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Tahoe Donner to Host Welcome Home Celebration for Olympic Skier Mark Engel

Enjoy a weekend of public and exclusive activities offering unique on- and off-mountain experiences

Truckee, Calif. (March 1, 2018) – On Saturday, March 10, Tahoe Donner and the North Lake Tahoe community will celebrate the return of local U.S. Alpine Ski Team member Mark Engel from the 2018 Winter Games. Engel, 26, grew up in Truckee and made his Olympic debut competing in Men's Slalom in PyeongChang.

The <u>Welcome Home Party</u> begins at 3PM on the Sun Deck at the Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Resort. Festivities include an Olympic Q&A by special guest Daron Rahlves, a meet-and-greet autograph session with Mark, BBQ and beer, and live music by Matt Reardon and the Red River Revival. The event is free and open to the public.

"My journey to the Olympics began more than 24 years ago, when I first learned to ski on the slopes of Tahoe Donner," Engel said. "I'm proud that I finished in the top third of the world's best slalom skiers, and I'm looking forward to sharing my experiences with old and new friends when I return to Tahoe Donner."

In addition to the Welcome Home Party, a limited number of tickets are on sale now for the following events taking place March 9-10:

- VIP Farm-to-Table Olympian Dinner. Friday March 9 at Alder Creek Adventure Center. Chef David Smith will prepare a four-course menu using fresh, seasonal ingredients sourced locally from Northern California farms. A no-host beer and wine mixer starts at 6:30PM with special guest Mark Engel and live music by Jonny Bias and guest. The deadline to purchase tickets is March 5. <u>Buy tickets</u> online or by calling Member Services at 530-587-9400.
- **First Tracks with Mark**. Saturday, March 10 from 8-9 a.m. at Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Resort. Sign-up for early mountain access, fresh tracks and chairlift conversations with Mark before the ski resort opens to the public. <u>Buy tickets</u> in advance. Space is limited.
- Ski Clinic with Mark. Saturday, March 10 at Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Resort. Receive inspirational coaching, learn general on-mountain tips and get personal technique feedback—all while having fun skiing with Mark. Clinic times: 10-11:30 a.m. and 1-2:30 p.m. Buy tickets in advance. Space is limited.

For complete information on the weekend events, visit tahoedonner.com/markengel.

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About Tahoe Donner:

Tahoe Donner is one of America's largest homeowner's associations, with nearly 6,500 properties and 25,000 members enjoying over 7,300 acres in the Sierra Nevada. Located 18 miles from Lake Tahoe in Truckee, California, Tahoe Donner operates a wide variety of recreational facilities, including an award-winning championship golf course, a family-friendly downhill ski resort, and a renowned cross country ski center with a newly constructed, state-of-the-art base lodge —all of which are open to the public. In addition, Tahoe Donner operates several member-only facilities, such as a beach club marina, recreation center and pools. These amenities can be explored in detail at Tahoedonner.com.

For more information on Tahoe Donner and its recreational facilities and events, visit tahoedonner.com or call 530-587-9400. 'Like' Tahoe Donner on Facebook and follow on Twitter @tahoedonner and Instagram @TahoeDonnerAssociation.