

NORTH FORTY
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Fall colors are running strong in the North Lake area. There has been a lot of color change during the last week with the creek areas having the best color. Be sure to take some time out and rediscover one of the attributes that makes our lake area so memorable.

The 2011 North Trinity Lake Phone Directory is in the making. If you have updates and/or would like to renew an ad, please send your information to the Coffee Creek VFD Fireflies, HC2 Box 3951, Trinity Center, CA 96091.

Mark your calendars for the next Trinity Lake Revitalization Alliance community meeting on Monday, Oct 25 at the Trinity Center IOOF Hall at 6:30pm. At this meeting we will cover new water issues and progress since our last meeting, update you on lake and forest recreation access, review community vision input, and develop vision statements for the community plan.

Trinity County LAFCO will review Trinity Center CSD's application to annex the Covington Mill communities on Tuesday, Oct 26, at 4:00pm, at the Weaverville library. Come to this meeting to show support for our neighbors. For information, contact Mike McHugh, 266-3568.

The Trinity Center CSD is looking for a general manager--a job description is linked on the NorthTrinityLake.com homepage. This state-mandated, volunteer position serves as the chief administrative officer of the CSD and implements policies set by the CSD Board. A "statement of qualifications" is due to the CSD by October 31. Mail to TCCSD, PO Box 177, Trinity Center, 96091. For information, contact Glenn Ahmann, 266-3504.

Trinity Center School has designated the week of October 25-29 as Red Ribbon Week (stay free of drugs and alcohol). Many activities are planned with each day having a theme culminating with their annual Fall Festival on Friday, October 29.

Mark your calendar for a Christmas Craft Faire on Sat. Nov. 6 at the Coffee Creek Church Community Center. The faire will be open from 10am to 3pm. Come join us for a cup of coffee and to get a jump on your holiday shopping list.

The Mountain Communities Healthcare District Board will hold a public forum and board meeting at the Trinity Center IOOF Hall from 6-9pm Tuesday, Nov 16. The board seeks community input and will answer questions regarding the performance of the district, including progress since the parcel tax was assessed. The first 20 minutes will be an introduction, followed by community sharing, then the board meeting.

Now that winter is just around the corner and nights are getting colder, many of us are starting to use our fireplaces. Please be sure to get your chimney cleaned early. Flue fires are our VFD's #1 fire call. An ounce of prevention could save you a huge headache and a huge budget expense. In addition to cleaning, please be sure that your fire extinguishers are still fully charged and that the powder is loose and not packed at the bottom due to years of non-movement. Finally, test your smoke alarms to be sure that the batteries are still working. Let's be safe out there.