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North Forty

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Leah Groves of East Fork won the local competition of the California Lions 72nd Student Speaker Contest on February 12. Leah now moves on to the Zone level in March, representing the Trinity Lake Lions Club. Leah and Jaycee Journey, both Trinity High School students and graduates of Coffee Creek School, gave speeches at the Weaverville competition. This year's topic is "Water – Will California be Left High and Dry?"

The Student Speaker Contest, which has a long history dating back to 1937, allows high school students the opportunity to hone their speaking skills while exploring a thought-provoking topic. Students are allotted eight to ten minutes in which to present their speeches. Judges evaluate them on both content and presentation. Students who win at the local level go on to zone, region, district, and area events, earning money for scholarships along the way. The winner of the final Multiple District competition will receive a \$10,000 scholarship. Congratulations, Leah, and we are rooting for you in March!

Are you dreaming of Spring? The Coffee Creek School still has packages of quality spring bulbs for sale. The packages are available in a variety of flower types and cost \$10 per package. To get your bulbs, pick them up at the school or call the school for delivery—266-3344.

Mark your calendar in red on March 14 for the Trinity Lake Lions' Little Reno Night. This is a fun annual event that raises money for many Lions projects, such as the free Fishing Derby in May, community projects, and student scholarships. The casino night starts at 7:00 P.M. at the Trinity Center IOOF Hall and runs until midnight. Come when you want, and stay for a little while or until midnight. Lions members will operate a no-host bar, and free popcorn is provided. After purchasing chips at the door, you can play Black Jack, Craps, or Texas Hold 'em. During the night, you can "spend" your chip winnings on a variety of donated prizes.

Join the Mystery Book Club on March 4 at 7:00 P.M. as they journey to jolly old England and help Agatha Christie solve "The Murder of Roger Ackroyd." This work is one of Christie's best known and most controversial novels, its innovative twist ending having a significant impact on the genre. Our literary detectives will meet at Mary Hamilton's house.

The next Trinity Center Community Services District meeting is Tuesday, March 3 at the Trinity Center IOOF Hall at 6:30 P.M. On the agenda are committee reports on the new fire house project and the possible annexation of several communities south of the district.

And, while your calendar is out, be sure that you have Saturday, June 13 marked for the annual Trinity Center VFD BBQ. Last year's event was such a success at its new location on the IOOF Hall grounds that we are returning to the Hall again this year. The BBQ is the department's biggest fundraiser of the year. Please invite friends and family to join you at this fun community event.