

Energy Summit Powers Up

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High Sierra Energy Initiative President Rick Phelps spoke on Sunday at the Kickin' Off the Grid Energy Summit party to thank all the parties that helped make the second Annual event happen. Foremost among those named were event cosponsors, Southern California Edison and the Town of Mammoth Lakes. On behalf of the town, Mayor Wendy Sugimura was on hand to welcome all the attendees, thank Phelps for organizing the event, and stress the importance of thinking 'green' in our everyday lives.

Live music was provided by the Trespassers and Almost Famous, who also spoke toward the concept of sustainable living practices – the Trespassers drove over the Sierra in a van powered by 100 percent bio-diesel fuel.

The Mammoth Lakes Rotary Club was on hand to provide free bratwurst. Mammoth Brewing Company beer was also available.

According to event representatives, Vicky Phelps and Pamela Stayden, this year's attendance has more than doubled to more than 80 from last year's turnout in the mid 20s. Several more people had signed up just that day at the registration table.