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The UC Cooperative Extension Trinity County Fire Safe Council will be at the IOOF Hall Saturday April 14 from 1:00 to 5:00 pm for a workshop on Living With Wildfire, and Making Your Home More Fire Safe. We all need to become very aware that this year is going to be a high fire danger because of the lack of water from very little rain and snow this season. Here is your chance to educate yourself to help you through, what could be, a major disaster.

Roger Chatterton will be wearing his President of Trinity County Fire Chiefs Association hat he presents a workshop on steps that will help you and the firefighters respond to a wild fire. Pat Frost from the Trinity County Fire Safe Council will present a workshop on Community Safety Zoning and establishing safe areas, evacuation routes and more. Gary Nakamura from UC Berkeley Forestry Specialist's workshop will be on making your property fire safe, and Dr. Steve Quarles, UC Wood Durability Advisor's workshop will be on how to make your home fire safe. There will also be fire demonstrations on how different wall material burn and how the fire retardants work on them. It will be a very informative day for everyone in the community, and is free. You won't want to miss this.

The TC/CC Red Cross DAT team will be working seamlessly with the fire department in setting up a mock evacuation center at the end of this month. It is their goal to prepare for the worst possible disaster in order to handle any disasters that happen. The Shasta County Chapter of the Red Cross is ramping up their training and supplies in anticipation of an extremely high fire danger season.

New Red Cross volunteers are needed to help run the evacuation successfully in case of a disaster. If you are interested, please contact Betty Eyman, Captain of the TC/CC Red Cross DAT team at 266-3440.

Check your Calendar time: The Trinity Center Elementary School April Newsletter notes that Spring break for the school will be from April 9 through April 13. School resumes on April 16. The regular monthly School Board Meeting will be on April 20 at 3:15 p.m.

The newsletter also gave an update on the Academic Pentathlon. "Our students did a super job at this year's Academic Pentathlon. We came home with several medals... Courtney Christner – Essay (3<sup>rd</sup> – Bronze), Gabe Burge – Literature (2<sup>nd</sup> – Silver, Holly Wood – Literature (2<sup>nd</sup> – Silver), Aren Johnson – Math (1<sup>st</sup> – Gold, Rebecca Wurth – Math (3<sup>rd</sup> – Bronze)"

This trimester's top readers are; Antonette Brito-Agnew, 1,660 pages; Ana Niskanen-Alanis, 1,976 pages; Samantha Dunham, 2,293 pages. These students will be treated to a dinner at the Sasquatch on Friday, March 30 at 5:00 p.m. That is like reading between four and five 400 page novels during that trimester.