

North Forty (January 20, 2010)
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Come help raise money for our local earthquake victims in Eureka while you enjoy a hearty breakfast with friends and neighbors. The Trinity Lake Lions invite you to the *Lions Helping Lions for Eureka Earthquake Relief* pancake breakfast on Sunday, January 31 starting at 9:00am. Members will serve breakfast until everyone has eaten, at least to 1:30pm.

You will not go away from this breakfast hungry! For \$8.00/person, you get 3 pancakes, 4 sausages, eggs, juice, and coffee. Lions members are available to provide pickup and return service to this event and meal delivery is available for local community members.

The money raised will be given to the Eureka Lions for distribution to earthquake victims in the Eureka area. If you have questions or would like to volunteer to help, please contact Brian Bogdanich at 266-3305. Donation checks for this relief support effort are also greatly appreciated.

Eureka emergency response spokesman Gary Bird said that, as of Thursday morning 1/14, Eureka received 463 damage reports and updated the city's damage assessment to \$21.3 million. Of the city's damaged buildings, three government buildings -- the water and sewer building, Dock B, and the Eureka Municipal Auditorium Annex -- received "major" damage. Work crews have been readying the Old Town Bar and Grill building for demolition. Bricks from the old building will be sold off at \$5 apiece, with all the proceeds to go to *Keep Eureka Beautiful* street trees program. While touring Eureka, Governor Schwarzenegger pledged to buy 1,000 bricks. Twenty homes, so far, have over \$10,000 in damage.

On Thursday, Jan 28, the Trinity Lake Lions Club proudly presents our very own Jim Taylor, recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor, as guest speaker. Jim will share his experiences as well as those of the late Jim Swett, also a Congressional Medal of Honor recipient. This program is a tribute to veterans and friends of veterans that the entire community will not want to miss. Contact Barry Bowen, 266-3623 with any question. Contact Cheryl at 266-3216, or Cindi at 266-3504 for reservations.

To round out the month, don't forget the NTLIA community potluck on Saturday, January 23. The potluck begins at 6pm. with the Lions Bingo starting between 7:00 and 7:30pm. Please bring a dish to share, your own beverages, plates and silverware. Bingo cards are \$4 each until the last round when you can get one for a dollar. The proceeds are split with half going to prize money and the other half to the Lions' charitable activities.

On the tentative agenda for February will be a community meeting updating everyone in the north lake area about the annexation of the communities south of Trinity Center into the Trinity Center Community Services District. Watch for an announcement.

We are all delighted with latest rain that we so desperately need in the upper Trinity River watershed. You can watch the lake level and learn more about lake management using the resource links available on the NorthTrinityLake.com homepage, and in the online Community Roundtable.