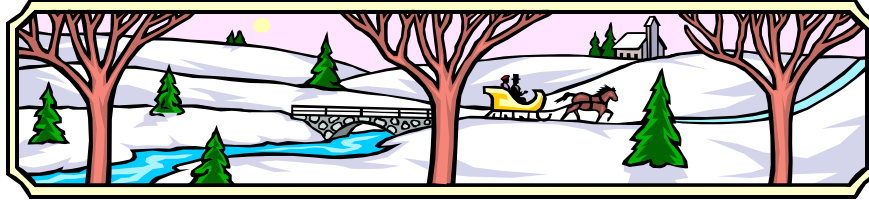


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Twilight School

By Paula Sweeney

The next planned Twilight School will be February 10th, from 6pm to 8pm.

We have Joan Journey from Journey Home Hospice. Learn more about our local hospice and how you can get involved. Also, because of our recent loss of Kristin Mumm, if you would like to share your feelings, please feel free to participate. All are welcome!

Leland Pauly will also be there to tell his tales of Camptonville's old trails and stagecoach routes and a lot of other interesting facts.

See inserted flyer for list of classes and please call the Resource Center at 288-9355 if you have ideas, suggestions or would like to volunteer your talents in any way.

See you February 10th!

Sticks and stacks

Every winter, storms make a big mess at our cemetery. This year, as usual, the grounds are covered with twigs and branches from those beautiful but messy Cedars. Last year eight volunteers spent a pleasant afternoon cleaning up. **We would like to invite the community to join us on Sunday February 22 at 1PM**, weather permitting. Picking up sticks and making stacks is good exercise, and many hands make light work. Kids can do this too. Bring your own boxes and take home some great fire starter. We will have snacks and hot beverages to keep you going. For further info you can call Rod or Rochelle at 288-3550.

Camptonville Buddies doing it again

By Judy Morris

Fun, raffles, games, exercise, food, fresh air, friendships, overnight camping, 24 hr. party and finding a cure. What is all this about??? It's about YOU!!! Mark your calendars now: Sat. & Sun. June 5th & 6th Nevada County's Relay For Life. You can decide now to be a part of the 2004 Camptonville Buddies Relay For Life Team and participate in all those activities; (fun, raffles, games, etc.). Last year our thirteen team members raised \$2000.

Help us show Nevada County what Camptonville residents can do. We are looking for a team captain and team members -- all interested people can call Judy 288-1228. Let's keep on walking.

2004 "Gold Pages"

Don't miss out on listing your community service or business in the Camptonville Gold Pages. DEADLINE is February 15th. Contact Pam at the Camptonville Resource Center 288-9355 for more information.

Give where you live

By Shirley DickKard

Camptonville folks have a remarkable history of supporting each other as good neighbors and volunteers, and through the many programs and activities at the Resource Center. Unfortunately, most of these programs have been supported by grants and funding sources that are drying up – a casualty of today's budget crisis and unstable economy.

This is why we, the Camptonville Community Partnership, are now turning to our community for help in continuing what was started. These activities have brought the generations in our community together in new and creative ways: Twilight School • youth after school and summer programs • 1,2,3 Grow for families with children 0-5 years • the Senior Forum • free counseling and help with crisis situations • CanWORK employment and training • parenting classes • lice checks and school support • the Community Celebration • support groups • referrals to services • Town Hall meetings • "The Gold Pages" • Camptonville Story project • recovery support • grants for subsidized health care • "Roots and Shoots" • Courier support • and just a friendly place where everyone is welcome.

What better way to contribute than by making a *tax-deductible donation* to your own community! Funds will stay right here in Camptonville and go toward keeping the programs open: program supplies, emergency services, transportation, printing, refreshments for activities, and staff salaries. Your contribution whether \$1 or \$1,000 is a vote to keep the good work going.

Contributions can be made to The Camptonville Community Partnership and mailed to C.C.P., PO Box 218, Camptonville, CA 95922. We thank you for *giving where you live*.

Roots & Shoots begins!

By Audrey Bowman

Camptonville Roots & Shoots held their first meeting January 12th in the school library. We had a great turn out with eighteen students attending.

During this first meeting we discussed projects, goals and objectives. One of our first projects will be a fundraising Valentine's Day bake sale to be held on Thursday February 12th. We are also planning a trip to Folsom Zoo Sanctuary where we will go on a behind-the-scenes tour. Folsom Zoo Sanctuary is home for non-releasable wild animals. The Zoo Sanctuary has asked us to make bat and bird houses for them. We will install them on a return trip to the Zoo Sanctuary and they will add plaques to the houses.

We have a lot of fun activities planned including organic gardening, bat detecting, bat and bird house building, and lots more! Our membership has swelled to 27 members and considering what we are doing, it is no surprise!

Roots & Shoots is the youth program of Jane Goodall International (janegoodall.org) and is led by AmeriCorps Member Audrey Bowman at Camptonville School on Mondays at 3 pm.

For more information contact Audrey at: Camptonville Resource Center (530) 288-9355 crc@cville.k12.ca.us

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Visitors from afar

By Rochelle Bell

A delightful afternoon was spent with four Buddhist Monks from Gaden Lhopa Monastery in India at the Camptonville School on Monday January 26th. Monks, students, teachers, and visiting community members had lunch together. Patsy changed the lunch menu to accommodate the monk's diet. After a tour of the school came a long question and answer session during which students asked many thoughtful questions. The monks are touring the US to share their culture and talk about life as refugees from Tibet living in India.



Moonshine trash talk

By Richard Dickard

In the last quarter of the year, the following trash was picked up on middle and upper Moonshine Road: 35 Budweiser cans, 9 Coors, 4 other beers, 3 Millers, 9 Pepsis, 9 other sodas, 3 V-8 juices, about 12 pounds of food wrappers, plastic and papers and one large metal bolt.

Would you want trash scattered around where you live? Remember that **everywhere** is somebody else's back yard. Don't be a litterbug.

Mental health news

From Nancy & Yana

Are you interested in recovery issues? The Camptonville Resource Center will host an informal meeting to discuss recovery issues, i.e. alcohol, drug, sex, relationships, food, etc. February 11, 1:00 pm at the Latter Day Saints Church in Camptonville, (Corner of Marysville & Hwy. 49) (See the enclosed insert). Who should come? Anyone who is interested in recovery, if you have family or friends in recovery, or you are in recovery.

For more information, please contact Yana Slade, Kathy Dobbins, or Nancy Niccoli at the Camptonville Resource Center 288-9355.

Food bank closes

Due to the closure of the Camptonville food bank, recipients will need to go to the North San Juan facility. Camptonville would like to thank all those who helped out over the years.

Signs

Have you wondered about all the Givens campaign signs around town? Well, it turns out that there is a local connection. Debra Givens is the niece of residents Bill and Nellie Clark. Nellie reports Bill is busy helping Debra run for Yuba County Superior Court Judge.

CanWORK

By Cathy LeBlanc

Sacramento, On Monday January 12th CanWORK members Jeanie Costa, Dia McAfee and Cathy LeBlanc went to the State Capitol with LIFETIME, Low- Income Families Empowerment through Education, to transform the steps of the Capitol into a tenement house, stringing laundry lines with over 150 shirts from poor children and families throughout the state. These shirts held the message "my budget is too small to balance the state budget on", to protest Governor Schwarzenegger's budget plan to cut welfare benefits to children by 25%. These cuts according to LIFETIME board and parent leader Vivian Haine "will take the shirts off our backs and the diapers off our babies." One small shirt from Camptonville read, "Kindergarten Cop I thought you cared about us".

The event was followed by a march to the Governor's office. Parent leaders and their children were allowed in to meet with Secretary Richard Costigan, while others stood in the hall and chanted, "Think before you Act! Don't balance the budget on our backs" All the while, the television cameras rolled as mothers chanted, nursed babies and changed diapers in the governors office. "The Governor wants to cut CalWORKs grants, COLAs, and childcare funding- the only thing left is the shirt off our backs," said LIFETIME leader Jenny Bapp.

After the visit to the Governors office Jeannie, Dia and Cathy joined three other constituents and went to Assemblyman Rick Keene and then to Senator Sam Aanestad's office to discuss how the budget cuts would affect our families. We each told our stories of how much these cuts would hurt our families. How a 5% cut in the grant

could mean that moms won't have the money to buy diapers or not have gas money and asked our Representatives to keep us in mind when discussing budget cuts.

Assemblyman Keene's aide seemed sympathetic. He told us that his sister-in-law was on welfare and that his own sister had been a recipient also. We also asked that the Representatives think about raising revenues instead of cutting the budget. California is the 5th largest economy in the WORLD.. Maybe we're not overspending. Maybe we are under taxed.





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by JEANNIE **288-0220**

Advocacy

By Cathy LeBlanc

January was an interesting month for this advocate. Here are the highlights:

Number one has to be the "Event" with LIFETIME. See page 4 for more fun details.

Second on our list was the release of the Governors' **proposed** budget. Advocates from all over the state met at the Children's Roundtable in Sacramento to see how Arnold's proposals will affect children. When a governor releases his proposals they are just proposals, not law at this time. From what I've seen over the past few years it's like buying a car. They make a high bid, you make a low bid and you meet somewhere in the middle. Part of this middle ground is met by hearing from constituents like **you**. (Senator Aanestad 916-445-3353, Assembly member Keene 916-319-2003) We need to inform our elected officials just how these cuts to the budget affect our families. For a good summary go to California Budget Project at www.cbp.org.

Budget expenditures exceed anticipated revenues by \$2.7 billion.

Some of the cuts under these headings include:

Childcare: a series of changes aimed at the working poor, college students and childcare providers including lowering their wages.

MediCAL: reduce provider rates by 10%, a cap on healthy families insurance and an exclusion of dental and vision without higher premium cost.

Other health: Implement co-payments to genetically handicapped persons. Reduce prop 99 funding for various health programs including breast cancer early detection.

CaWORKS: Require a work first agenda that would exclude many families from being able to go to college full time. (Which we know is one true way to get off welfare). Reduce child-only cash grants by 25%. Eliminate funding for county services for at risk youth. Decrease cash assistance levels by 5%.

Education: Establish prop 98 funding level (prop 98 guaranteed schools a certain percentage of the state budget.) at \$46.7 billion for k-12 education, \$2 billion below current estimate of the Prop 98 guarantee. Use local property tax revenues to fund "normal" funding adjustments for K12 enrollment growth.

Well you get the picture. I could go on. But space is limited. Please go to the web site above for a detailed description of the budget.

Okay one more thing. Check into Prop 56 the Budget Accountability Act on the March ballot. Here's some of the ways it will help us to achieve a balanced budget:

Prohibiting legislators their pay until a balanced budget is reached. Prohibit other legislative work until the budget is passed. Lower votes required by legislators to 55% from 2/3rd to pass the budget. Require a voter pamphlet on the budget summary.

For more go to www.cachildlaw.org/RT.htm

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Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training

By Audrey Bowman

We have had an outstanding response to the CERT training: Over 40 people from Camptonville and North San Juan are signed up to take the eight sessions that will qualify them to become CERT members. The first CERT training was delayed until Monday, February 2nd to allow folks from Sierra County a chance to sign up. CERT trainings will continue to be held in the North San Juan Fire Hall on Reservoir Road (located in town behind the Sierra Super Stop) at 6:30 p.m. For more information about CERT visit www.nccert.com or contact Audrey Bowman at the Resource Center, 288-9355.

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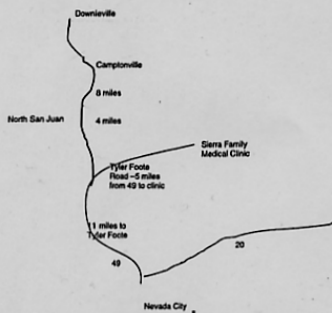
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A big thumbs up for all the clearing going on around the town. Several crews are about half way through brushing and thinning 64 acres of land. The work was funded at no cost to landowners by a USFS grant obtained by the Yuba County FireSafe Council.

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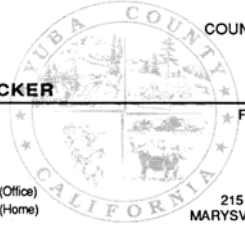
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