FORMER TRONANS CLUB

April, 2016

2016 has come fast, hasn't it? It doesn't seem like two years since the Centennial Celebration, but it's time again to plan for the 2016 Former Tronans Picnic. This year the Picnic will be held on October 8th. That's the second weekend in October. The Searles Lake Gem and Mineral Show will also be at that same time, so be sure to walk through and see some of our local artists and their presentations.

We would appreciate hearing from you whether or not you plan to attend. Let us know how you and your family are doing and be sure to verify your address, phone number and email address (if you have one). Thank you to all who made donations to cover our expenses last time!

TIME AND PLACE

This year's picnic will be held on Saturday, October 8th beginning at 10:00 AM at the Trona Elementary School (the Round School) on Athol Street.

FOOD

Sack lunches (sandwich, chips, fruit cup, dessert) are available for \$8 each at the picnic. Please include payment with your response as these lunches must be pre-ordered. Beverages will be provided by the club.

The Trona Community Church always sponsors a pancake breakfast on Saturday and Sunday mornings from 6 a.m. until 10 a.m. The cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children seven and under. It is a great way to start your morning!

The Trona Elks will have a deep-pit BBQ (beef or pork) Saturday evening from 3 p.m. until gone. If you're interested, call the Trona Elks and let them know. Food is also available at the Trails Drive-in and at Esparza's Family Restaurant (old Theater) on Main Street.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

The Searles Lake Gem and Mineral Society will be celebrating their 75th annual Gem-O-Rama on October 8th and 9th. Free Plant Tours by bus at 11, 11:40, 12:20, 1 p.m. and 2:30 on Saturday only. For additional information, please refer to the flier included in this letter.

The museums of the Searles Valley Historical Society – Old Guest House, History House, and the Trona Railway, will be open on Saturday from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. and on Sunday from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. The Fire Museum will be open on Saturday only.

LODGING

Pinnacle Inn	Clarion Inn	Comfort Inn
84368 Trona Road	901 N. China Lake Blvd.	507 S. China Lake Blvd
Trona, CA 93562	Ridgecrest, CA 93555	Ridgecrest, CA 93555
(760) 372-5795	(760) 446-7910	(760) 375-9731
Hampton Inn & Suites	Spring Hill Suites (Marriott	:) Heritage Inn & Suites
104 E. Sydnor Ave.	113 E. Sydnor Ave	1050 N. Norma
Ridgecrest, CA 93555	Ridgecrest, CA 93555	Ridgecrest, CA 93555
(760) 446-1968	(800) 741-5072	(800 843-0693

Best Western China Lake Inn 400 S. China Lake Blvd Ridgecrest, CA 93555 760 371-2300

Camping is available at Valley Wells for a nominal fee (only for the weekend).

We're looking forward to seeing all our friends. Please let us know by returning the enclosed attendance form.

See you at the Picnic!

Nicki (Weidenbenner) Johnson

Enclosures