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**MARCH 2019**

## CALENDAR

### Colman Museum

Open Saturdays & Sundays 1-4 pm  
Come by for a visit & bring a friend!

**March 6th**

**Wednesday**

CRHA Board Meeting  
6:00 at the Schoolhouse

**March 16th**

**Saturday**

Potluck at the Schoolhouse  
6:30 pm - everyone welcome  
(More info on this page)

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**April 27th**

**Saturday**

Vintage Fashion Show at the  
Chico Women's Club

Benefit for CRHA (Colman Museum)  
& HRCBA (Re-build the Bridge)

More information inside -  
Volunteers needed!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS-**

**June 2nd, Sunday**

**49'er Faire at the**

**Colman Museum &  
Centerville Schoolhouse**

More information inside -  
Volunteers needed!

**MARCH POTLUCK SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH**  
**Centerville Schoolhouse**

**6:30 pm**

Bring a  
dish to  
share ...



Hosted by:  
Andrew Burke &  
Sarah Adams

And your  
own  
Tableware.

**Everyone**

**Welcome!**

**PHOTOS OF YOUR HOME BEFORE THE  
CAMP FIRE ARE NEEDED FOR THE  
COLMAN MUSEUM.**

As we are all so aware, we have lived through an  
historic event that has great impact on all our lives  
and on the history of Butte Creek Canyon.

Our Colman Museum Curator, Claudia Lang, is  
putting together a display of Canyon homes that  
were lost due to the fire. If you have a photograph  
of your home that you would like to have included  
as part of the record of our history, it would be  
greatly appreciated and respected.

**Please contact Claudia Lang at  
the Colman Museum or leave a phone message  
at 893-9667.**

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Museum Website: [CentervilleMuseum.com](http://CentervilleMuseum.com) Bridge Website: [hrcoveredbridge.org](http://hrcoveredbridge.org)

Facebook: @Centerville Schoolhouse @HRCBA





The Canyon bird says: "A kindness is never wasted"



**CRHA News** The 49<sup>er</sup> Faire is happening, **Sunday, June 2nd!** Time to celebrate our Canyon with music, food, beer & wine, crafts, plant sale, bake sale, and our terrific Silent Auction at the Centerville Schoolhouse and Colman Museum. This historic, fun, annual Faire, in its 51st year, brings in the necessary funds to keep the Museum and Schoolhouse open, maintained, upgraded, and available for our Canyon community.

**GET INVOLVED - VOLUNTEER - YOU ARE NEEDED!** Please help out with the Plant Sale, Silent Auction, Bake Sale, Activities for children & teen, Serving Food, Set Up and Clean Up. Lots of jobs. Share in the fun and festivities! **Call 893-9667** - leave your name, phone number, and a message that you want to volunteer for the Faire. You will be contacted! Thanks.

### Honey Run Covered Bridge Rebuild Update!!! February 21, 2019.

On or about the first week of April 2019, the Honey Run Covered Bridge Park and the site of the park caretaker's residence will finally be cleared of rubble from the disaster of the Camp Fire on November 8, 2018. Once the rubble is removed, the HRCBA will then be able to apply for permits to have our electricity restored from the county, wait on PG&E to hook it up, have our septic tank inspected and organize a volunteer effort so we can clean up the property and have it ready to open for the 53rd annual Pancake Breakfast on June 2, 2019.

The Pancake Breakfast this year will be dedicated to efforts to rebuild the Bridge and keep the Park open until the rebuild is complete. We will once again be honored to have Captain Bob's Pancake Wagon from the Butte County Sheriff's Office serving pancakes, sausage and beverages to attendees. We will also have drawings, giveaways and 'Rebuild the Bridge' items for sale. A young HRCBA supporter all the way from Texas will have a special item for sale.

During this excruciatingly slow process of re-opening the Park, the HRCBA has not been sitting back on our heels. We have hit the ground running and have taken bids to replace and/or repair broken gates and perimeter fencing, re-gravel the parking area which was used as a staging area and damaged by trucks and heavy equipment during the disaster recovery effort, and we are working with a landscape architect to plan the new look for the Park.

The HRCBA is also soliciting and accepting donations from individuals, private foundations and service organizations to help with funding. We just received a \$25,000 dollar donation from a construction management 501 (c) 3 charity and presented by Chris Souder to HRCBA Vice-president Walt Schafer and Treasurer Mike Fitzsimmons (see photo). Some volunteer and community service organizations affiliated with California State University-Chico and a local high school have contacted us about providing volunteers for the grounds cleanup. Financial assistance has also been solicited to replace the caretaker's residence.

Anyone who would like to donate or offer their time toward the Rebuild can contact the HRCBA at our website, [hrcba.org](http://hrcba.org) by leaving a message or calling (530) 891-1838. You can also leave a message on our Facebook page or you can send an e-mail to HRCBA President, Robert Catalano at [jake-shuman2@earthlink.net](mailto:jake-shuman2@earthlink.net) and put 'Rebuild the Bridge' in the Subject header.

We appreciate each and every one of you who has helped or will help in the Rebuild process by volunteering, creating merchandise for sale, holding events and donating money, buying items through the Facebook or website of the Rebuild HRCB, or any other effort. The HRCBA would also like to thank Butte Creek Canyon Residents and for their support over the years. With your continued assistance we will REBUILD THE BRIDGE.



**OUR CANYON NEWSLETTER:** Please submit articles of interest, information, and photos for publication in newsletter by the 20th of the month to: [pamela@buttecreek.org](mailto:pamela@buttecreek.org). Thank you

An elegant evening with fabulous fashions from elegant eras worn by fabulous women...what more could you ask! Ladies and gents, come and enjoy a delightful evening and help support our Canyon treasures—the Colman Museum and the Honey Run Covered Bridge Rebuild. **Volunteers are needed!** Models, Support for the event logistics, Beverage Sales.

Please contact Bonnie Calhoon at:  
[brcalhoon@gmail.com](mailto:brcalhoon@gmail.com)

### Items of Interest:

If you are interested in having **DSL** contact:  
**Juan Vargas (AT&T) 925-804-5540**

**Our neighbors are in need.** Debris clean up has begun and properties need to be free of folks being present on them. We have neighbors living in trailers and RV's on their properties who need a spot to park them. If you have room and can offer a place, or if you need a place, please call **893-9667**.

**Leave a message to either offer a place or request a spot to place your RV or trailer.**



### VINTAGE FASHION SHOW



Benefit for:  
Centerville Recreation and Historical Association (Colman Museum) and  
Honey Run Covered Bridge Association

**Chico Women's Club**  
**Saturday, April 27, 2019**  
**Doors open at 6 pm.**

**Tickets: \$30 (cash or checks only)**  
**Available At:**  
Colman Museum 13548 Centerville Road,  
Bootleg 126 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Steet,  
Chico History Museum 141 Salem Street

- ❖ Champagne, beer, and desserts available
- ❖ Music & Dancing
- ❖ Experience the history and fun of fashion
- ❖ Commentary about Butte Creek Canyon at 7pm
- ❖ Fashion show to start at 7:30
- ❖ Drawing to follow



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### Butte Creek Canyon Homes Count- Post 2018 Camp Fire

412 Pre-fire total residences (includes mobile home park) number is based on USPS mailing figure

191 Total destroyed (46%)

144 Residences

47 Mobile Home Park addresses

223 Total Residences remaining standing (54%)

(These figures are a "best estimate" based on a visual inspection by CRHA board members Nancy O'Neil and Teresa Kludt of destroyed and standing residences on January 19, 2019, combined with Butte County Department of Development Services data received on total number of destroyed homes.)

**More wattles & native rye grass plants are available, at no charge to you.** They are being held at Fire Station #26 on Honey Run Road. Stakes for placing the wattles are there as well. Now is the time to place wattles around the perimeter of your property, if it has burned, to prevent runoff of erosion and toxins that may enter the creek during these rain events. The native rye grass has deep roots for holding soil in place and is drought tolerant. We need to protect the water quality of Butte Creek, and our soils from toxins that are present in our environment from the burnt materials (heavy metals, rubber, plastics, oil, insulation and so on) due to the Camp Fire. **Important –if your well is near the creek, you need to have it tested.**

**Instructions** on how to place wattles properly may be found on the **Friends of Butte Creek website: [www.buttecreek.org](http://www.buttecreek.org)** on the **Butte County RCD website: [www.bccrd.org/fire-recovery-for-landowners](http://www.bccrd.org/fire-recovery-for-landowners).**

Lots of other helpful information to aid you in your recovery can also be found on this website. Together, we can make our Canyon beautiful again!