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Welcome Back!

By Donna Tate

It is with great joy that I announce the return of Sandy Ross (Radoff) back to Camptonville School. Sandy has officially accepted the position of Superintendent/Special Education Instructor effective July 1, 2011. For those of you who do not know Sandy, she worked at Camptonville School for many years as the Special Education Paraeducator, Club Live Advisor, Summer Recreation Coordinator and many more positions too numerous to list. For years while continuing to work at Camptonville School, Sandy attended night school to earn her degree in education, and after receiving her credential in Special Education she accepted a teaching job in Marysville. Sandy's heart, however, has always been at Camptonville School, and we are so fortunate to have her back. Congratulations Sandy!

Rebel Ridge Store Reopens

By Stephanie Ruff

Tim Thompson of Nevada City and his family, Melissa, Zack and Tyler have reopened the doors of the Rebel Ridge Store. Rovillia's delicious pasties will be back! Beer, wine, bait and fishing supplies will also be available along with propane, ice and other essentials. There are some organic foods on the shelves, and they hope to expand that section soon. They are excited about having community and music events again in the Rebel Ridge field. A Grand Opening is being planned so watch for fliers!

The Thompson Family looks forward to meeting the community so stop by and say hello. July hours 8:00am-9:00pm. daily Closed Tuesdays. 288-3368.

4th of July Festivities Downieville

The fun starts **Saturday**, July 2nd with a Firemen's Muster from 12-3. Tri-tip BBQ begins at 4:00. Line dancing at 6:00. The Street Dance, which starts at 9:00, will benefit the fire department.

Sunday, July 3rd—street vendors

Monday, July 4th—parade begins after the noon whistle, and at 2pm the foot races and tug-o-war games will commence. Come join the fun!



Melissa and Zack Thompson new proprietors of the Rebel Ridge Store.

Twilight School

By Barbara Mueller-Hogan

We have had a busy month with lots of events happening in the community. However Twilight School is STILL Here! And will be continuing on Thursday nights till the end of August from 6:00 till 7:30 at Camptonville School. We're looking forward to more fun and fitness evenings, and hope to see old and new faces throughout the summer. Favorites for June were the Pilates Class and our movie night where we watched "Tangled" while the health education class, bought to us by California Rural Legal Assistance, provided us with useful information on debt consolidation..

July's offerings - Lucille will be bringing us FRIZBEE DISC GOLF on July 7th, Pilates in the teacher's room, and Family Games on the playground. Our Health Education segment for this month will be on July 21st. Look forward to an interactive video from "Lunch, Love and Community". Here's a chance to see how other communities are engaging folks around food and nutrition and an opportunity for us to discuss what we'd like to do here. The makers of Lunch Love and Community are interested in what we are doing here in C'Ville and may want to include us in a future video. We also want to discuss ways to share our ideas and collaborations for culture and the arts.

Everyone's invited to an end of July To-Your-Health POTLUCK and BBQ - JULY 30th 6-8:00 at Camptonville School! We'll have a HOT grill going. and Cathy will be showing us ways to BBQ our summer Veggies. So bring something for the grill and plan on spending your Thursday evenings this summer at Twilight School With a Twist.

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Free Emergency Preparedness Fair will take place on Saturday, July 9th from 10am-2pm at the Willow Glen Restaurant parking lot in Oregon House. There will be free demos on bread making, food storage, 72-hour kits, ham radio and much more. This information is very valuable for everyone. The Red Cross, Master Gardeners, Boy Scouts, local Fire and Sheriff departments and Cal Fire will be there to answer your questions. Free food and vaccinations (for people not pets) will also be available. Come meet Emergency Preparedness author Howard Godfree!

Don't miss this important event-13809 Willow Glen Rd., Oregon House. For more info call (530) 675-1447.

The Camptonville Community's hearts and thoughts are with John Reader and his dog during this difficult time. We are very sorry.

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Bigger Pig Next Year...or Maybe Two!

By Donna Tate

Who would have thought a 300lb pig wouldn't feed the town of Camptonville? Despite running out of food just before 7pm, the CVFD Pig Roast and Karaoke was a huge success. Special thanks to Brian Price for the days--and I mean days--of prep work digging, burning, stuffing, wrapping, burying, digging some more, carving and mostly a lot of praying. Also, a big thanks to the roasting crew who put the pig in the ground at about 10pm Friday night and 18 hours later it rose from the ground--with a little help from Robert Harvey, his tractor and several shovels--roasted to perfection. It was great to have an event at the fire hall, since it was built by this awesome community. Without all of you our own fire hall would never have been possible.

The raffle was a great hit and although the Karaoke started a little slow, by the end of the evening it was quite a party. The event raised \$2000 for the Fire Department. Fundraisers like this will help ours continue to be the best department in the foothills! Thanks to the Auxiliary, the Fire Department and a big thanks to Taylor, Rita's granddaughter, for volunteering her entire day to help us out. See you all next year, with plenty of food.



Donna Tate, Brian Prince and Mike Gray admiring the pig!

123 Grow Graduates

By Birdsong Sundstrom

123 Grow Preschool graduates prepare for their commencement ceremony under the direction of their teacher, Yakshi Vadeboncoeur. From left to right: Bryson Miller, Mandalin Rogers, Jacob Boyd, Charlie Read, Mason DeMaranville, and Jadon Bingham. Absent was Noah Noble.



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Can C'ville be Self-Sufficient during Emergencies?

By Judy Morris

YES WE CAN!!!! The meeting held June 1st to answer many questions, raise many more, & to lead us towards being able to take care of ourselves in emergencies until professional help arrives. was attended by 14 Camptonville residents & personnel from Yuba County O.E.S., PG & E, Red Cross, Yuba Co. Sheriffs' .Hal Stocker, County Supervisor, as well as our local CVFD. First things first, Thank You to Mason's for use of the Masonic Lodge, Chris for setting up and Diane & staff of Pelton Café for the yummy "snacks", which was actually a meal.

Since Aug. 2010 we all have experienced some difficult challenging times with regards to Fire Evacuations, Power Outages, Snow Removal and other hazards of "living in the mountains". We all have stories we can share about the response we have gotten from 'dispatchers' when calling about a power issue. This meeting addressed COMMUNICATIONS: how we **ALL** can improve them specifically during stressful emergencies. Lots of great ideas were mentioned and most of them are easily doable and really won't cost us anything but time & an interest to protect your community & your self. Some ideas were: 1) Developing a specific section on local business bulletin boards for **emergency information only** (so that is where area folks can look to find out where to evacuate to if needed). 2) Listing emergency numbers in the same location of the courier every month (similar to the calendar on the back cover). 3) Getting information & training in the school (kids tend to remember better then the 'old' folks). 4) Sending email (when there is power) community wide to advise of the situation. These are all things we can do ourselves with very little effort or resources. PG & E knows this past winter was tough on everyone and is improving its communication response to outages. They will report to O.E.S. daily by 4pm with an updated status of power outages in the area. This information will then go onto the county website (I know if there is no power) as well as to 'dispatchers' at PG & E and the Sheriff's Dept. So everyone will be on the same page. The Regional Manager for PG & E is responsible for our area as well as Marysville, Nevada County, Sierra County and other areas. So yes the larger communities will get their response to outages/hazards first before the "43 customers on Moonshine, or the 63 in Camptonville."

But that doesn't mean we won't get help, it means we will get a more realistic ETA from PG & E once it is determined how many customers are involved. So that also means that we **ALL** need to call every time you lose power, they need to know how many are effected and where the area is. The best & recommended way to get assistance or information from PG & E with regards to outages/hazards is to **CALL** 1.) PG & E 1-800-743-5000 Report it. 2.) Call Yuba County Sheriff's **NON** Emergency # 749-7777 (they will get outage info directly from PG & E) and 3.) Call CVFD 288- 9320 (They too will get info from PG & E/Sheriff's to assist with all types of emergencies).

This is a starting off point. We will have additional meetings to develop committees to work on such ideas of Community Bulletin Boards, Applying to become a Red Cross Evacuation Center, Training to be an Evacuation Shelter Volunteer and developing OUR COMMUNITIES Emergency Directory identifying resources & people available to assist each other through the various types of emergencies we can face any time of the year. Any one interested or has more ideas to assist with making Camptonville Self-Sufficient please call Diane at 288-3410 or Judy at 288-1228 Any local Ham Radio Operators please get in touch with CVFD (288-9320) to pass on your information, this is another great way to communicate information efficiently.

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Jessi's Garden

By Jessi Mullins

Sit back and enjoy all your hard work. July in the garden seems to be a good time to take it easy. We have all worked so hard to get the gardens in. With the slow, wet start this year, I feel so far behind, but things are starting to take off. The best thing we gardeners can do is pray for a long, dry fall, (but with no fires), just that perfect garden weather to have the time to finish everything off properly. Take the time now to watch your gardens grow and bloom, and then produce that delicious tomato or pepper that we have all been waiting for.

Watering is a key factor on a plants ability to grow and produce to it fullest potential. Plants like adequate and consistent watering. It is very beneficial to water deep, and then give the soil time to dry out. So, a good time to water is early in the morning, before the sun hits the garden. This gives the water time to sink deeply into the soil and the leaves time to dry off before the sun hits them. So when your plants get thirsty the water is there waiting for them, and they do not have to wait for it. If they are waiting for water their cell division, which contributes to their growing process is held up.

It is also very important not to overwater things. Find a good, consistent watering regimen, then test it for a week or so by digging down 3-4" everyday to see the moisture content. If it is just moist, still fluffy, you are on the right track, the water is getting deep enough for the root zone, and the plants are using enough of it to keep it from becoming anaerobic. If the soil is heavy and feels too wet, you may be overwatering. Try cutting back a bit, since the plant's not using all the water you're giving it, so the soil is not drying out enough between waterings.

You may want to start thinking about feeding everything a little something. By now, things tend to be in the ground, getting used to their new home

and could use maybe a small boost of nutrients. A nice application of fish emulsion and kelp would give them a little boost. Also, compost tea is available on Saturday mornings. My compost tea has fish emulsion and kelp in it, plus more.

Keep every inch of your soil planted, the more you grow yourself, the less you have to depend on the shaky economy. If you have extra, share with your neighbors or concentrate on preserving it for the winter months. So, rotate out your finished crops, such as garlic and onions and prepare your beds for the next crop, such as broccoli and cauliflower. You could even squeeze a quick crop of radishes in there.

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Support CCP When You Are Online

By Birdsong Sundstrom

We've been exploring all opportunities to diversify our fund base and learned about IGive from our friends at Western Sierra Medical Clinic. By following the link below, you can join IGive and select the Camptonville Community Partnership to receive credit every time you shop or search online. Their website will better help you understand how purchases you already make can lead to donations to us, one of your favorite community organizations, at no extra cost to you. We hope you will join IGive and bookmark their site with CCP as your chosen recipient of this fundraising opportunity. This is a great way that activities you normally do in your everyday life can help us work together to make Camptonville a better place.

<http://www.iGive.com/CamptonvilleCommunityPartnership>

I hope you will take a minute to set your homepage to IGive. CCP has already earned close to \$10 in the past month, mostly from one penny per search! Your first purchase through an online vendor after going through the IGive portal will result in a donation of \$5 to CCP, at no cost to you.

Relay 2011

By Judy Morris and Paula Goodman

The rain didn't stop the Camptonville Buddies; we're a tough group. This year's event was certainly a challenge for all participants yet still a memorable one. I applaud all the teams and attendees who didn't let a "little" rain stop their dedication and Relay Spirit. Thus far in the early totals for fund-raising, the amount turned in was \$88,000.00 for the American Cancer Society and Relay For Life. Just reminding you, it's not too late to donate---I'll be happy to assist you with that act of kindness and love. The Camptonville Buddies team was rather small this year, but we still managed to earn several awards, 1) Most Outstanding Fight Back Message and 2) Rising Star in the Team Fund-raising Club. We'd like to thank all our Camptonville Residents and Businesses for your continued support. Last but not least, a BIG thank you to Shannon Gomez for her patience, dedication and beautifully handcrafted quilt that was raffled off. (Sorry no winner from Camptonville—better luck next year). If it weren't for Shannon's quilt, the Camptonville Buddies campsite would have been very bare. If you would like to donate or just want information about Relay For Life or ACS Programs please call Judy or Paula at 288-1228 or email owlsneagles@inreach.com **Relay On.....**

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Lucero Vineyards OPEN HOUSE & WINE TASTING

The 6th Annual Lucero Vineyards & Winery Open House and Wine Tasting coming up July 9 promises to be a memorable gourmet experience. Serving award-winning wines, imported gourmet cheeses, and a lavish assortment of hors-d'oeuvres, the annual event is a popular fundraiser for the Alcouffe Community Center in Dobbins/Oregon House.

Calolea Olive Oils will also be available for tasting and purchase. These extra virgin olive oils produced in Loma Rica have won major awards nationally and in Europe.

Tables are set outdoors with views of the lush green hills of the vineyard, while live classical music creates a memorable backdrop to conversation.

Lucero Vineyards and Winery in Dobbins is family owned and operated by Dan and Marian Lucero. The beautiful property has been in the family since 1906.

After Dan retired from teaching, he and other family members studied viniculture at UC Davis, and hand planted the first vineyards of Cabernet Sauvignon and Chardonnay rootstock in 1993, followed by Merlot in 1997.

It is a boutique winery, with the emphasis on growing and making limited production, ultra premium wines. The Foothill environment—combining warm days with cool mountain nights—and the rich red clay soil contribute to the deep color, intense flavor and full body of Lucero wines.

Their carefully crafted vintages have earned numerous prestigious awards, and the winery has been included in **Great Boutique Wines You Can Buy Online** by Master Sommelier Catherine Fallis & Robert Cohen. To learn more about Lucero's fine wines, you can visit

www.lucerovineyards.com. For more information on Calolea olive oils, visit www.calolea.com.

The fundraiser is \$15 per person, or \$25 per couple. The location of Lucero Vineyards is 10654 Texas Hill Road in Dobbins. For more information on the Open House, please call 692-0705, or visit www.alcouffecenter.org.

Brush After Meals or Snacks; if you can't, Swish vigorously with water then spit or swallow.

The Ghost of Oregon Creek By Liam Ruff

One day in the spring of 1862, Oregon Creek rushed through the canyon at an unusually fast pace, and although her father told her not to go by the creek that day, Mary Chickman wandered down to the creek side. As she was walking down towards the top of the waterfalls she slipped on the slick granite polished smooth by centuries of erosion. Mary fell headlong into the first pool, being pressed down by the waterfall. The unstoppable water beat down continuously over the small girl's body. Then, as she went over the last fall she emerged onto the smooth peaceful waters of the brook, but unfortunately Mary was dead!

As Mary's body washed downstream it became lodged in some alder roots. Later in the day John Clay, one of the prospectors left from the early days, was hiking from the Oregon Creek Bridge to Oregon Falls when he came across the little girl. When he removed her from the water he recognized her as Mr. Chickman's daughter. He traveled the six miles to the Chickman homestead, carrying the little girl's body the whole way. When Mr. Chickman saw his daughter's corpse he cried long into the night.

On that Sunday, Mary Chickman was laid in the ground under one of the large cedar trees in the Camptonville Cemetery. Although she died one hundred forty-nine years ago, some claim to see her wandering the creek side along Oregon Falls or peering through the Madrone branches where her home used to be.



Photo credit: Sacramentojeepers.org

First 5 Yuba Announces an Opening to Serve on its Commission

By Roy Ruff

"Whether you're a childhood development expert or simply have a keen interest in helping young children, we're interested in putting your time and energy to good use," said Jenny Sharkey executive director of First 5 Yuba in announcing the vacancy on its commission.

The seven-member panel plays a key advisory and decision-making role for a county agency that helps ensure the healthy development of local children ages 0 to 5. First 5 Yuba distributes Prop. 10 revenues to fund programs in our county that support the healthy development of young children and families.

The commission's priorities include high quality preschool, early literacy, health care, prenatal programs and other related resources for local families. "As a volunteer commissioner, you will be given countless opportunities to help local children reach their fullest potential", said Sharkey, adding that they're looking for a community member dedicated to children and families.

The Commission meets monthly at the Yuba County Government Center in Marysville to discuss important issues facing local families, to assess local needs and to vote on First 5 Yuba funding decisions.

All Yuba County residents interested in serving a three-year term on the commission are encouraged to apply.

Applications are available from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors at 915 8th Street, Suite 109, in Marysville.

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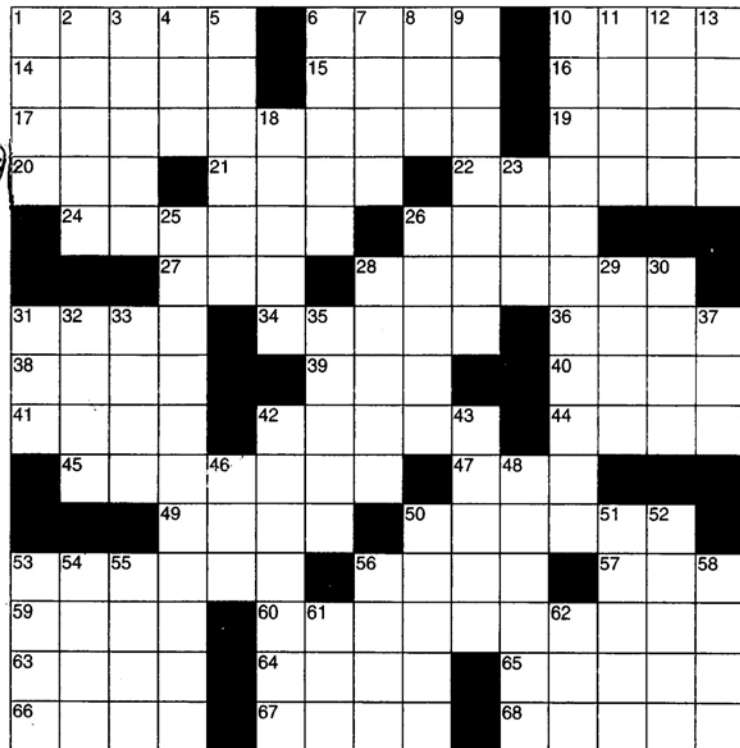
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1. Fruit tree native to eastern U.S.
6. Former Persian sovereign
10. Author Dinesen - wrote "Out of Africa"
14. Czarist edict
15. Forbidden
16. Fro ____ in proportion
17. Eminent Scandinavians *
19. Sacred image
20. Distress signal
21. Branch of math
22. "____ Kate" - musical based on a Shakespeare play (2 wds)
24. Sea nymph
26. Avec (Fr.) or Con (Sp.)
27. Cuprite or bauxite
28. Made olive oil
31. Textile quantity
34. Holds sway
36. Bass Pinza
38. Chum, for instance
39. Joad and Kettle
40. ____ door spider
41. Come and get it! *
42. Famed olympic swimmer Mark *
44. Yarn
45. Left on the plate
47. Wrath
49. Modern gizmo
50. Ordained one
53. Not digital
56. Amerindian footwear - (Abbr.)
57. ____ de mer; seasickness (Fr.)
59. Singer Jerry
60. Go these, and leave the driving to them *
63. Old Roman road
64. The old sod
65. Near death (archaic)
66. The answers to the starred clues are all these
67. Traveler with his digs on wheels
68. Savory spreads

"WOOF WOOF" by Jimbo Garrison

(Please note; last month's puzzle contained an error. 43 across should have read "____ was I...." My apologies for any frustration or inconvenience this may have caused.)



DOWN

1. They box (slang) *
2. Ohio city
3. Bel ____; Italian cheese
4. Mans name
5. More moist
6. Decorous
7. Crucify
8. "Honest ____" - presidential nickname *
9. UConn athletes *
10. V-Baller from Killarney *
11. Anatomical pouches
12. ____ Ant; old cartoon hero
13. "Citizen ____"
18. More Saharan
23. "____ a gift"
25. Denizens of a SW German city *
26. Take by force
28. Unadorned
29. Old testament prophet
30. Part of a clock
31. Telly ainer
32. Pearl Harbor locale
33. ____ of Judah
35. ____ the ante
37. Unlock, to a bard
42. Reel
43. Nada
46. Where G.I.'s get mail
48. Lather again
50. More reserved
51. "____ Kidding!" (2 wds.)
52. Organizational core group
53. Eager
54. Western mil. alliance
55. Drunk and thigh (2 words)
56. Lake or pond
58. WWII landing crafts
61. Nile or Danube (abbr.)
62. Actress Thurman

California USFS Firefighters Help Battle Southwest Fires


By Roy Ruff

Due to the unseasonable cool and wet spring California has experienced a very modest amount of fire activity thus far this year. This slower than normal start to the wildfire season has allowed over 1,200 Forest Service firefighters from the state to assist with over a dozen separate blazes in the Southwest, including the historic Wallow Fire, which has burned over **538,000** acres in eastern Arizona and western New Mexico. "In California, we frequently receive assistance from other states during periods of high fire activity," said Joseph C. Millar, Director of Fire and Aviation Management for the U.S. Forest Service in California, "favorable conditions over most of our region and (being) fully staffed has allowed us to reciprocate this valuable assistance." Among the resources deployed are 27 hotshot crews, 8 Type 2 Initial Attack Crews, 60 fire engines, 17 smokejumpers, 12 bulldozers, 11 water tenders and over 150 personnel in various fire support positions. Nine contract crews and 4 additional contract engines bring the total number of personnel from California to an estimated 1,400 including several from local crews. We know as vegetation continues to dry out and temperatures increase fire activity and danger will increase. The continuing runoff from heavy snowpack in the Sierra and other mountain ranges also continues to encourage growth of grasses and other combustible vegetation. So as always in our area be fire safe and be prepared.

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Yuba River Ranger District

By Annie Prout-Garcia

The sun is finally shining, and camping season is coming on. The campgrounds at Bullards Bar Reservoir are open. All the campgrounds along the North Yuba River are open. Gold Lake Hwy is open. Sardine, Salmon Creek, Sierra, Diablo, Wild Plum campgrounds are open. Berger, Pack Saddle, Chapman and Yuba Pass should be open July 1st. Along Hwy 20, White Cloud and Skillman are open. Bowman Lake Road is closed beyond Fuller Lake Recreation site, which is open. For any other questions feel free to contact the Yuba River Ranger District office @ (530) 288-3231.

Most of the trails in the Sierra Buttes area still have snow, but the trails in the Downieville, Indian Valley and Bullards Bar area are open.

Fuel wood season has begun this year. The prices remain the same as last year, \$15 per cord with a minimum of two cords.

Burn permits are required at this time. Remember: LE-62 Residential Burn Permits are good for burning one 4X4 pile at a time. Multiple piles require a different permit and a site inspection from May 1st until the end of the declared fire season. You do still need to check with the Department of Air Quality for burn day status. Designated numbers and locations have changed. Please call the appropriate county

- ** Yuba County (530) 741-6299 or faqmd.org
- ** Western Nevada County (530) 274-7928
- ** Western Sierra County (530) 289-3662

For more information on safe and legal debris burning feel free to call or visit the Yuba River Ranger District @ (530) 288-3231 or go to www.fire.ca.gov.

As of June 20th, 2011, the Yuba River Ranger Station has received 78.74 inches of rain. Last year at this time we were only at 53.16 inches of rain. Remember to be safe near the river, because of the rapid snowmelt the river is running at dangerously high levels. Enjoy the warm sun.

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by Jeannie

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Last year Anne at the Sacramento Tree Foundation brought over 20 trees to Camptonville School that the community helped to plant. Here's your opportunity to thank them! Pay it Forward!

With your vote on July 4th, the Sacramento Tree Foundation can win a Toyota truck as part of the Toyota 100 Cars for Good Programs. Find out how at sactree.com.

Please share this notice with friends and family, and after you vote, post it to your Facebook wall. Questions? contact us at media@sactree.com or (916) 924-8733 x133
Thanks. Anne

Have your voice heard regarding the Federal Relicensing of Bullards Bar Reservoir!
Community Townhall, Friday, August 5th, 6:30 pm
at the Alcouffe Center 9185 Marysville
Road Oregon House, CA 95962

July Calendar:

4 th of July weekend festivities	See page 2 for schedule
4 th of July Parade	Monday, July 4 th , Noon, Downieville
Emergency Preparedness Fair	Sat. July 9 th , 10 am-2pm, Willow Glen Restaurant parking lot
School Board	Mon. July 11 th (2nd Monday) 6:30 pm, C'ville. School Library
CCSD	Mon. July 18 (3rd Monday) 7:00 pm, C'ville School
Twilight School	Thursdays in July 6-7:30 pm, C'ville School Gym
Courier Deadline	Wednesday, July 20 th
Yoga	Tuesdays at 5:30 pm, C'ville School
Food Bank	Third Thursday at the Lake Francis Grange, Dobbins

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