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## C'ville Salutes Chris Morris

By George Benedict

Pfc Christopher Morris, 18, grandson of Larry and Theresa Morris of Camptonville completed Army basic training at Fort Benning, Georgia, on October 6th. He distinguished himself by achieving *Marksman* status. Chris went to Camptonville Elementary School, attended Nevada Union, and graduated high school this past June in Oroville. After a short leave in Camptonville, Chris will report to Jump School in Colorado to be followed by *Sharpshooter* and *Ranger* training. Camptonville salutes Pfc Christopher Morris!



**Thank you** to all the fire fighting crews that put out the Indian Fire so efficiently and quickly!

## New Chronicles!

The Courier is proud to announce an exciting new "Chronicle." Check out page 11 for the first edition of the "Farm Chronicles." Jeff Ledson and his family are Camptonville farmers and he is going to be sharing with you their experiences from the farm. Don't miss this fabulous new edition to the Courier!

## The Prince Family Has a New Addition!

James, Jessica and big sister Macie, welcomed Makenna Lynn Prince into the world on September 19, 2011 at 10:26AM. Makenna weighed in at 7lbs 13oz and measured 21in. Congratulations Prince Family!



## Camptonville's Emergency Preparedness

By Judy Morris

A small group of residents along with representatives from Red Cross, Yuba Co. Supervisor and our local CVFD met on Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss what the next steps are to make Camptonville self-sustainable when an emergency happens.

Daryl White, Red Cross manager provided lots of information and helped the group understand options available with regards to providing emergency evacuation shelters. He is more than willing to provide the necessary training, which is **FREE**, for all whom are interested in being a Shelter Volunteer. \*\*\*\* Individuals must "join" Red Cross which means signing up as a volunteer to receive any of the **FREE** training. Application Packets will be available in a week or so contact Rita at the Resource Center. The more of us trained to operate a Shelter, the closer Camptonville will be in becoming self-sustainable for emergency situations.

The group developed several committees consisting of **Communications**, (updating community resources like the Gold Pages & gaining more knowledge on how Ham Radio Operates can assist) **Shelter Liaisons**, (updating current Shelter agreement with the school & developing the Masonic's Lodge as an additional shelter location) and **Training Committee**, (working with Red Cross to schedule future classes). One big thing that is needed to assist in being Self-sufficient is a "portable" trailer to store supplies. Anyone who has a trailer appx. 6 x 10 x6 in Good Condition that they would be willing to **DONATE**, (need a tax credit?) Please contact me 288-1228 or [owlsneagles@inreach.com](mailto:owlsneagles@inreach.com)

Next Mtg. Wed. Oct. 19, 2011 6:30PM at the C'ville Fire Hall.

## Pelton Wheel Tour

By Carolyn Mumm

On Sunday Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011 the Camptonville Historical Society will host the second annual car trek to visit the world's largest electricity producing Pelton Water Wheel.

The tour will begin at 10am at the Camptonville Masonic Lodge where photographs portray the development and history of the Pelton Wheel and electricity in our Camptonville and neighboring areas.

The group will then travel to the Colgate Power House to view the wheel. Next, is a lunch break overlooking Bullards Bar.

The trek concludes at the base of the massive Bullards Bar Dam with a short visit inside.

To reserve a place send a check to the Camptonville Historical Society of \$15 regular admission or \$12 for Camptonville Historical Society members to Po Box 153, Camptonville, Ca. 95922. For more information call Linda Brown 575-6172.

## Apple Fest!

By Cheryl Durrett

The famous Forest City Apple Fest will be held on October 23 in the historic town of Forest City where there are more apple trees than people. Don't miss out on this day of old fashioned fun of apple cider pressing, ice cream making, potluck lunch and apple dessert contest. The fun begins at noon. The Forest City Historical Association will hold its annual membership meeting at 10 AM. The membership drive begins now. Your membership pays the bills. For information please call Cheryl at 287-3133 or Birdsong at 288-1007.



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**Time:** 2:00pm

**Place:** Yuba Theater Downieville

**Date:** October 15

**Admission:** donation of \$5 appreciated

## Mountain Guild Quilt Show

The women of Brownsville's Mountain Quilt Guild are busy as bees getting ready for their 10<sup>th</sup> annual quilt show. There are many details to get in order, as well as finishing up those last few quilts. The show will be held at the Ponderosa Community Center, 17103 Ponderosa Way, Brownsville on November 5 and 6. It will open at 10 am on both days, close at 4 pm on Sat. and at 3 pm on Sun. There is a \$5.00 admission fee and there will be food available. There will be many beautiful large quilts on display as well as many smaller items. One can do some early Christmas shopping with the vendors or at the Country Store. The guild spends much of their time making smaller quilts to donate to various causes: the fire departments, women's groups, sheriff's department, hospice, and veterans. These quilts will be given to these civic functions on Sunday afternoon. There have been tickets sold all year for a gorgeous quilt and the winning ticket will be drawn about 3 pm on Sunday. So we hope to see you there.

## Yuba River Ranger District

By Annie Prout-Garcia

The summer season is coming to a close, however burn permits are still suspended until further notice.

Fuel wood season is still going this year. The prices remain the same as last year, \$15 per cord with a minimum of two cords. Yuba River Ranger District's fuel wood season will be ending Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Truckee, American River and Sierraville Ranger District's fuel wood season will be closing December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

Logging is still going on with the Red Ant Timber Sale, which is located on Saddleback Road, just north of Downieville. The timber hauling has started down Saddleback Road. There will be approximately 25 loads per day, from daybreak to approximately 4pm each weekday. At this time they are not hauling on the weekends. Saddleback Road has very few turnouts, so for the public and the contractor safety, the contractor will have flagmen at Canyon Point, Oak Ranch, and Saddleback Road to monitor logging truck locations. Please let flagmen know if you will be traveling on the road. They are using CB Channel 15 to coordinate safe travel for the public and private landowners. The logging and hauling will continue at this location until winter begins.

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## Gardeners' Market Still Happening!

By Jimbo Garrison

The fabulous Camptonville Community Gardeners' Market is still with us! For at least 2 more weeks you can experience the wonderful world of produce on Saturday mornings from 10-noon behind the Pelton Wheel Café in downtown Camptonville.

Because of our wacky weather this year, most of our goodies have ripened several weeks later than usual, providing us with a fabulous fiesta of food late in the season. The great Hal Stocker has been blessing us with sensational melons and lots of other wonderful stuff, with all the proceeds going to our worthy beneficiaries. Thanks Hal! We should be featuring fresh figs and other late season wonders as we near the end of another successful season for the C.C.G.M.

Don't forget my own "Worlds Best" garlic-dill refrigerator pickles and also fresh fruit pie and cheesecake by the slice. They are really good. So come on by and see us and get in on the action before it's too late! Any questions? Call me at 288-1001.

A portion of the proceeds benefit -Friends of Camptonville Cemetery, The Camptonville Courier and the Camptonville Community Partnership programs.

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## 123 Grow

By Birdsong Sundstrom

123 Grow would like to thank the Doub family for opening their playground to us regularly. We greatly appreciate having such a creative and wooded play space, right close to us, where we can explore and have fun. We are also fortunate to have Mariana Worden, who grew up right here in Celestial Valley, planning a series of Native Skills programs for our children, which will happen once a month at 123 Grow. Mari holds an AA in Early Childhood Education and a bachelor in Fine Arts. She is also the mama of a toddler, and has returned to the area to raise her family. Our first event was September 29th, in our school garden, and included painting with cattails.

This is the last year that our early childhood and dental health outreach programs will be able to secure funding from First Five Yuba. We are actively searching for replacement funding so that we can continue to offer such a high quality school readiness program for free. We meet Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30-11:30 AM on the Camptonville School grounds and are a program of the Camptonville Community Partnership. If you would like to join us, call 288-9355.

## What You Missed...

By Judy Morris

Our host & hostess, Scott & Chris Pope were ready for us-Balloons and a Welcome sign at their driveway for the annual Moonshine Rd. Potluck. Together Scott, Chris & son Mike greeted 25 of their neighbors with freshly mowed lawn, badminton net ready and newly installed horseshoe pit. They recruited Dwayne and a few extra picnic tables from Moonshine Campground to provide seating for eating comfort. Yes we all ate-Yummy items such as homemade salsa, homemade baklava, homegrown veggies, BBQ ribs & corn on the cob, just to mention a few. I know I didn't go home hungry & suspect no one else did. The only bad thing was we all talked, ate, talked more while we ate more, so I was too full to try a game of badminton. Next year we'll have to play first then dive into the food. For all those who missed this year's event get your 2012 calendar out & save the date, Sun. Sept. 16, 2012. Again thanks to all.

## C'ville Spirit Shines Again!

By Donna Tate

The 19th Camptonville Volunteer Fire Department Community Picnic raised \$3500 for the fire department! It was another fabulous event where the food, fun and ambiance was enjoyed by all. The kids enjoyed water balloons, bubbles and face painting with Martha and friends; thanks Martha!! The food was **delicious** and the foot tappin' entertainers throughout the day warmed us up for night of dancing to the sounds of "Three of the Kind" band. The spirit in our community and the pride we share for our fire department definitely shined!

Thanks to all who donated the great raffle prizes, and a big thank you to all the volunteers that made this another successful event. Next year is our 20th picnic and we are looking for great ideas to make this an extra special event. Contact Rita Ortega at 288-9355 or Donna Tate at 530 288-1225 to share some ideas.



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## School Board Opening

By Sandy Ross

The Camptonville School Board of Trustees has accepted the resignation of School Board Member, Scott Spackman. We would like to thank Scott for his service. He brought great insight to the board from his role as a special education teacher along with his ability to look critically at issues from a number of perspectives.

We would like to announce the opening of that seat and encourage parents and community members to submit a letter of interest to the Camptonville School Board of Trustees by our next meeting on October 10<sup>th</sup>. Please send the letter to P.O. Box 278, Camptonville 95922 or drop it off at the Camptonville School front office with Pam Wilcox. Your membership on the board is crucial to the decision making process that occurs at the local level. Please join us and be a part of our Camptonville School team.

### Yuba River Ranger District Cont. from Pg. 3

In the middle of September another vegetation project has started also on Saddleback Road, so loads traveling on the road have doubled and will continue for the next six weeks. Please drive carefully on the Saddleback and Forest Service Road 25 (Cal-Ida).

Enjoy the approaching fall season!



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## Wednesday Night Market Comes to an End

By Jessi Mullins

Thank you to all who came and participated in our Wednesday Night Markets at Rebel Ridge Organics. For our first go around, we thought it was a great success. Our goal was to provide a place for people to gather, to enjoy a meal, grab some produce, listen to some local musicians or see some of the creative folks we have here locally making some wonderful things. AND THAT ALL HAPPENED. As the news got around town more and more people started coming.

Our last market was Wednesday September 28<sup>th</sup>. Every week was fun! Let me tell you it was sure nice not having to cook dinner every Wednesday night, thank you Fatty's Food. Oh, and the sweets you could get from Fatty's Food to take home and enjoy as a late evening snack, or some folks enjoyed as a midnight snack were always a hit too, sometimes there were fights over the last few sweets left.

Thanks for everyone's support and hard work every week to make it a nice evening for the community, and thanks to everyone who came to enjoy it. We hope to do it again next year.

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## 1850 Camptonville Arrival - - Welsh saga part II

By Carolyn Perkins

The Oregon Trail ended in Camptonville for the exhausted Jones family on *September 15, 1850*. The dreams of gold that sustained them during the 5-month journey made Jane's husband Evan, their 12-year old son Thomas, and her brother William eager to start mining, while her brother John established a saw mill.

Jane's midwifery skills found limited use until more women came west to join their husbands, as William's wife Elizabeth eventually did. In those days a midwife delivered the baby, then kept house for the family until the mother recovered her strength. Aunt Jane used to tell of a wolf following her as she rode alone through the woods on horseback. She was unarmed but decided if attacked, she would strangle the wolf with her apron strings! Fortunately, he didn't attack. Jane started a boarding house for miners needing shelter, food and laundry services.

to Camptonville. Jane's sister Elinor was widowed with three young children in 1856, so Jane sent money for her fare to California. In 1859, Elinor traveled from Iowa to New York, by steamer to Panama, overland across the Isthmus, then by steamer to San Francisco, by riverboat to

Marysville and by stage to Camptonville. Family legend says the children were carried in mules' saddlebags across the Isthmus.

In Camptonville Elinor married William Rowlands, a well-respected Welshman, and bore him a son in 1863. But Rowlands died shortly thereafter so she married another Welshman, Thomas Williams. (See photo and visit Wm Rowlands' grave in C'ville cemetery)

Sadly, mining accidents took the lives of Jane and Evan's 30-year old son Thomas in April 1868, and Elinor's 26-year old son Theodore Davies in April 1881. (Both in C'ville cemetery.) And another mining accident would rob six children of their father in 1885, but the family kept mining until 1902.

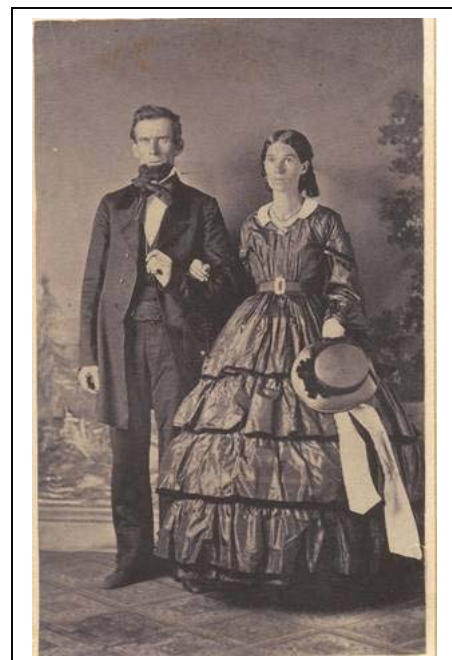
Marriage prospects next brought Jane and Elinor's niece, Margaret to Camptonville. In Iowa she had cared for younger siblings after her mother's death and worked as a domestic servant, but in 1863 Jane again sent fare for the trip west.

And her brother, John M. Jones, came to California, perhaps traveling together. On December 26, 1863 she married Richard William Williams, a well-established Welsh miner. It is from her that Steven Sandner (now at Galena Hill) and I are descended. The eldest of their six children, Annie Williams, was our great grandmother.

NEXT MONTH: Welsh contemplate immigrating to Patagonia, Richard Williams drowns after placer mines ends.

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## Camptonville Christmas Club

By Jessi Mullins

The Christmas Club has been passed on to me from our beloved angel Georgette Fowler. The Club was started in 1961, this year marks **50 YEARS**, and so with that in mind we are asking for copies of any pictures you may have of you or your kids with Santa in Camptonville. If you know of someone who has moved out of town and could have pictures that you could get a hold of please do. It would be great if we could come up with pictures for all 50 years. Please mail them to me or bring them by the school and leave them in the office. Also, with technology these days you can email them to [cvillepam@gmail.com](mailto:cvillepam@gmail.com). We plan on doing some kind of presentation with the pictures that we gather. If you have any ideas to make this year really special please let me know. And remember any donation that you can make is greatly appreciated. Send donations to Jessi Mullins P.O. Box 352 Camptonville, CA 95922. Thanks to all who have made this an incredible 50 years of Santa coming to Camptonville and bringing joy to all of our children.

## CVFD Report

By Char Jokerst, Captain FF/EMT

Greetings Camptonville. After a long absence Camptonville Fire is back on track with our articles. There has been so much happening; I'll do my best to give a quick update before I get into our topic.

As you know Mark Jokerst has once again slid into the Chief position as former Chief Alan Kinne retired in January. In that time Chief Jokerst has named four new Captain Officers; CONGRATULATIONS to Brandi Dudek, Mike Dudek, Chris Dozier, Char Sanders (now Char Jokerst) and a huge thank you to Jim Esry, who was our lone Captain for several years, and remains one today. We all hit the ground running with Mark's challenge of creating an organizational chart for leadership and the reorganization of the daily duties required to make CVFD run effectively. Currently our Chief has been handling the majority of those tasks with the support of Engineer / FF Tom Sargent. But, looking into the future (say 10 years down the road when most of us have retired from CVFD) as new volunteers make their way into the department, CVFD will have had in place a well paved path for leadership and what's needed to keep a tight running ship running. No more needing to recreate the wheel and hopefully reducing the "burn out" rate of our Chiefs. **CONT. PAGE 8**



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Volunteer Departments are held to a much higher standard than even five years ago. This means more education required for ALL firefighters and that means more paperwork, more meetings and more everything. Our Chief right now could work by himself five hours a day on nothing but fire business and still not have completed what is required. This reorganization is vital to the growth and health of our department. As always, CVFD is grateful and encouraged by the communities support. We volunteer because we want to give back to our community. When our community shows it's appreciation for what we do, it brings a tear to my eyes. It's because of you C'ville residents that we do what we do and it's because of you C'ville residents that we are proud to say we serve you! Thank you for that honor.

So, now on to our topic. HOME OWNERS INSURANCE. Some insurance companies are no longer writing policies in the Sierra Foothills and some of these companies are no longer even renewing policies. The reasoning is, insurance companies are coming to terms with the extremely high fire danger in our area and areas like ours. After a frantic phone call from a C'ville resident explaining their policy was being cancelled for the third time in one year, we decided to delve into this situation. Mark and I have been in contact with three different insurance agents in Grass Valley trying to make heads and tails out of this. Each office gave similar explanations; this is the gist of what they had to say...

Properties are now being ranked based on brush-fire potential and certain geographic areas are ranked very poor based on topography and vegetation - Camptonville is one those areas! Common insurance carriers have instituted "NO COVERAGE" policies based on this ranking. But, in certain cases, some insurance carriers will broker third party coverage for a property if the third party carrier can be convinced that the property is insurable. Insurable meaning: The property is fire safe. While there is no common standard for "fire safe" used by these carriers, there are avenues to explore: You can get a so called "4291" property inspection. CVFD or our local USFS can do it. This is a free service to property owners. Call CVFD - 288-9320 or USFS - 288- 3231 to schedule one. If you have a slope greater than 5 -15%, you'll have to go further than the 4291 standards. This is only a range, each insurer holds different standards.

You really need a fire safety evaluation of your property and to make as many improvements as possible.

A 4291 certification is the minimum standard established by California law. The insurance companies generally will not accept this standard as it does not, in their eyes, go far enough. However, it is a start and will aid you in your efforts.

If you are denied coverage, here is what you need to do: Contact ALL carriers, explain your denial (be honest) and ask if they will help broker a third party policy for you. Look for those Brokers that will go above and beyond for you. There are those out there that will! As I indicated above, if you haven't yet done so, get a 4291 inspection and start the fire safe process for your property before you get cancelled. Any effort you take before that time will only expedite your ability to obtain coverage elsewhere. And finally, work with your broker. That broker should make the trip to your property and inspect it for you. It would be wise for you to be present during that inspection. Be in control as much as you possibly can! Your Broker can tell you if it will satisfy a third party carrier or not. If it does AWESOME for you, if it doesn't, find out what it will take to get it there. This is proving to be a process that usually results in a bad headache. Take it all one-step at a time and document your findings. This will help you in the large scheme of it all and be precise in your communication with any other Broker you might need to deal with. If you get stuck, call CVFD and ask for some guidance. We would be happy to direct you. We won't have all the answers, but if you're at a stand still, we can at least help guide you in a direction. We wish you all the BEST! Hang tough.

## Pass the Torch

By Stephanie Ruff

The time has come that I must pass the Courier "torch" on to someone else. I love the Courier, which is why several years ago our family decided to take over the editing position from Rod and Rochelle. We didn't want to see our community newsletter die. I no longer have the time or energy to give the paper and the community what it deserves. **I will continue to do the Courier till the end of this year.** If anyone would like to step up to the plate and take on this position please contact the Courier at [camptonvillecourier@yahoo.com](mailto:camptonvillecourier@yahoo.com) or call the courier staff at 288-3550.



## Jessi's Garden

By Jessi Mullins

Where does the time go? I know I ask this a lot, but I really can't believe it is October. It seems like I just harvested all my garlic and onions, and here it is time to plant them again. This is the month to get these crops in the ground. If you get them in early and get them off to good start while the soil is still warm, you will get bigger bulbs and better yields. I had my best garlic crop ever this last year, and I planted my garlic in mid October. Almost every bulb was a good size, and even a good handful was huge. We are still enjoying our garlic and onions. These are two easy crops, so try it. You get them in now, water it just a few times if needed, and then the rain and winter takes care of the rest. Next year when June comes around you dig them up, cure them and enjoy.

To prepare my garlic and onion beds, I just add a fair amount of compost, this helps keep the soil light and fluffy which is perfect condition for all root crops. If you have garlic left from your last crop, use it as your seed garlic to plant; instead of buying garlic to plant. There is no big difference. Although I do believe there is a difference with the garlic you buy from a grocery store, I think that it is treated somehow for extra long storing. To plant you separate the bulbs into the individual cloves. Each clove will produce a bulb by June. I like to soak the cloves in a kelp water mixture overnight before planting. I read somewhere once, years ago that it helps keep diseases away and kelp always helps produce a strong root system. Plant the cloves with the pointy; skinnier side up about 2" deep in rows about 6" apart.

Onions either come in sets, transplants or by seed. I've always done the transplants, which always do well, but this year I might try the sets and by seed, just to see the difference. I will share my results.

All of my fall starts are ready for their new homes. We have 6 packs of kale, chard, broccoli, mustard greens, cauliflower and more available. We now have fall bulbs in stock. Also, try to get your cover crop planted by the end of October, so it has some time to establish itself before the first freeze.

REMEMBER FALL IS THE BEST TIME FOR PLANTING things like ornamental trees, perennials and shrubs. ENJOY fall planting and come see us for your garlic, onions, compost, bulbs and cover crop seed.

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## News from C'ville School

By Sandy Ross

How can it be? Labor Day weekend has come and gone, the leaves on the dogwood trees are beginning to turn, and talk of Fall festivities are abuzz. In the meantime, the well-oiled gears of Camptonville School have been turning. I am so impressed with the enthusiasm and energy that the classroom teachers and support staff put into preparing the school in order to be "student ready". For me personally, the wearing of several hats would not be possible without the cooperation, knowledge, and professionalism that each of these staff members display every day. Since so much has happened in this first month, I would like to share some of the highlights.

We had our first awards assembly the first Wednesday in September and will continue to hold those on the first Wednesday of each month at 8:45 a.m. Many students were eligible for perfect attendance awards. These are also minimum days, scheduled for staff development. One exception will be the month of October – due to a field trip on the first Wednesday; our awards assembly and minimum day will be on October 12<sup>th</sup>.

In remembrance of the tragedy that occurred on September 11, 2011, our entire school gathered around the flagpole for a moment of silence, a remembrance by a community member who was at the Capitol in Washington D.C. that morning, and a song of hope.

Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup> was Back to School Night. Many families came and enjoyed the delicious dinner of soup, salad, and homemade bread prepared by Chef Patsy with an abundance of fresh, locally grown ingredients. They also had a chance to visit booths highlighting school and community programs. Classroom teachers presented important information and shared student progress with parents. **CONT. PAGE 10**

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The 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade class led a Constitution Day Assembly on Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. They did an outstanding job of presenting the arguments facing our founding fathers when they gathered at the Constitutional Convention to create the framework upon which our U.S. government is now based.

A huge thank you goes out to the parents and community members who contribute their fresh vegetables and herbs to our school kitchen. Thank you Canadace, Jessi, Christina and Jeff, John W., and Molly & Scott. Our Camptonville garden is also thriving this year, thanks to the efforts of Cheryl Durrett whose hard work has kept it going all summer long.

Some upcoming events and dates to remember include:

**Saturday, October 1** - Garden Volunteer Day 8:00am in the school garden

**Monday, October 3** - Picture Day

**Wednesday, October 5** – “Into the Woods” Field Trip for K - 8 at CSU Chico

**Friday, October 7** - Farm Day Field Trip for the 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> grade class

**Saturday, October 8** – Parent’s Club Octoberganza

**Monday, October 10** – School Board Meeting 6:00

**Wednesday, October 12** – Awards

Assembly/Minimum Day

**October 17 – October 21** - October Break –No School

**October 28** – Halloween Dance 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grades (Time to be announced)

**October 31** – Halloween Carnival-More details to follow.

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## Farm Chronicles

By Jeff Ledson

Welcome to the Farm Chronicles- a small collection of garden adventures unfolding straight from the soils of the Ledson's Family CSA Farm in Camptonville. In honor of the new, Farm Chronicles, we thought we'd start out with a question that has puzzled man since the dawning of time: "Which came first, the farmer or the farm?" Well, I certainly hope you weren't looking for an answer this time around, but let's just say without spoiling the ending, that second place wasn't too far behind... And so finds our friendly farmers picking and planting away during the tail end of our summer heat on the new farm grounds. We've been steadily working away on project after project. When one item gets checked off, three more seem to be added to the list. Good thing working in the garden is a labor of love and nothing brings more satisfaction than working something from the ground up with your own two hands. But the biggest pleasure we've found in the garden is the miracle that is packed into each little seed we plant. How something so small can provide so much with a little love and care. We consider ourselves very privileged to be "plant managers" and each day at the "office" brings us immeasurable wonder and joy. Life should be this simple. Plus, we get to eat our tasty profits... Yum.

Work on the CSA Farm started in early spring as we battled the thick mud that made us taller with every sticky step and the countless downed trees from Mother Nature's Spring wrath. Garden grounds were graded and branches were stacked for the free chipping service. Our well was drilled and a water tank was installed for water storage. We found a close supplier of Port Orford Cedar which we used to construct our raised garden beds. Untreated, this wood should last 20-30

years, which makes it the perfect specimen for Earth-to-wood contact. Everything we are growing this year is in raised beds, which are also screened at the bottom to keep unruly visitors out. A simple hoop house was built to help us get an early jump on starters. The soil haul was rough work and done mostly by hand, shovel, & 5 gallon buckets. To keep the deer honest, we needed to screen the entire growing grounds with fencing. Running irrigation to each bed was one of the final major steps before the planting began.

We know what you are saying, "So far, the Farm Chronicles doesn't sound too adventurous," right? Well, we didn't want to spoil you all right away on our first article. We'd like to bring you back next month, eagerly awaiting the fate of our friendly farmers as we last left them picking and planting away in the garden. In order to properly tease next month's Farm Chronicles article in its entirety, we will also attempt to be answering the rather funny question, "Why *did* the farmers cross the road?"

*We hope you all enjoy your day and have a farm fresh month!*

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Octoberganza	Sat. Oct.8, 3-8pm, Rebel Ridge Organics
School Board	Mon. Oct.10 (2nd Monday) 6:00pm, C'ville. School Library
FREE Family Movie Night!	Fri. Oct. 14, 7pm, Call 692-9511 for more info.
The Quiet Champion	Sat. Oct.15, 2pm, The Yuba Theater, Downieville
Emergency Preparedness Meeting	Wed. Oct. 19, 6:30, C'ville Fire Hall
Courier Deadline	Thurs. Oct. 20
Applefest	Sun. Oct.23, Noon, Forest City
Pelton Wheel Tour	Sun. Oct. 30, 10am, Masonic Lodge C'ville
Yoga	Tuesdays at 5:30 PM, C'ville School
Gardeners' Market	Saturdays in September, 10am-noon,
Food Bank	Third Thursday at the Lake Francis Grange, Dobbins

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