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The North Trinity Lake Improvement Association (NTLIA) was created 30 years ago with the primary function to maintain and make improvements to the over 100 year old I.O.O.F. hall (now called the North Community Lake Community Club). An elected board of seven members manages and maintains the hall that is used for public and private functions within our community. Members of the community hold town meetings, benefit dinners, weddings, memorials, private parties, etc. The local schools use it for school plays, graduations, music rehearsals, etc. The NTL Lions Club meets in the hall. It also is home to the Friday Night Teen Club, line dance classes, Catholic Church, and an aerobics class.

Maintenance and improvements to the building and grounds is made possible by membership dues, rental fees, state grants (when available), and donations and volunteer labor. The main source of rental fees comes from the aerobics class, school, the Lions Club. Special members and organizations in our community volunteer their time to repair and improve the hall, such as Vance Langford and his daughter who patched the cement cracks in the porch and repaired a long crack on the tennis court, and Betty Jenner who painted the stage and bathrooms and put a protective coating on the wood floor, and the NTL Lions Club who has done major upgrading on the kitchen and other projects for the hall and Jim Goss who has done numerous electrical projects.

The hall is owned by Trinity County, who is responsible for major structural repairs, but anything else is the responsibility of the community. The hall is there for our use, and we use it a lot. Now it is starting to need the communities help. The operating expense exceeded its yearly budget by \$300 this year due largely to the increase in the cost of fuel, which was \$3,250 for the year -- \$1,250 more that last year.

Audrey Goss, a member of the Board of Directors said, "There has been some very generous donations, and those donations and volunteer labor are very much appreciated". The hall relies on our continuing support, and if more people join the membership drive that only asks for \$5 a year for a single and \$10 a year for a family, it could bring the budget up to cover operating expenses, but not for any new improvements. The board hopes to have a fund raiser this year to raise money for that purpose. Those who have not joined, remember the fee is deductible and the checks should be made out to N.T.L.I.A. and mailed to: P.O. Box 205, Trinity Center, CA 96091.

Audrey Goss and the members of the Board of Directors for the N.T.L.I.A. would like to invite everyone in the community (you do not need to be a member) to a pot-luck dinner at the hall at 6:00 p.m. on September 19th. Please bring your own plates, utensils, and what ever you wish to drink, plus a favorite dish to share. Norm Zeppa will entertain us with his magic music.

There will be a "Celebration of Life" at the Coffee Creek Community Church for three "Grand Ladies" who touched our lives and made us better because of it. Louise Birch, Cleo Seymour, and Elizabeth (Lib) Rymer will be remembered together and their lives celebrated for the love, leadership and brightness they brought to our world. These three wonderful ladies personally touched our entire community with their love, and raised the bar with their example of how all people should love and care for each other.

Pastor Fred Boring invites EVERYONE in the community to come to the "Celebration" Sunday, 24th of September at 10:00, which will replace church services for that day. There will be a pot-luck immediately following the celebration.

The Trinity Center and Coffee Creek Fire Department's First Responder class has been set for 8 Thursday nights from 6-10 PM, and 4 Saturdays from 1-4 PM, with the first class starting on

Thursday, September 21, and the last class (the Final Exam) on Saturday November 11, at 1 PM. All classes will be held at the Coffee Creek Fire Department.

The instructor of the class, Dr. Glenn Koby, Director of Emergency Medical Services for both fire departments, will be assisted by the EMT's from CCVFD and TCVFD. This is a required class for all volunteer fire personnel and is highly recommended for FEAT and auxiliary members and is also of value to persons within the north lake community who do not wish to affiliate with a fire department.

If you were not at the planning meeting last Saturday night, and plan on attending the class OR will miss the first class, please contact Sue Chatterton at 266-3677 so she can put your name on the class roster. There is no cost for the class, but there will be a fee for the text book. However, a request has been made to the North Lake Lions club to donate fund for the text books. It is a very well organized book and will be a very valuable addition to your home library.

The 8th annual EMS Expo sponsored by Trinity County Life Support, was held last Saturday at the Weaverville Volunteer Fire Department and was attended by 35 to 40 EMS personnel from all the Volunteer Fire Departments in the area. The day long event allowed the First Responders to attend hands on training sessions and lectures to keep their skills at top notch level. At one point, the VFD's broke into teams for a timed participation event on Spine Immobilization and Backboards. The combined team from TCVFD and CCVFD consisting of TCVFD EMT's Jay and Mary Ann Bunce, Sue Chatterton and Mike Mayo, and CCVFD EMT's. Jim Abercrombie, Jerry Van Gieson, and Bob and Linda Cunningham won first place. The prize for this event was a large canvas tote bag full of hundreds of dollars worth of medical supplies and equipment.

The Expo Coordinator from the Trinity County Life Support was Scott Bourke. The faculty consisted of Kathy Ratliff, Jamie Drain, Ryan Samuelson, Eric Engleman and Larry Brown, all from TC Life Support. The volunteer "victims" were Jim Ratliff and Hannah Drain. Speakers for the day were, Richard Daly, Mercy Hospital, Martha Mitchell, Reach – Shasta Regional, Eric Rogers Reach, and Susan High, PHI Helicopter, Mercy Hospital.