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If you have not viewed the Coffee Creek School's reproduction of the "Josh House" at the Highland Art Center, you are missing a great treat. The students, under the direction of teacher, Valli Power, made trips into Weaverville to measure the building, take pictures, and see first hand what an awesome job was facing them. The students, Leah Groves, Holli Ehlerding, Anthony Martinez, Bryan Burke, Trinity Seymoure, Lezlee Journey, and Tessa Neely created the Josh house scaled at ½ inch to the foot. It was outstanding, and I could not walk away from it. The students did a spectacular job and it is definitely a "must see". Don't miss out on this showing.

This is a fund raiser to generate the \$500 prize that will be awarded to the house that received the most votes. Votes are 25 cents each, so \$25 will give your favorite building 100 votes. You can vote as little as 25 cents (1) vote if you wish, and there is no limit. Coffee Creek School appreciates all the votes you can give them to help them receive the \$500 prize, which is badly needed.

Weaverville Elementary School and two adults (sorry I did not get the adults names) entered buildings in the competition. Weaverville Elementary did a reproduction of the Highland Art Center. While I was there, I had the pleasure of meeting the students who constructed the building. Rachael Eddis, Terra Andrade, Josh Wynn and Jared Dunham, 6th, 7th and 8th graders who belong to the Art Club that meets once a week. Instructor of the Art Club, John Garrett, said he and the students made many trips to the Highland Art Center measuring the exact size of each room, window, door and stairs, and like the Coffee Creek School, took many photographs to help them construct an exact replica. Be sure and lift the front roof to see inside the building that has been decorated to mimic the Art Center displays.

You won't believe the workmanship all of the students from both schools put into their buildings. They rival the work of the adult entries. Go see the show and judge it for yourself.

Coffee Creek School presented their Christmas program, "Home for the Holidays, last Friday, December 14 at the IOOF Hall. It was one of the most enjoyable evenings I have spent since last years productions. The set designed and cleverly constructed by Valli Power, was a work of love and it showed it. All of the students did an outstanding job that took me back to what the world was like 50 years ago. Their acting and singing skills were honed to perfection by Mary Henson. Okay, so there were a few missed cues and perhaps some songs were a little off key, (I wouldn't know because I can't tell a sharp from a flat). But that is the wonderful part of children's plays. The costumes were fantastic and cleverly put together by the parents of the students. The horse that pulled the wagon to grandmother's house was very effective. The entire cast did an excellent job, including the pre-school children that walked across the stage.

The Trinity Center and Coffee Creek Volunteer Fire Departments handed out smoke alarms and fire extinguishers to parents as they left the production. They will be doing the same for the Trinity Center School's Christmas program this Wednesday, December 19 at the IOOF Hall.

Trinity Center School's Christmas Program, "Santa's Rockin Christmas Eve" will be presented at the IOOF Hall, Wednesday, December 19. There will be two shows, one at 10:30 and one at 6:00. I had the pleasure of seeing last year's production. We have some very talented students in our two schools. We can thank Mary Hanson for the magic she pulls out of these students.

If any of you who do not have children in the two schools, or perhaps did not make it to either production and need a fire extinguisher or smoke alarm, contact a volunteer firemen or call Roger Chatterton, 266-3333 and arrange for pick-up.

Pastor Fred and Roberta Boring's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary on January 12 at 12:00 noon WILL be held at the TRINITY CENTER CHURCH. It would be very helpful if you could call and let us know if you are coming to help decide how large a cake to make, and how much room will be required. You could call Lynn Hartley at 266-3980 or Gerry Chapstick at 266-3298. The Boring's are providing the meat, and those who wish could bring a side dish, salad or dessert. There will be a tiered anniversary cake provided. BUT!!!! Fred said **absolutely no gifts!!** He didn't say **No money tree**, so there will be a money tree for those who wish to use it. There will be plenty of room for all of you who wish to come. Let's make it a great day for these two special people.

The Red Hat's Christmas lunch at Pat Forbes last Monday was another roaring success. The food was outstanding, and we all ate more than enough. But the gift exchange is always the hit of the party, as each Red Hatter present has a choice of "stealing" a gift someone has already opened, or selecting an unopened gift. A gift could be stolen three times and then becomes "safe" and cannot be stolen again. Betty Eyman, (that's me) was the first to steal a gift, but I didn't get to hold onto it very long before it was stolen from me. That's okay; I ended up with a fantastic choice that I held my breath would not be stolen from me. It wasn't

The North Lake Lion's Santa's helper, John Wagner and his Elf, Mike Mayo will be paying the students of Coffee Creek and Trinity Center schools a visit on Thursday, December 20. They will be dragging in their goodie bag for the students to pick a gift from. I wish I could be there to watch their faces.

Please mark your calendars for the Trinity Center's Community Service Board meeting on Tuesday, January 11, at the IOOF Hall at 7:30. The hall will be nice and warm, and coffee and cookies will be served.

The "Pot Party" in the Eyman's garage is still going strong. Instead of a "pit firing" we will have a "barrel firing" on Wednesday December 19, at 11:00 a.m. (weather permitting). Folks think I will be much safer with this type. After the barrel firing, the "Pot" group will take a hiatus until Friday, January 18, at 1:00 pm at the Eyman's garage. The class is still open and is open ended. We are having a ball. Come and join us.

Merry Christmas to all of you!!!