

PRESS RELEASE

Donner State Park Hosts Holiday Open House Saturday Dec 22 Noon-5pm

Truckee, Ca.

The Sierra State Parks Foundation and California State Parks invites you to join us for an afternoon of fun filled activities at the Donner Memorial State Park Museum Saturday December 22 from noon-5pm. This free family friendly event is a great opportunity to visit the fascinating displays and learn something new in a holiday atmosphere. There are many fun activities planned throughout the day.

Historian Gayle Green will be leading a tour of the museum sharing unique insights on the ill-fated Donner Party at noon. At 1pm, children of all ages are invited to our indoor Junior Ranger program: Keeping our Donner Bears Wild. Everyone who completes the activity will bring home a special prize. At 2pm noted local artist Bill Vroom will be providing a wood carving demonstration of local mountain birds. Starting at 3pm we invite all to a Children's Reading Circle where the staff will be sharing our favorite books while live music is filling the air. We invite you to meet the new Director of the Sierra State Parks Foundation, Heidi Doyle, who will be giving an update of the new Donner Visitor Center project at 4pm.

All attendees will receive a free gift from the Sierra State Parks Foundation as thanks for your continued support of California State Parks. In addition, all members of the Foundation will receive a 20% discount on all visitor center merchandise throughout the day! There is a State Park parking fee of \$8 per vehicle. For more information, call the Donner Memorial Museum at 530-582-7892. Don't miss this great opportunity that the entire family can enjoy. See you there!

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