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Happy Father's day to all you men who can claim the privilege of being a father, grandfather, or even a great grandfather. Father's Day in Santa Rosa, where I have been since last Friday, was almost hot. The sky was blue with just a few white to grey clouds. I hear that the North Forty area got lots of rain, but there was no rain on Father's Day. I think that's pretty accommodating for all the Father's Day BBQ's.

Here is a reminder to check your calendar to see if you have set aside Saturday, July 2 for the Trinity Center Volunteer Fire Departments Annual 4th of July BBQ that will be held at the Wyntoon Resort from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Proceeds from this fund raiser will go into the TCVFD building fund.

There have been some very strange happenings around the North Forty boundaries in the past several days. Some of the members of the Robin Renten Chapter of the Red Hat Society have reported items missing from their homes. The strange thing is the only things missing in any of the homes is items related to their red hat regalia, including a Robin Renten Red Hat Pin, some purple and red ribbons, and evidence of red and purple feathers being removed from boas and hats. But the strangest item missing is a membership list of all the members of the Robin Renten Chapter of Red Hats, and several photographs of Red Hat outings. This only adds to the confusing behavior of the group calling themselves "Husbands for Justice", who have claimed responsibility for the bird-napping of Crow, who has been missing for six weeks.

Retired Detective Captain Roger Chatterton, whose home the crow was bird-napped, and the leader of the Investigative Task Force formed by Chatterton, has been acting in an unusually callous manner, trying to involve the members of the Robin Renten Chapter of Red Hats in the devastating bird-napping of Crow. It is believed that Chatterton has had some involvement in the recent rash of items missing from the Red Hatter's homes. Chatterton's wife, Sue, who is one of the organizers of the Robin Renten Chapter of Red Hatter's, is devastated by the unusual and strange behavior of her husband who has uncharacteristically embarked on a case of defamation of character of the Red Hatter's through name-calling and accusing them of bird-napping Crow. This group of sweet natured women, who are at the age 50 and above, who only want to have fun, are also devastated at the thought that someone so highly thought of would stoop to this level of malicious character assassination.

I suggested in last week's column that the wives should start a march and sit-in until Crow is returned. My daughter, who has mastered the art of shopping suggest a better tack would be to threaten a "Shop Until Crow is Returned" strike. She also has several tips on how to spend money ... I think a lot of the "sweet natured women" could top her tips. Just a thought.

About 30 members of the Trinity County Pilots Association attended their yearly luncheon at the IOOF Hall last Saturday, June 18, where the new slate of officer's was voted in for the coming year. President of the TCPA is Mike Balzano, Lee Wachsmuth is Vice President, Barbara Dahl, Treasurer, Don Mullins, Secretary and the Editor of the Tail Wind, The TCPA's monthly publication is Kelly Ghant. Anyone who is a pilot or a non pilot who is interested in aviation is encouraged to join the TCPA. Dues are \$20 per year. For more information on joining, call any of the new officer's, or Dick Eyman at 530 266-3440.

Donna Watkins, a Trinity Center resident, proudly announces the birth of her first grandson. In her email Donna tells us Nathan William Watkins was born 3 months prematurely on June 1, at Mercy Medical Center. He weighed 1 lb. 4 oz. and is in the Neo Natal Intensive Care. She said it will be a long haul for Nathan and his parents, Andy Watkins and Stefanie Biggs of Trinity Center. Stefanie is staying in Redding and Andy is commuting everyday. So far, Nathan is doing pretty well. Donna said, "He is the most beautiful little thing I have ever seen, just a perfect little angel, and he has his father's feet". Nathan's paternal grandparents are Danny and Donna Watkins, of Trinity Center, and maternal grandparents are Curtis and Dean Christner of Cedar Stock.