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The North Forty
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The Sasquatch is now open for Friday and Saturday night dinners. We have been crossing the days off our calendars until it opened. We missed our Friday/Saturday Night "Date Night" and the wonderful dinners the Gifford's prepare.

There is another missing dog, a one year old Queens Heeler. She is very shy but friendly. Angel is white with brown spots. She was last seen at her home, 261 Trinity Vista, on 1/21/08. If you have any information about Angel, Please call Dustin Hayward at 266-3271 or 410-1125.

Trooper, the black and white Australian Cattle Dog is still missing. There have been a couple of sightings of a dog with Trooper's description, but that dog is larger than Trooper and does not have a tail or freckles all the way around it's muzzle like Trooper. People have tried to rescue the larger dog, but it will not let anyone approach it. If you have any information about Trooper, please call Alan or Bev Hill at (530) 221-4354.

The Trinity Center/Coffee Creek Red Cross Disaster Action Team (DAT) will meet Thursday, February 8 at 5:30 at the Eyman's house. The evening will start off with a pot-luck. We now have 3 key people who will be trained and ready to handle any kind of Red Cross emergency. Betty Eyman (266-3440) and Pat Sprick (266-3500) are Co-Captains, and Sherry Macy (286-2828) is Pat's back up Co-Captain. If you would like to join our DAT team, you can call any of the Co-Captains for information.

Get ready for the 2008 CCVFD Chili Feed and Auction. It is amazing how many wonderful auction items they manage to come up with. Those of us who have been there before remember this is a "can't miss" event. I'll keep you up to date as information comes in.

Trinity Center School students are giving you a chance to "Sing to your Sweetheart" and enjoy a Valentine Tri Tip Dinner Feb. 13, 5 P.M.-8 P.M. at the I.O.O.F Hall. The menu includes Tri Tip, Beans, Salad and Bread. Desserts made by the students will be sold for \$1.00 each. There will be live entertainment by Bernie and the Trinity Center School. A love song could be sung to your sweetheart. Proceeds benefit the 2009 TCES 7th & 8th grade trip. Prices are: \$25.00 couple, \$15.00 Adult, \$10.00 Children 12 and under. Buy your tickets from a student who will be out selling them, or tickets can be purchased at the door. Dinner ticket stubs will be thrown in a basket for a valentine raffle during the evening.

Coffee Creek School is proud to announce that they received the most votes in the competition organized by the Highland Art Center - a fund raiser for the Lowden Community Pool in Weaverville - which entailed building scale models of historic Weaverville buildings. Under the tutelage of Mrs. Valli Power, the 3rd - 8th graders built an exact replica of the Joss House, and all their hard work paid off. A prize of \$500.00 will go into the Coffee Creek School Art Fund, and the rest of the money raised by the competition will be donated to the LAPP program at the Weaverville pool.

We welcome new first grader Laiyah to Coffee Creek School. We know she will enjoy it here, and we are glad to have her join our wonderful school.

Pastor Fred and Roberta Boring attended the "Pot Party" last Friday. A video about Maria Martinez, a very famous pottery maker from San Ildefonso was shown. It was an added bonus to

our group to have Pastor Fred and Roberta and listen to reminisces of their friendship with the Martinez family. The Clay Class is still open to anyone wishing to learn how to make pottery. We meet every other week. Our next meeting will be February 8 at 12:00 for a pot-luck lunch and class at 1:00.

The Crow has returned to roost in the home it has started to feel is his permanent roosting place. Dick Eyman has once again earned the crow for reasons I cannot remember anymore. You see, since he last earned the crow, he has said so many crow worthy statements, it is impossible to remember which one was the winner. He makes it so easy.

The Trinity Lake Lions Social Night featured Coffee Creeks own world renown watercolorist, Anderson Yang, who presented a slide show of different places he has visited, including Alaska, and the Washington Glazier's. Luckily for Anderson, he has a very strong telescopic lens to get the wonderful close up shots of wild life such as Grizzly Bears, huge Black Bears, Moose, and many more.

Besides receiving accolades and honors from around the world for his watercolor paintings, Anderson received his Masters in Art History at the Taiwan National Normal University, the oldest art school in Taiwan. Anderson retired once, but the Taiwan National Normal University asked him to return as an Associate Professor of EcoArt (which is a combination of Science, Biology, and Fine Arts). Mr. Yang believes in "hands on" learning, and takes his students outdoors where they can study art and nature close up.

I am happy to report that Dewey Baird is recovering nicely after his double heart by-pass. A couple of weeks ago, while at a TCVFD training meeting, Dewey told Chief Chatterton he didn't feel well. (He thought he had the flu) After being connected to the monitors, the EMT's felt he should go to the hospital for further check. Good thing he listened to his body and to the EMT's advice, because he was a heart attack waiting to happen and underwent surgery the next day. Chief Chatterton stresses that people should listen to their bodies and not rationalize the symptoms and become lulled into a false sense of security. He says, "I am aware of at least two instances in which the patient did not call us quickly enough, and died, probably as a result." He said, "These are two of the reasons why I am such a strong advocate of our selling patients on the idea of accepting treatment and transport. If they do get to the hospital, and it does turn out that in fact there was no major problem, then no harm no foul."

We have been conditioned to think a heart attack feels like we see in the movies. Can't breath and in paralyzing pain. That could be a heart attack, but so could indigestion or nausea, pains in the arm, shoulder, jaw and other symptoms. Dewey feels like all of us who have had our lives saved by the TC and CC VFD's. They are our heroes.