus Foundation.....

This Tehachapi ranch offers a 20 acre parcel of beautifully developed horse property providing a tranquil environment for retired horses who enjoy an undisturbed life with their friends at pasture.

The United Pegasus Foundation offers healthy horses for adoption to private individuals, 4-H groups, and educational equestrian programs. Come on out and see these beauties every day from 9-2pm. Bring a bag of carrots to feed the horses, you know how they love carrots! Guided tours available on Thursdays 10am \$2 donations accepted. 20411 Pegasus Road www.UnitedPegasus.com

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Dorner Family Vineyard..... 823-7814

Dorner Family Vineyard is nestled in the southeast corner of historic Cummings Valley, the ancient land of the Kawaiisu Native Americans. The rolling hills are studded with Blue Oak, Valley Oak and Sagebrush. The rich soil, that has supported these magnificent trees for centuries, now gives way to vineyards. The soil and 4300' elevation have proven to provide ideal growing conditions, overlooked for years, for award-winning wines. Mike & Michele Dorner welcome you to their vineyard and magnificent garden venue. It is the perfect tranquil location for your next wedding, reception, anniversary, birthday or corporate event. Call for appointment. www.DornerFamilyVineyard.com

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Souza Family Vineyard822-9233

"Tuscany in Tehachapi" Award winning wines. Come & enjoy a vineyard tour, wine tasting & see our variety of gifts. Banquet room available. Open Fri-Sun, 11am-6pm. 26877 Cummings Valley Rd. www.souzafamilyvineyard.com

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Triassic Legacy Vineyards.... 822-5341

The Triassic Legacy Tasting Room is the place to sample all of our wines and enjoy a lovely afternoon. Browse our custom selection of wine accessories and merchandise, enjoy a light snack, bring a picnic or BBQ your own steaks! Bring your friends to our tasting room and enjoy a relaxing afternoon complemented by great wine and great people. Open Friday through Sunday 11am-6pm all year. 24627 Cummings Valley Rd - Enter off Bear Valley Road at Roost Ave. www.triassicvineyards.com



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Arts & Entertainment

Museums & Heritage

Art Galleries

Check out the local talent at Back Street Gallery, Gallery N Gifts, Klew's Gallery, Treasure Trove and The Spirited Bead.

Beekay Theatre822-4037

110 S. Green St.

Don't miss our great theatre productions year round. Visit www.tctonstage.com for updated information on what's happening at the Beekay to entertain you.

Hitching Post Theaters 823-SHOW

See a great first run movie in one of the four state-of-the-art auditoriums with digital sound. Bargain matinees. Call for show times or visit www.hitchingposttheaters.com.

Murals Walking Tour822-8152

The murals are meant to beautify the downtown area, showcase history of the area for local residents and serve as a historical guide for visitors to Tehachapi. A DVD about the Tehachapi murals program is available as well as prints of each mural. A walking tour brochure is available at the Museum at 310 S. Green Street, as well as Main Street office and the Chamber of Commerce.

Heritage League Museum

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310 S. Green St.

This museum houses extensive samples of life here during the olden days. Collection of photographs and library containing many books available to researchers. Pick up a mapped Walking Tour brochure for locations and details of historic sites in the area. Museum open all year, Friday through Sunday, noon to 4pm with additional days during special events and some holidays. Special visits can be arranged by calling 972-0958. Admission is free. www.tehachapimuseum.org.



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Cesar Chavez National Monument

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Explore the Cesar Chavez National Monument at La Paz, America's official living memorial to Cesar Chavez. Help celebrate the civil rights revolution Chavez sparked among farm workers, Latinos and Americans from all walks of life. Visit the grounds where history was made. Docent led tours, documentary films, and educational and photographic exhibits offer insight into the history and impact of Chavez's life. Open 7 days, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., excluding major holidays. Call for more details on special events. Conference rooms and catering available. 29700 Woodford-Tehachapi Rd., Keene. Visit www.nationalchavezcenter.org.

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Historic Sites Walking Tour .822-8152

Pick up a map or just follow the signs around downtown to see and learn about Tehachapi's rich history. Maps available at Tehachapi Museum, 310 S. Green St.

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Tehachapi Depot Railroad Museum

101 W. Tehachapi Blvd. 823-1100

Situated in a park-like setting in downtown Tehachapi, the Tehachapi Depot Museum educates the public about railroading and the Tehachapi Loop, which is an integral part of the fabric of the history of the town of Tehachapi. The "Loop" is a world renowned engineering marvel constructed in 1876 by the Southern Pacific Railroad (SPRR), Union Pacific Railroad's (UPRR) predecessor. The Tehachapi Depot was registered as a Historical Landmark on the National Register of Historical Places on October 20, 1999. It offers visitors an opportunity to view railroad equipment & Railroadiana, including the Bill Sokoe collection of more than 300 railroad artifacts. Part of the Stokoe collection is the largest private collection of operating railroad signals in the United States. Signals are installed in a garden on the Museum grounds. The Museum offers a viewing deck adjacent to the Union Pacific tracks where visitors can sit and watch the trains go by. Friends of the Tehachapi Depot encourage the public to visit, become members and to join us as volunteers in preserving railroad history in Tehachapi. Open 11-4 Thursday through Monday all year long. Available to rent for your next event. Call for details.

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Pioneer Cemetery

In Golden Hills off Westwood Blvd., down Iris St. to Violet St.

Learn about the history of Tehachapi by the only enduring reminder of the original town site of Williamsburg, now known as Golden Hills.

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Tehachapi Railroad Loop

Just out of town on Woodford-Tehachapi Rd. toward Keene.

The widely recognized famous Tehachapi Loop was the greatest engineering achievement on the railroad line between Northern and Southern California. Going southeasterly from Keene, a train first passes through an entry tunnel. The track then does a complete counter-clockwise loop, passing over the entry tunnel before continuing easterly. The loop is 3,799 feet long, with a typical diameter of about 1210 feet. By continuing to gain elevation throughout the loop, engineer Hood was able to make up the needed elevation (about 77 foot rise in the loop). With modern freight trains, often more than a mile long, the locomotive passes over (or under, depending upon direction) the final cars of its own train! This single-track line, essentially unchanged, is still in constant use today: 122 years after its completion. It passes an average of 36 freight trains each day. This attests to the superior job of both engineering and construction done by the two civil engineers and the Chinese laborers.

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Nuooah Nature Trail

The Nuooah Nature Trail loops 1/4 mile within the Tehachapi Mountain Park at an elevation of 5920 feet and featuring 20 interpretive signs and markers describing vegetation and the history of the Nuooah American Indian Tribe.