North Forty 12/10/08 By Betty Eyman

Are you going to be at the FREE Lion's Senior Dinner served to seniors 65 and older Saturday at 6:00 P.M..at the IOOF Hall. I wouldn't miss this ham and turkey dinner THAT I DID NOT Have to cook, or have to do the dishes.. I will see you there.

Virginia Allin has became our newest Director on Trinity Center's Community Service District Board. Virginia, a 5 year resident of Trinity Center, and before that, a many years visitor, has been very active in community affairs and looks forward to actively working to support local businesses and help the community thrive, while helping keep our fire fighters and medical team in the established high quality we residents have come to trust with our lives. Welcome Virginia, we are proud to have you represent us on the CSD Board, and look forward to your fresh and energetic approach and ideals.

This opens up the need to replace the position that Virginia held as the Fire Department's Bookkeeper. The main responsibilities of that position are to tract and acknowledge incoming donations. If you are interested in helping our Fire Department by filling this voluntary unpaid position, please call Chief Roger Chatterton at 266-3333.

Christmas has come to the North Forty communities. Both of our elementary schools have been diligently preparing Christmas programs to entertain us once again. The Trinity Center School students, directed by our beloved Mary Hanson, will be presenting "Jingle All The Way" in two performances at the IOOF Hall on Wednesday December 17. The first performance will be presented at 10:30 a.m. and a repeat performance at: 6:00 p.m. Parents are being asked to bring a plate of cookies or other goodies to serve after the evening performance.

Coffee Creek Students will be presenting a Christmas program of "Old Fashion Caroling" at the IOOF Hall Monday, December 15, at 6:30 p.m. Director, John Garrett along with Laura Umtierre, both teachers at the school, proudly present their students to us for our enjoyment. Refreshments will be served after the performance. They will also give us the opportunity to buy Dutch Bulbs that will make excellent last minute gift, and they are guaranteed to bloom . Such a suweet deal, as my grandchildren would say.

My eight year old grandson, Rian, and his 4 year old sister, Reilly, will be doing their 4th Annual Food and Gift Drive this year for the Santa Rosa Food Bank, and a Children's Home. Last year, at 7 and 3 years old, the two walked at least 11 miles, collecting 1,059 ponds of food, 53 toys and \$800, earning the name "Hunger Fighter" and a badge with a red apple dressed in blue tights and yellow cape and flexing his muscles. This years goal is to collect 1,100 lbs of food, 60 toys. and \$1,000. But how can you beat the title "Hunger Fighter" and that tripped out badge? I am so proud of those two. They are an inspiration for a lot of us adults. I can't help but wonder what these two will be doing as adults.