

# News Release



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## Special Winter Programs offered at Sugar Pine Point State Park

### February 2016 Winter Interpretive Tours

California State Parks will be offering two special activities in February 2016 at Ed Z'berg Sugar Pine Point State Park located south of Tahoma on Tahoe's magical west shore.

**On Saturday, February 13**, our State Park Guide will be leading a ***Snowshoe Through History*** hike along Lake Tahoe's magical west shore. This easy and fun tour explores the lakefront and the Hellman-Ehrman Mansion estate. Learn about the natural environment that attracted Tahoe's earliest settlers and explore the fascinating history of a Tahoe landmark. The ***Snowshoe Through History*** hike starts at 11am and begins near the restrooms in the Day Use side of the park (**lake side** entrance off Highway 89). The program lasts approximately 1½ hours. There is a parking fee of \$5 per vehicle, and no charge for the program. Bring your own snowshoes, or rent snowshoes at a local sporting goods shop such as West Shore Sports in Homewood.

**On Saturday February 20**, Rangers will be leading a **Full Moon Snowshoe Tour** exploring the natural and cultural history around the Hellman-Ehrman estate and Lake Tahoe shoreline. Few experiences compare to snowshoeing to the light of a full moon along the snow covered Tahoe shoreline! For those new to snowshoeing, there will be a beginner's clinic at 6:30pm. The Full Moon hike starts promptly at 7:00 pm and begins near the restrooms in the Day Use side of the park (**lake side** entrance off Highway 89). The program lasts approximately 1½ hours and costs \$25 per person for adults. Children 12 and under are \$10. The cost includes the tour, event parking, and snowshoe rentals. This fundraiser is made possible through the generosity of our partners, West Shore Sports, and all proceeds from the tour support the Sierra State Parks Foundation. Space is limited and reservations must be made through the "Events" tab at the Sierra State Parks Foundation website: [sierrastateparks.org](http://sierrastateparks.org). To check availability on the **day of** the event only, call West Shore Sports at 530-525-9920.

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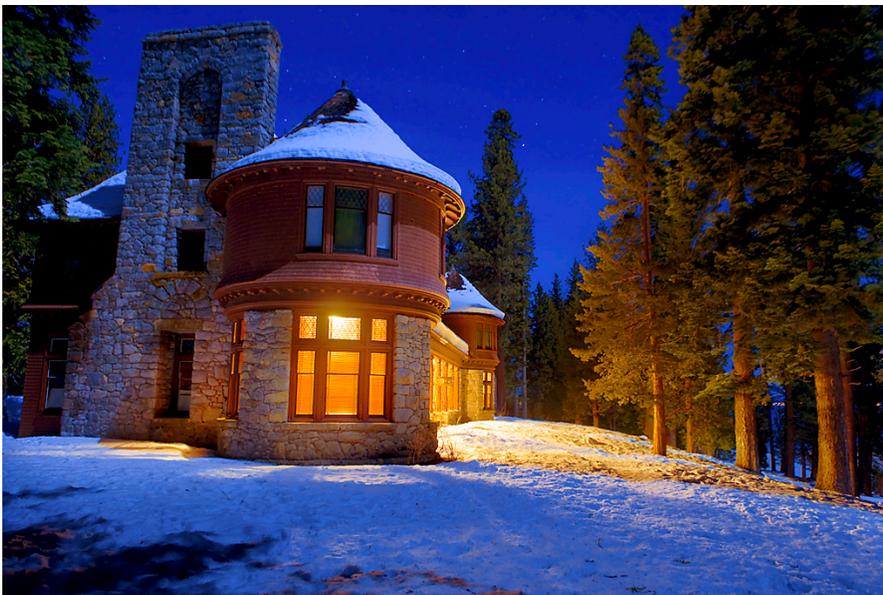
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More information and an expanded schedule of the winter activities offered by California State Parks can be found at [www.parks.ca.gov](http://www.parks.ca.gov) under Ed Z'Berg Sugar Pine Point State Park.



Park Ranger sharing Tahoe's natural history. Photo by Heidi Doyle



Pine Lodge on a winter evening. Photo by California State Parks

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