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On Monday morning I sent out an e-mail asking people if they had anything for the North Forty this week. Howard Power and I then went fishing on the Trinity River, downriver from Junction City. We didn't catch much, but we had a great day on the river. When I returned from fishing, I had more information than room in the article.

If you're a Coffee Creek resident, you need to mark October 4 on your calendar. An important community meeting will be held at the CCVFD at 4 p.m. Some of the topics will include the CCVFD report on emergency response capabilities and fuel reduction zones and grants.

Also, tonight, Sept. 24, is the Coffee Creek Elementary School's *Back to School Night* along with the unveiling of the historical plaque honoring 112 years of educating the students of Coffee Creek. Festivities begin at 5:30. The volleyball team, made up of Coffee Creek and Trinity Center students has their second game on Thursday the 25th at Douglas City Elementary School at 4 p.m.

Francie Epperson asked me to publically thank Mary Hamilton for her Old Trinity Center tour for the students at Coffee Creek School. The tour began in the New Trinity Center where they were introduced to some of the buildings that were originally in the Old Trinity Center, including the IOOF Hall and the McDonald's home. The tour then moved to the dry lakebed where the students saw where the town used to be. Mary also brought along photographs of how the town looked way back then. Thanks Mary!

Happy Birthday Bonnie Groves!

As you know, the fires, smoke and low lake levels have had a serious effect on local business. Please do what you can to support our local businesses in this difficult time. On that note, the Jaktri Market is having a "We had a terrible summer due to the fires" sale. Everything in the "Mall" is 50% off. It's not too early to start Christmas shopping!

Greg & Debbie Amoss and Brian & Mary Bogdanich, along with four guests, recently enjoyed a fabulous dinner and wine pairing at Alpine Cellars Winery. This was the dinner and wine pairing that was donated by Alpine Cellars for the CCVFD Chili Feed and Auction. The party of eight enjoyed an avocado mousse and shrimp appetizer with a White Riesling. Next came a green salad with a Pinot Gris followed by BBQ Prime Rib, vegetables and Yorkshire pudding with a Reserve Merlot. The evening was finished off with apples, cheese and Chardonnay. All this took place in the beautiful setting of Alpine Cellars.

Sound like something you would enjoy? Come to next year's CCVFD Chili Feed and Auction and you may walk away with the next great dinner or some other fantastic auction item.

Here's a big **GET WELL** for Marianne Keese! The library and post office await your return.

Thanks again for all the submissions. Please keep them coming!