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## Where Does Our Water Come From?

By Mark Jokerst, Camptonville Water Plant Manager

## THE WATER ISSUE

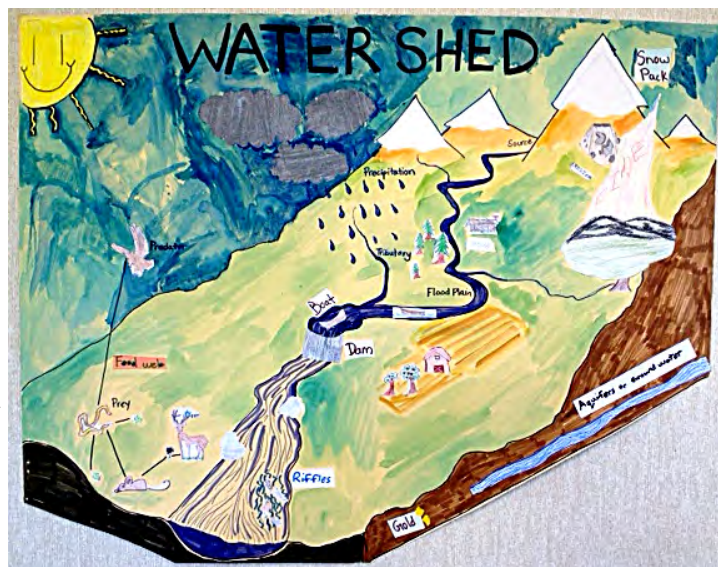
A current of water vapor rises from the ocean and is blown by the wind until it crosses the coastline and heads inland where it finally builds against the Sierra crest, forming clouds that drop rain and snow. That's the easy answer. But if you were to follow a river upstream from the ocean and make your way to Camptonville - tributary by tributary - eventually you would find the river turn to a creek, then a brook, until it just vanishes into the earth.

So where does the river come from?

The rain and snow that fall in the wet season percolate into the earth where the water collects in the cracks and fissures of the bedrock below us. Some of this water is held in the rock, like a dam underground - and we drill wells to tap into these underground veins and aquifers. But even underground, most of the water flows downhill until it resurfaces in a spring or, more commonly, a spring-fed stream. In fact, most of our creeks are spring-fed, and when you are looking at the creek you are seeing not only water coming downhill from beyond, but also seeing ground water as it surfaces out of the ground.

From the sky the water falls, soaks into the ground, and flows along cracks underground only to resurface in little creeks that come together to make rivers that flow back to the ocean, completing the cycle. Watershed: where the waters gather. Our water comes from our watershed.

While some creeks run all year, at summer's end, some run dry. In a drought, more creeks run dry than in normal years, and they run dry earlier in the season. Wells run dry if over-pumped. In summers and in droughts, we live on the reserve of water stored underground. It is a finite reservoir: as the drought lingers on, the reserve of water underground is depleted.



Artwork created by 6-7-8th graders at Camptonville School

This year, 2014, is the third year in a row of low rainfall. The underground water reservoir supplying town is showing signs of drying out: stream flows in Campbell Gulch - the creek that feeds water to metro-Camptonville - are down. Water flows in Campbell Gulch are now like they were in 2002 when water flow went down to a trickle in late July. Whether you get your water from the Camptonville water department, or you have your own well, this year calls for water conservation measures. We must make the water last all season - maybe into the next - and preserve our underground reservoirs of life-giving water. In the coming months, we'll be writing more articles describing our water resources and how best to conserve these resources through the drought. The first thing everyone needs to do is fix those pesky little seemingly-insignificant leaks. As you'll see next month - it adds up: A drop here and a drop there and pretty soon you're talking millions of gallons! *(Continued on Page 3 - A description of Camptonville's water system).*

## From the Editor

- Shirley DickKard

When I became Editor, I knew that just as *The Camptonville Courier* was a way for people to connect with each other and what's happening, it could also be a way for us to understand the watershed where we've gathered to live as a community.

Politicians and planners often identify areas with lines, labels and boxes - Highway 49, Camptonville, Yuba County. Yet for me, it's the unique weather, soil, trees, and the four-leggeds, feathers and fins that live amongst us that make this place home. I relate more to our bioregion. We are not the flat delta rivers or tall redwoods. We are the free-flowing Yuba, the ponderosa, oak and madrone. I know when I cross the river that I'm home. I can smell it, hear it, feel it. In our school, I love that our students are learning about our watershed. What they know, they will love, care for and protect.

This issue we view **Water** through the windows of art, science, observation, data, politics, and poetry. In future editions, we'll see more on our watershed. Send me your inspirations!



## How to Submit Articles to *The Courier*

- Editor

**Editor.CVCourier@gmail.com** is how to get your ideas, drafts, and final articles to me for publication. The deadline is always the 20th of the month before. I'll also take handwritten and phoned-in articles if received by the 18th.

A few guidelines: 350 word max for most articles, though lead articles may be longer. For upcoming events, updates and recaps, 250 words. I will try to accommodate variations, and reserve the right to edit or shorten articles as needed. Photos and graphics should be JPEG files. The Courier does not have a staff photographer, but sometimes staff do attend events and, if asked ahead, can take photos.

One of my goals is to have at least one new contributor each issue so that the diversity of our community is truly reflected. I invite you to call me with your ideas, even if you don't think you can write. Your ideas are worth sharing and I'm happy to help. Call me at 288-3479.



## Your Ideas for "Meet your Local ....."

By Linda Rose

The Courier would like to feature local community residents and businesses in the "Meet Your Local ....." column. We are asking our readers for ideas of who you'd like to see featured in future editions. If you have anyone in mind, or if you would like to be an interviewer and submit an article, email Linda Rose, "Meet Your Local ....." Coordinator, at [lindacrose01@gmail.com](mailto:lindacrose01@gmail.com) or phone 288-3347.

## Changes to Courier Ad Rates

- Editor

Starting with the July 2014 issue, we are revising ad rates. Most will increase; some will go down. For example:

- A *Business Card Size Ad* will be \$16/month, or \$42 for 3 months, \$72 for 6 months, and \$120 for 12 months.
- *Double-Size Ads* are \$28/\$72/\$120/\$192 respectively.
- *Pre-Printed Inserts/Dinks* are \$35/page. Please join us folding the Courier when you have an insert.
- *Classified Ads* are free for first two months, then \$10/mo.

The deadline for ads and inserts is the 18th of the month.

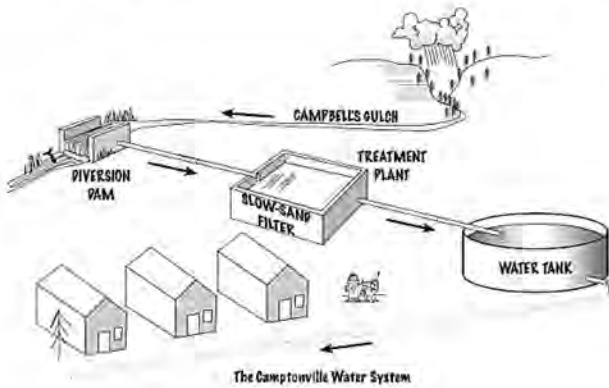
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## Camptonville's Water System

By Mark Jokerst, Water Plant Manager

Camptonville's "city water" comes from a small creek called Campbell Gulch with headwaters up near the old stage stop called Sleightville House on the ridge east of town. The creek flows out of a deep ravine, then follows Mountain House Road into town, finally crossing highway 49 north of town at Gold Pan Turn, where it joins Willow Creek to flow into Bullards Bar. Some water is diverted at our dam above town, piped to a treatment plant, stored in a steel tank, and finally released into the town water grid.

## Where

By Helen T. Widoe

(Posted in the school's Learning Center classroom)



*Where is the rain that fell last week?  
Playing tag in a mountain creek;  
Feeding the roots of a blossoming tree;  
Visiting friends back home in the sea;  
Waking a seed lying withered and dry;  
Boarding an airliner back to the sky.*

*Where is the wind that blew last night?  
Joining a jet-stream altitude flight;  
Teaching an eaglet to wheel and soar;  
Cleaning a littered, trampled shore;  
Singing through rocks to a far-off peak;  
Ferrying raindrops that fell last week.*

## All Burn Permits Suspended June 1st!

By Brandi Dudek, C'V Fire Chief



Due to the drought and the threat of large damaging wildfires, beginning Sunday **June 1st**, CAL FIRE is suspending all dooryard residential burn permits!

**You can dramatically increase the chances of your home surviving a wildfire by:** creating a minimum of 100 ft of defensible space around each structure on your property; clearing all needles and leaves from roofs, eaves, and rain gutters; trimming branches on tree trunks a minimum of 6 ft from the ground; removing branches 10 ft from all chimneys or stove pipes.

Our fire department will be happy to come to your home and advise you on how to protect your property. Give us a call at 288-3303. More information on defensible space at: [www.ReadyForWildfire.org](http://www.ReadyForWildfire.org).

***It's super dry, so please be super careful!***

## Notice of Public Hearing on Water Rates

By Mark Jokerst, Water Plant Manager

At the June 16 meeting, the Camptonville Community Service District (CCSD) Board of Directors will consider declaring a "Drought Preparation" ordinance. Such a declaration would keep the monthly water fee at \$50/month, but would reduce the allotment to 10,000 gallons per month per customer. Any use over that amount would be charged \$10.00 per 1,000 gallons of use up to 20,000 gallons, and then \$15.00 per 1,000 gallons for amounts over 20,000 gallons. The change, if approved by the board, would go into effect in July. All members of the public are invited to attend and speak on the issue. The meeting starts at 7 pm, at Camptonville School.

Speaking for myself, the excess-use fees are high, and if my house goes over the 10,000 gal limit, it will hurt! Last year I had an irrigation leak that spewed 12,000 gallons a month before I figured out what was going on. If that happens this summer, my monthly water bill would be \$50 base charge, plus \$100 for the next 10,000 gallons, then \$30 for the final 2,000 gallons, or \$180 for one month. Believe I'll be watching for leaks like a hawk! Any questions, call the Plant Manager, Mark at 288-9320.



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## Status of Water in the Yuba Watershed

By Hal Stocker, Yuba County 5th District Supervisor

There was an article in the Sunday Appeal-Democrat on 5-17-14 that stated: NEARLY 20% OF LAND TO BE FALLOWED. If you are a Yuba County farmer (and reading *The Courier*), don't panic, because this does not affect Yuba County. It only affects other valley counties that are dependent on the complex of reservoirs and canals that make up the state and federal water projects.

In other words, if you are a Yuba County farmer and dependent on the Yuba County Water Agency for water, you are better off than farmers in other counties who are dependent on the state and federal projects. Deliveries this summer from the Agency will be normal - with no fallowing necessary.

How come? We do better than most of the state because the Yuba has a great watershed. That is, we get more rain and snow per acre than other areas.

Looking at Bullard's Bar Reservoir right now, you would think the rain and snow has not been all that great. The water level is down some 70 feet - whereas the reservoir is usually full this time of the year. The reservoir level is at 68% of total capacity, which is low, but enough to get us through the summer - with normal deliveries.

We are still not out of the woods. Storage is low, and there is practically no snow pack. Here's hoping for a wet and snowy winter! Contact Hal Stocker at 675-2282.



## Water and Summer Rec with CCP

By Cathy LeBlanc



Hi Folks! Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP) will once again be offering Swim Days to youth from the Camptonville area. For over five years, CCP, Camptonville School, Sutter/Yuba Mental Health and community volunteers have partnered to bring our youth to the swim pool in Pioneer Park in Nevada City for a weekly swim adventure. Watch for flyers! If you would like to know more or sign-up your child, please contact Cathy at CCP, 288-9355.

### WANTED: Volunteer Firefighters and EMTs!

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Questions? Call Chief Brandi Dudek at 288-3303.



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## Water - Our Most Precious Liquid Asset

By Jenny Cavaliere

In a normal year, Californians are used to having water to drink, bathe, and run our daily household lives. Our farmers have ample amount of irrigation water to grow a bounty of food to feed us and the world. And our municipal and industrial businesses are able to conduct business as usual. The hydropower that is generated from the turbines at the reservoirs can provide electricity to our homes and businesses. In summary - WATER plus AGRICULTURE equals prosperity.

The Sierra Nevada is one of the most significant natural and biologically diverse regions in the world. The region constitutes about 25 percent of California's land area, or 25 million acres, and is the State's principal watershed, supplying 65 percent of the developed water supply to residents, agriculture, and other industries across the state.

California's Water Year 2014 (10/1/13 - 9/30/14) has been one of the driest in decades and follows two consecutive dry years throughout the state. In most years, California receives about half of its precipitation in the months of December, January, and February, with much of that precipitation falling as snow in the Sierras. Only a handful of large winter storms can make the difference between a wet year and a dry one.

In a normal year, the snowpack stores water during the winter months and releases it through melting in the spring and summer to replenish rivers and reservoirs. However, relatively dry weather conditions this year have reduced the amount of snowpack in California's mountains.

As a member of the Yuba County Integrated Regional Water Management Team, it is essential that the North Yuba foothill communities of Camptonville, Dobbins and Oregon House have an effective voice to be heard that we need help with our failing infrastructure and to assure safe and reliable domestic, agricultural and commercial water to our residents of the North Yuba Foothills.

Respectfully Submitted: Jenny Cavaliere - 5th District  
Supervisory Candidate ([www.jennyforsupervisor.com](http://www.jennyforsupervisor.com))



## Camptonville Country Faire June 28th

By Barbara Ramirez

*Come one, come all,* to the Country Faire, **Saturday, June 28** 1 to 7 pm at the Masonic Lodge (soon to be our Community Center). We will begin the day with a parade, followed by all kinds of fun and games. Please bring your blankets and picnic lunches, or you can purchase a delicious lunch from The Taco Truck. Crafters and vendors will offer their goods for sale. There is no fee to have a table at the event.

If you are interested in being in the parade, please let us know. Kids, decorate your bikes or yourselves, and you can also dress up your dogs and walk with them in the parade.

This is a community event to see your neighbors or meet new ones, and is sponsored by the Camptonville Community Partnership. We would be grateful for any help that day. Please call Barbara, 288-3392 with questions or to volunteer.

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## Update on Community Center Planning

By the Community Center Steering Committee

The Community Center Steering Committee met on May 7 to continue its planning process. A mechanism for accepting donations has been approved by CCSD and is awaiting approval by fiscal agent, Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP). As a 501(c)(3) organization, donations are tax deductible and checks can be made to CCP with "Community Center" on the memo line. Negotiations with the Grand Lodge to transfer ownership are in progress.

The list of long-term funding options continues to grow, including a social media campaign. We discussed usage issues and agreed that since the center will be affiliated with CCP, its programs should be compatible with CCP's philosophy: "Rural people working together for a safe, sustainable, and healthy community." The Historical Society is the only on-going program now, but proposals for new programs and events will be accepted as soon as negotiations have been completed.

Because the center will be dependent on volunteers, we agreed to form teams to address program, operations, and administrative issues. The Program Team will consist of the persons responsible for each on-going program and will address issues affecting those programs. The Operations Team will be responsible for building maintenance and for scheduling and preparing for events. The Administrative Team will be responsible for team leader meetings, the budget, communications with CCSD, and other matters that don't fall under Programs or Operations. We are in the early stages of developing a managerial structure, so the teams will evolve with time. At this stage, it looks like the annual budget will be around \$3,600. We also need a reserve fund for major repairs.

As soon as CCSD assumes ownership, we will schedule a community work day to spruce our center up, address signage issues to reflect the community's ownership, and to thank the donors who are making this possible.

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## The Community Volunteer Board

By Caitlin DeMaranville

First, I would like to introduce myself. I am Caitlin DeMaranville, and I was contacted by Cathy LeBlanc to see if I would be willing to work on creating a forum for people in this community who need help and /or have services to offer to fill these needs.

Next, I would like to explain what I mean by "Community Volunteer Board." Are you interested in receiving help from someone in our community? Are you interested in offering your help to someone in need? A Community Volunteer Board is in the works! Whether you need a ride to/from town or just someone to visit with your elderly friend, we are looking forward to having a place for you to post your needs and respond to these needs with your services.

Last, I will ask for some feedback from YOU! Would you prefer the "Board" to be physically placed outside of the Resource Center or would an electronic version work better for you? ANY ideas and responses are greatly appreciated. Call the Resource Center at 288-9355. Thanks for your help!

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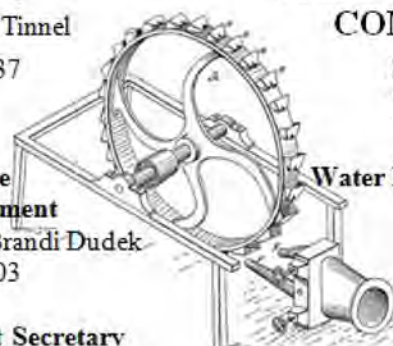
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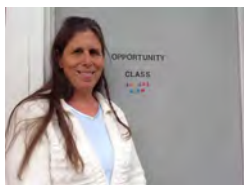
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## Opportunity Class says Farewell

By Sandy Ross



Aptly named, the Opportunity Program at Camptonville School has been operating on our campus from 2000 - 2014. In that time, teacher

Sheila Olson has been responsible for creating and maintaining a program to assist students requiring an alternative to the regular classroom setting in grades 6-8. With her patient, nurturing style she has been able to help students overcome obstacles and prepare for a successful transition to high school.

Sheila approached me in 2011 to see if she could develop an outdoor science program where students could learn about our local resources first hand as well as network with local agencies to explore and research the watershed and more. She took students on monthly excursions to do field work and collect data. This hands-on outdoor science program has challenged and engaged both opportunity students and gifted students at our school site. Sheila has many talents, and in addition to teaching core curriculum subjects, she brought music instruction, including recorder and piano, and art to her students.

Sheila has not only been an inspiring teacher, but she has also been an incredible partner and mentor for each middle school teacher she has worked with. Unfortunately, the 2013-2014 Governor's Budget for Education did not include funding for County Opportunity Programs and both Camptonville School and Wheatland had to close their current Opportunity Programs. As Sheila moves on to work for Yuba County Office of Education's Alternative Program, the students and staff at Camptonville School want Sheila to know how much we value her and the Opportunity Program. They will both be greatly missed. We love you, Sheila!

## Children's Water Poems

Roberta Forest, K-1-2 Teacher, Camptonville School

The K-1-2 classroom had the exciting opportunity to raise trout in our classroom. As a result, we learned many things about water's role in our local watershed.



Here is what Noah Noble in 2nd grade wrote about water:

*Let me tell you about trout in water. First, trout have to have water to breath. Second, they need water to swim and lay their eggs. Third, they need gravel to protect their eggs in the water. All in all, I know about trout in water.*

Jacob Boyd who is also in 2nd grade wrote:


*Let me tell you how bears use water. First, bears eat anything they find in the river. Second, one of the things they use the water for is catching fish. Third, they drink the water and cool off in it. All in all, now you know three things about bears and water.*

Joel Williams, a 2nd grader wrote:

*Let me tell you about river otters. First, they eat fish in the water. Second, they use water to move around in their habitat. Third, they make traps to catch eels. As you can see, I know three things about river otters.*

Then our 1st grader, Rocco Querequincia wrote:

*Let me tell you about beavers. First, they make dams out of trees on creeks. Second, this makes ponds. Third, I saw a beaver home on water. As you can see, I know three things about beavers.*



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## Camptonville's Liam Ruff - Mountain Bike Champion

By Roy Ruff



Riding for the Nevada Union Miners Mountain Bike Team, Camptonville resident Liam Ruff completed a perfect season in NorCal MTB league competition. He wore the Division 1 leader's jersey throughout his way to becoming the NorCal D1 sophomore champion. In post season action he earned a 5th place medal at the Mountain Bike State Championships held May 11 at Monterey's Laguna Seca raceway.

Twenty-one members of Nevada Union's Mountain Bike Team qualified for the championships, joining 750 of the fastest riders from up and down the state. Liam was the only Miner to earn a medal. An avid mt bicyclist and accomplished junior MTB racer, he was the winner in his category at last year's Downieville Downhill XC Mt Bike Race and will compete again this summer in the All Mountain category.

Along with lots of hard work, he credits his cycling success in no small part to his ability to train easily with simple access to Bullards Bar and other excellent area trails where you may see him zipping by. He also credits encouragement from the local mt biking community, especially the support from Tour of Nevada Bike Shop, Youth Bicyclist of Nevada County, and Bicyclist of Nevada County, stewards of the Bullards Bar Trail system. He'll be riding varsity for the NU team in 2015, and competing in the Nevada City Dirt Classic MTB race series with local races in June and July. Let's all wish him luck!

The June 14th Dirt Classic race at Osborn Hill in Grass Valley is a Saturday prelude to Sunday's Nevada City Father's Day Classic road bike race. The Nevada City Dirt Classic series is sponsored by Youth Bicyclists of Nevada County and features riders of all ages. Go to [www.ybonc.org](http://www.ybonc.org) to register.

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## Yuba River Ranger District

By Betty Leffew

With the weather getting warmer, lots of people will be enjoying the lakes and rivers. Watch out for poison oak and snakes. The dock is in at Dark Day boat ramp. Reserve Hwy 49 and the Buttes campgrounds through Recreation.gov.

Fuelwood season is open. Permits can be purchased at any ranger station through Dec. 31. The price per cord is \$15 with a 2-cord min. and a 10-cord max. per household. In general, the permit allows removal of dead or downed wood on TNF system lands.

Dooryard burn permits are required. You can pick up one at the ranger station Mon.-Fri. You must check with the Department of Air Quality or the ranger station (288-3231) for burn day status although **Cal Fire will be suspending burning starting June 1st.**

Rainfall for May 2014 is .42 inches bringing our season total to 35.73 inches. Last year's total was 40.40 inches.

## Fire Dept Picnic Sept. 6th. Save the Date!

By Donna Tate

The 21st Annual Camptonville Volunteer Fire Department Picnic will be held on **September 6**, at the Lost Nugget field, starting at 2 pm. Watch *The Courier* for further information.

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## Hydration Through the Sierra Summer

By Catie Pazandak



Inhabiting this dry land of California for the past four years has helped me to more fully understand my deep love and appreciation for our most sacred element, WATER.

The human adult is approximately 60% water. Each cell is filled with water and water is needed to do just about everything in the body: digestion, detoxifying and eliminating waste, hormone and neurotransmitter formation, as a shock absorber for the brain, spinal cord, joints, and developing fetus, delivering oxygen throughout the body, and body temperature regulation. We last only days without water.

So, how do we stay hydrated in this dry, summer heat? We drink AT LEAST 64 ounces of room temperature water daily and we use a little help from our friends - the minerals, plants and even animals (fats).

Minerals play a crucial role in helping us to stay hydrated. The minerals also known as electrolytes are magnesium, calcium, sodium and potassium. Most people are deficient in these (with the exception of sodium). They play hundreds of roles in the body, each working in collaboration with water to keep our cells, heart and brain functioning.

Supplementation of all minerals through food, herbs, or supplements is wise. If you are dehydrated, adding these electrolytes to your water can help your body recover much faster. Keeping them at optimal levels in your system can decrease chances of dehydration. Watch for early signs of dehydration especially in young children and the elderly.

Herbs are full of minerals. Some herbs, known as demulcents, help keep our mucous membranes moist and healthy. Marshmallow root is a favorite of mine. This plant helps with inflammation of the mucosa, immunity, wound healing and kidney function. Other demulcents are Aloe, Slippery Elm, Flax, Licorice, Linden and Cinnamon.

A great way to start the day: 16 ounces of lemon water and an offering of gratitude to our most precious ally.

As with any herb or supplement, check with your health care practitioner before using if you are on medications or are pregnant.

*Catie Pazandak has recently relocated with her family to Camptonville. She is a clinical nutritionist and herbalist and is available for consultations and custom-made herbal products. She can be contacted at [harvestingvitality@gmail.com](mailto:harvestingvitality@gmail.com) or [www.harvestingvitality.org](http://www.harvestingvitality.org).*

## BELLY UP

By Robert Mumm

*Here no flash of Kingfisher in darting dive  
he must hunt another pond  
Floating corpses bob and roll  
in windrows by this shore  
Silver bellies turned to the sun  
gas filled and floating high  
No stirring fin among them  
open gills heed not the push of wave  
Here awash in stagnant soup  
in plenitude they lie*

*None here to feed the Kingfisher's baby  
so he must seek another pond  
This pond has died  
as have the small hearts within these fishes  
Here the only pulse  
is wave stirred murky water  
Silver bellies bob and roll  
in decaying counterfeit of life  
Where now  
will the kingfisher feed his baby*

*Are there yet ponds  
where small silver fish dart and dive  
Is there a place  
with clean and treasured water  
A small basin  
filled with living healthy things  
The Kingfisher flies now on tired wings  
in search of such a place  
This broken Pond is of no use to him  
for he must feed his baby*



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## Drug Cartel Meeting

By Greta Broda

Organizations, some from Sacramento and others as far away as Michoacan, Mexico, are active in the Foothills, hiring operatives to set up large marijuana grow sites on public lands. This according to Joe Cook, Forest Service Law Enforcement Officer, who spoke to a group of 40 residents at Camptonville School on April 23.

These outside organizations invest considerable capital in plants, irrigations systems, employees, food and camping equipment. They are reluctant to let go of this investment or to back off and are usually armed. They target forest land with access to a water source.

Pesticides, fertilizers and rodent poisons are left on abandoned sites. A lethal nerve agent smuggled in from Mexico, used as a pesticide, often ends up in our streams. Trash, debris and toxins remain to despoil the forest land, pollute the watersheds and endanger wild life and humans.

Officer Cook suggested residents watch for unusual activity such as large drop offs of camping supplies and signs of camping in odd locations such as brush fields. If you come across a plantation, immediately leave the way you came in.

To report suspected drug cartel activity call: US Forest Service Law Enforcement Officer, Joe Cook (530) 906-2087, Sierra County Sheriff's Deputy, Graham Beatie, 289-3700, Yuba County Sheriff's Office 749-7777 and also 911.



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## Bio Energy Update

Chris Friedel



Entrance to mill site

Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP) continues to work on developing a Forest Biomass Business Center (FBBC) at the former Sierra Mountain Mills site in Celestial Valley. The FBBC would feature a small bioenergy plant that creates electricity from woody material generated during local forest restoration and fuel reduction projects. To this end, CCP has had preliminary conversations with a company, Phoenix Energy, which has built small biomass gasification power plants in Merced and Oakdale, and is currently researching other potential technology vendors. The FBBC will be home to other local businesses making value-added products from forest biomass and small-diameter logs.

By undertaking this project, Camptonville has become part of a small group of forest-based communities in California that are revitalizing local economies and creating "green" jobs by investing in multi-product biomass sort yards at former sawmill sites. Other efforts include Calaveras Healthy Impact Product Solutions in Calaveras County, The Sierra Institute for Community and Environment in Plumas County, and the Watershed Research and Training Center in Trinity County.

CCP has held initial meetings of the Project Steering Committee to help shape the future direction of this exciting project. They listed the basic issues surrounding the project as: fire safety, jobs for local residents, woodchips supply and correlation with SB1122 legislation. There are still spaces available on the committee and interested people should contact CCP. CCP is also conducting interviews with local stakeholders, including private timber companies and Forest Service representatives; is researching potential business models and partners; and will be releasing an Economic Development Plan for the FBBC by the end of August. This effort has been supported by the Sierra Nevada Conservancy, the National Forest Foundation and California Statewide Wood Energy Team.

For more information contact Cathy Le Blanc at 288-9355. Local residents are especially encouraged to become part of the conversation about this project by filling out a short survey on the web at <https://sites.google.com/site/camptonvillefbbc>.



## Classified Ads

### Responsible Local Teen Wants Summer Job

Experienced with yard maintenance - weed eating, mowing, landscaping, firewood cutting. Rate \$19/hr. No job too small. Call for references. Larry McDaniel 288-3265 or cell 702-279-2754. I look forward to working for you. Call me!

### Lovelorn



Dashing Dandy Debonair male Muscovy Duck situated on beautiful private pond, seeks lovely lady Muscovy Duck to share in domestic bliss. Call 288-3264.

### Calling Children to Play

A private Children's Playground in C'V needs children! Children must be accompanied by adult and visits must be pre-arranged. Please contact Ryan at 263-2988.



### CalFresh, California's Nutrition Supplement Program

To apply call the Camptonville Resource Center at 288-9355

### New Yuba County Brown Bag Food Giveaway Program

Lisa Baker, Dobbins Food Bank

USDA's Brown Bag Food Giveaway program is coming to the Dobbins Food Bank. The program is family size and income driven. For info on how to signup, please call Shirley Hamilton at 673-3834. The food giveaway date in Dobbins has changed to the 3rd Friday, 9:30-10:30 am. The local Food Bank is all Thurs. but the 3rd, 12:30-1:30 pm. Call 692-1688.

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## Help & Hope

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| Yuba County Sheriff Emergency         | 749-7909     |
| Non-Emergency                         | 749-7777     |
| PG&E                                  | 800-743-5000 |
| Red Cross of NE California            | 673-1460     |
| Office of Emergency Services-Yuba     | 749-7520     |
| KVMR 89.5 FM                          | 265-9555     |
| KNCO News Talk 830 AM                 | 272-3424     |
| AA in Camptonville                    | 288-1001     |
| Community Recovery Resources (GV)     | 273-9541     |
| Domestic Violence:                    |              |
| -Casa de Esperanza, Hot Line (Yuba)   | 674-2040     |
| -DVSAC Crisis (Nevada Co)             | 272-3467     |
| CA Rural Legal Assistance (Yuba)      | 742-5191     |
| Legal Center for Seniors (Yuba)       | 742-8289     |
| Mental Health 24hr Crisis Line (Yuba) | 673-8255     |
| NAMI - Support for mental illness     | 272-7863     |

(Contact Editor for additions or corrections)

### Survival Tip #3:

### Be Prepared with Water



By Camptonville Prepared!

Even during a drought, store a minimum of one gallon of water per person per day for emergencies. (2 quarts for drinking, 2 for food preparation and sanitation).



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### June School Calendar

June 2 Principal's Lunch for Excellent Attendance, 11:45 am  
June 3 Awards Assembly, 8:45 am (not a minimum day)  
8th Grade Graduation, 6 pm at the Amphitheater  
Graduation Dance (4-8th Grades) 7-9 pm in the Gym  
June 4 8th Grade Skip Day Trip to Six Flags  
Grades K-7 Minimum Day, 12:45 pm dismissal  
June 5 End of the Year Picnic at Lake Francis, 10 am - 2 pm  
June 6 Teacher Work Day  
June 11 School Board Meeting, 6 pm:  
Public Hearing for 2014-15 Budget and LCAP  
June 25 School Board Meeting, 6 pm:  
Adoption of the 2014-15 Budget and LCAP  
School Office Hours: June 2nd - 6th: M-Fri, 8-4 pm;  
June 9th - 12th: M-Th, 9-2 pm; June 23rd - 26th: M-Th, 8-4 pm

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### June, 2014 Community Calendar

On-Line Calendar: [www.camptonville/calendar/phb](http://www.camptonville/calendar/phb)

#### June

3 WSMC Health Van, 10am-3pm, Masonic Lodge  
8th Grade Graduation, 6pm, School  
11 C'V Prepared! 6:30 pm, School  
16 CCP Board Meeting, 5 pm, Resource Center  
CCSD Board Meeting, 7 pm, C'V School  
28 Community Cntr Steer Com, 7 pm, Mason Lodge

#### Save the Date

June 28 C'V Country Faire, 1 pm, Masonic Lodge  
Sept 6 Fire Dept Picnic, 2 pm, Lost Nugget Field

#### On-Going Weekly Events

Mondays: Yoga/Pilates, 9 am, NSJ Center  
Tuesdays: Organic Lunch, 12 pm, NSJ Center  
Yoga, 5:30 pm C'V School Gym  
C'V Fire Dept Trainings, 6-9 pm, Fire Hall  
Thursdays: Community Lunch, 12 pm, NSJ Center  
Food Bank, Dobbins (except 3rd Thurs), 12:30-1:30 pm  
Food Bank, NSJ, 2nd Thurs, 8 am, NSJ Center  
AA Meeting, 6:30 - 7:30 pm, C'V Resource Center  
Fridays: Bingo, 1st & 3rd Friday, 7 pm NSJ Center  
USDA Food Bank, 3rd Fri, 9-10:30 am, Dobbins, LF Grange

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