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**Climber and Adventurer Todd Offenbacher Appears at
Squaw Valley Institute's Speaker Series Event**

Olympic Valley, Calif. – Climber and adventurer Todd Offenbacher appears at Resort at Squaw Creek on Monday, May 11 as part of the Squaw Valley Institute speaker series. A reception with no-host bar begins at 6:30 PM, and the program begins at 7:00 PM.

Offenbacher will give his often comical insight into his world adventures, from climbing El Capitan in Yosemite National Park, to first ascents in Peru and Pakistan, to mountaineering a new route on Haizi Shan in western China with 86 year-old Fred Beckey. Host of RSN's "Tahoe Today" and the Tahoe Adventure Film Festival, Offenbacher will supplement his talk with a multi-media presentation.

A donation of \$10 per person is requested. Children and students with ID are free. For tickets, visit www.squawvalleyinstitute.org, or call 530.581.4138.

Upcoming Squaw Valley Institute events include: *Journey's Within: Philanthropic Travel*, presented by Andrea Ross, co-founder of Journey Within Our Community (JWOC) on May 28 at Resort at Squaw Creek; and *Bhutan - Taking the Middle Path to Happiness*, a documentary on bringing "Gross National Happiness" to the Himalayan Kingdom at Resort at Squaw Creek on June 4.

Tickets are also currently on sale for the presentation by Greg Mortenson, *New York Times* #1 bestselling author of *Three Cups of Tea*. Mortenson speaks at Alpine Meadows Lodge on October 18. Tickets for this particular event are \$30 in advance, and \$25 in advance for Squaw Valley Institute members.

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