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Former California Governor and present Mayor of Oakland, Jerry Brown, paid Trinity Center a visit last Saturday, where he and his wife had lunch at the Yellow Jacket, and had a Kodak moment with Mike. I was depressed my "nose for news" let me down and I missed these momentous moments. My sweetheart and I headed up the hill to a lodge almost to the tip of the Alps to have dinner with some friends. We spent the night in one of the cabins at the lodge, and were surprised to see seated at our breakfast table....none other...than Mayor Jerry Brown and his lovely new wife Ann Gust, whom he married last June. I was impressed at how approachable and warm Jerry and Anne were, and how they both made you feel their total concentration was on the person doing the talking.

Mayor Brown told us he intends to run for Attorney General in the next election. He said he wants to bring some common sense to the administrators of law. When I ask him for his consent to publish that, and if he had more he would like to say, he gave his approval for publication, but declined any other comment, stating, "I'm on my honeymoon".

The Town Hall meeting with Congressman Wally Herger, (R-California) at the Weaverville Library was standing room only. I recognized several faces from Long Canyon Road, Trinity Center and Coffee Creek. The room was electric and filled with strong opinion coming from several directions. Congressman Herger made it clear he felt no kinship to Environmentalist, Democrats, or Right Winger's. He also made it clear he was pro airport and supported the houseboat people, Social Security reform, and the war in Iraq.

The Coffee Creek Community Church helped Cleo Seymour Celebrate her 101st Birthday last Sunday. More than Twenty church members visited her home with a large birthday cake and tons of good wishes. Mrs. Seymour and her husband, Harry donated the use of the land that the Community Church is built on. Happy Birthday Cleo!

IIOF Hall will celebrate its 100th year birthday with a community pot-luck September 20, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. at the IIOF Hall. Everyone is asked to bring a favorite dish along with the recipe and their own dinnerware and utensils.

According to some notes made by Edwin Scott, the present IIOF Hall was built (by Charles Kingsbury) in 1905 to replace the hall that burned to the ground in 1904 due to a faulty stove pipe. The new IIOF Hall was built on land in the old Trinity Center belonging to Sykes Mining Co, which gave the lodge a 100 year lease. Mr. Scott writes, "The siding and floor for the hall was vertical sawed from one large fir tree". After the dam was created in 1959, Edwin Scott insisted that the 70 year old hall be moved to the new Trinity Center, and donated the land to put it on. There were some that said it couldn't be done, because the building was so old, it would break apart. But a single old truck slowly towed the IIOF building on a large trailer to its new location with the only damage being "one timber in the foundation that was damaged from dirt coming down the bank and rotted". The building made it just fine, "with every line as true as when it was built". But Mr. Scott was not so sure about the truck.

Members of the Odd Fellows continued to meet in an upstairs room in the hall until 1962 when the attendance got so low, they were forced to join the lodge in Weaverville. The Rebekahs continued to use the building for their meetings until 1963 when they transferred to the Weaverville as well. The hall sat empty from 1963 until August of 1974 when a group of interested Trinity Center residents calling themselves, The North Trinity Lake Improvement Association, got together and successfully obtained their goal of acquiring and restoring the hall to its original condition, and have the building declared a Historical Point of Interest. According to research done by Billie Bullard in 1980, the NTLIA acquired a grant from the Department of Parks and Recreation for \$15,000.00. The building was purchased from the Independent Order of Odd Fellows for \$6,135.00, and the remaining used toward the restoration. The restoration began in June 1976, and was completed by 1978. The first to use the hall, which is also known as the North Trinity Lake Community Hall, was Trinity Center School when they presented a minstrel by the children of Trinity Center.

It is interesting to see what can be done when a group of people with the same goal in mind get together to reach that goal. What would happen if the same energy was put towards bringing the old Airporter back to life? Just a thought.

I hope all of you have marked your calendars for the Lions Labor Day BBQ and Art Show coming up this Sunday, September 4, from 12:00 pm to 6:00 p.m. at the Wyntoon park area at the tip end of Airport Drive. Tickets are \$12.00 for adults and \$6.00 for Children. The menu is pit roasted tri-tip and turkey, tossed salad and garlic bread, and lemonade and iced tea. The Lions use the profits from this annual event to fund all their many programs that give back to the community. Homemade dessert will be offered from the CCVFD Auxiliary, the Fireflies, and that profit goes to the CCVFD. I can't think of a better way to have lunch or an early dinner for all of your holiday guests.

The Art's and Craft's show will amaze you with all the talented people setting up their booths. Some of the participants of the Art/s and Craft's show are; Pete Ulrich with framed outdoor photographs, CCVFD Fireflies will be exhibiting assorted needle work and crafts, Jennie DeWolf will be displaying and selling her quilts, table runners, aprons and children's vests. A brand new Trinity Center resident, Kerstin Shipper, will be exhibiting her talent through her painted tiles and pottery. A Lewiston resident, Shirley Isenberg will be display stained glass.

Our volunteer fire departments are still on the job and taking care of us. While they were not as busy as last week, they still responded to 4 calls.

On 8-22 they had a medical/search and rescue call to Lily Pad Lake for a person injured from a fall from a horse. When TCVFD advised TCSD that Lily Pad Lake is 4 miles from the nearest trailhead, CHP-16 responded and transported patient to Mercy CHW Redding.

8-23 they were dispatched to Long Canyon Road for a semi-conscious 65 year old male who experienced a fall over a retaining wall while walking in the dark striking his right temple. Patient was transferred to Trinity Center Swett Field for transfer to Mercy H-1 for flight to Mercy CHW.

8-24 They responded to a smoke check on East Side Road, 1 mile east of S/R 3 Smoke described as coming from the direction of Oregon Mountain. Area was checked and no smoke was located.

8-27 they responded to a medical/search and rescue call for a patient who fell from a horse in the wilderness area 10-11 miles from Long Canyon Trailhead. When TCVFD Advised TCSD that the location was a 6 hour horse ride, and with a 4k elevation change, TCSD Search and Rescue hiked into patient TCSD and launched REACH 5 to transported patient