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"And how are the children?"



The following excerpt is from a speech by Reverend Dr. Patrick T. O'Neill, First Parish Unitarian Universal Church, Framingham, MA, 1991.



Camptonville Kids

"Among the most accomplished and fabled tribes of Africa, no tribe was considered to have warriors more fearsome or more intelligent than the mighty Masai. It is perhaps surprising, then, to learn the traditional greeting that passed between Masai warriors: *Kasserian Ingera*, one would always say to another. It means, *And how are the children?*

It is still the traditional greeting among the Masai, acknowledging the high value that the Masai always place on their children's well-being. Even warriors with no children of their own would always give the traditional answer, *All the children are well*. Meaning, of course, that peace and safety prevail, that the priorities of protecting the young, the powerless, are in place.

That Masai society has not forgotten its reason for being, its proper functions and responsibilities. *All the children are well* means that life is good. It means that the daily struggles for existence do not preclude proper caring for their young.

I wonder how it might affect our consciousness of our own children's welfare if in our culture we took to greeting each other with this daily question: *And how are the children?* I wonder if we heard that question and passed it along to each other a dozen times a day, if it would begin to make a difference in the reality of how children are thought of or cared about in our own country.

I wonder if every adult among us, parent and non-parent alike, felt an equal weight for the daily care and protection of all the children in our community, in our town, in our state, in our country. . . I wonder if we could truly say without any hesitation, *The children are well, yes, all the children are well*.

What would it be like . . . if the President began every press conference, every public appearance, by answering the question, *And how are the children, Mr. President?* If every town leader had to answer the question at the beginning of every meeting: *And how are the children? Are they all well?*

Wouldn't it be interesting to hear their answers? What would it be like? I wonder..."



Sign as you enter Camptonville

From the Editor

- Shirley Dickard

Just how do we show *we value and care for our children*? Perhaps it's an attitude, followed by action. Even our smallest acts create an atmosphere of caring, such as driving slowly down Cleveland Avenue where children walk, or buying a student's fundraiser ticket even though you don't especially want the prize, or asking for children's opinions and giving them your time and respect when they share their views.

I remember many years ago, a young boy was caught vandalizing a public building in Camptonville. While I don't remember the specifics, I do recall that he was sorry afterwards and wanted to make amends. Though he could have been punished, we asked him if he'd be willing to come to the next community Action Team meeting and offer an apology. He came, we listened, and I think everyone left feeling good about the process.


Tonie Hilligoss shared this story of the unexpected benefit our community received when adults demonstrated respect and support for concerned 4-5th graders.

In 1999, the Yuba County Water Agency was promoting the idea of building a dam at Freeman's Crossing on the Middle Yuba River, a project that would flood much of Moonshine Road. Children at the school were horrified by the prospect and disheartened by the thought that there was nothing they could do about it.

Then they began to explore potential solutions and garnered support from some adults who had knowledge of the process. They decided they wanted to make a presentation to the Yuba County Water Agency to share their perspective with the Board. They were politely, if not warmly, received and, in the end, the Board voted not to proceed with the plan. Perhaps this was because it was a slow news day, and their efforts were covered in the nightly TV news and newspapers. Nevertheless, they had accomplished what adults around them had not been able to do. Caring for children is important; valuing their ideas and helping them act on them is invaluable.



(Editor, continued) Our children grow up, sometimes leave, often return. They're the next generation who will volunteer at the school, Fire Department, Picnic, and Parents Club. They will sit on the Boards of CCSD, CCP, and the School. They will work at the market, post office, restaurant, nursery, and classroom, or start their own business. The value and care we give all our children today will return to us many-fold.



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How Are The Children?

By Cathy LeBlanc, CCP

It takes a village. We have all heard that phrase, and in Camptonville, we live it. You may have noticed the sign as you come into town - *Our Community Values & Cares for Its Children*. Those aren't just words on some sign. To those of us who live here, they hold significance.

If you could go back in time about 20 years, you would see Camptonville at the beginning of a children's health initiative we shared with 21 other Northern California communities. Sierra Health Foundation (SHF) brought us together as the *Community Partnerships for Healthy Children* (CPHC).

Originally, SHF thought they would see lowered rates of asthma, diabetes, obesity, etc. But when communities began talking about what would improve their children's health, they realized that healthy children come from healthy families, and healthy families come from healthy communities.

So next time you drive by that sign, I hope it gives you a smile. I hope you see it as a reflection of the care Camptonville has for you.

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Annual Fire Department Picnic is Right Around the Corner! - September 12th

By Donna Tate



The Fire Department and the Auxiliary are all geared up and ready to host the 23rd annual Camptonville Volunteer Fire Department Picnic. The event will be held at the Lost Nugget Market Field on **Saturday, September 12th, from 2-10 pm**, with dinner served between 2-7 pm.

We will be serving our awesome menu of tri-tip, chicken, or burger, baked potato, salad, and bread, all for a \$10 donation. There will be entertainment and activities throughout the day and when the sun goes down, put on your glow necklaces and your dancing shoes and get ready to rock the night with the "Sons of Boogie," the same great band we enjoyed last year!

There are great raffle items, including some big cash prizes and several items from our local and neighboring businesses. Raffle tickets can be purchased at the Lost Nugget Market, Burgee Dave's, Rebel Ridge Organics, or at the Picnic.

The Auxiliary is still looking for a few volunteers to help serve dinner. If you are interested, please call Wendy Tinnel at 277-6737.

Come show your community spirit and support for our awesome Fire Department Volunteers!

Lots to do in September!

Moonshine Picnic on September 19th

By Carolyn Mumm



Our annual Moonshine Road Potluck Picnic will take place at **3:30 pm, Saturday, September 19th**, at Scott and Chris Pope's yard (14106 Moonshine Road, about a half mile up from Hwy 49).

Bring a dish to share, a dish and utensils to eat with, and your favorite beverage. Ice tea and water will be provided. Badminton and horseshoes will be ready for playing, and if you like soccer, bring a ball!

Everyone in Camptonville is invited to bring a potluck dish, visit with friends and neighbors, and enjoy the homemade, garden-fresh food.

This year, we are inviting some special guests to talk with our neighborhood. Starting at 4:30 pm, Fire Chief Brandi Dudek will discuss fire safety and the upcoming winter; the Yuba County Sheriff's Department will present the Neighborhood Watch program; and a representative from Bean Security will talk about our home safety. Watch for fliers with more details, or call Carolyn at 288-3424 or Chris at 288-3346.

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September 1st-30th at the North Columbia Schoolhouse Cultural Center, located at 17894 Tyler Foote Road on the San Juan Ridge; open Mondays and Wednesdays from noon to 5 pm.

There will be an Artist Reception on **Thursday, September 10, 5-8 pm**, with food, music and art.

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More September Events!

Four Free Fantastic Workshops for Parents!

by Yakshi Vadeboncoeur, 1,2,3 Grow



Thelma Amaya, the Yuba County Office of Education Behavioral Specialist, is coming to the Camptonville Resource Center to offer a series of four, free workshops during the 2015/16 school year. Thelma's insights, strategies, and suggestions are always deeply useful, practical, and directly applicable to some of our most familiar and often frustrating family scenarios.

These workshops are free and open to everyone no matter what your children's (or grandchildren's) ages. It's a wonderful opportunity for both parents to get on the same page when trying to address those sticky childhood challenges, or sibling rivalries.

Mark your calendars and get ready to be Thelma Ama-zed. Her wisdom is a gift to all our families.

- **September 3rd:** Real Parenting - *Out of The Box Solutions* for Dealing With *Out of My Mind Situations*, 9:30 am at the Resource Center behind the school.
- **November 17th:** *He Hit Me, She Took My Toy* - Turn Conflict Into Teachable Moments
- **February 2nd:** *Mild or Wild* – Strategies to Strengthen Your Child's Unique Gifts
- **April 26th:** Encouraging the Discouraged, Dependent or Dramatic Child

Free Weekend Family Films at Indian Valley Outpost

By Karla Gardner



We'd like to let the community know that we will be showing family films on **Friday and Saturday nights** at sundown, weather permitting, in our new outdoor theater. Admission is free, and you only need to bring your lawn chairs. For movie titles, give us a call at 289-3349.

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Notice of Public Hearing - September 16th Developer Fee Increase

By Richard Dickard, CUESD Board Member

Public input is requested by the Camptonville School Board on increasing Developer Fees. A recent Developer Fee study indicated the need for increased fees on residential, commercial, and industrial construction. The fee increase, the first in more than a decade, will help fund much-needed modernization of Camptonville School. Education Code Section S 17620 and Government Codes 65995 authorize this type of action. The Developer Fee study that justifies this increase will be presented at the public hearing at **6 pm on September 16th** at Camptonville School.

Forest Biomass to Energy Project Presentations



By Regine Miller, CCP

Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP) invites you to attend two upcoming meetings where the final feasibility study report for the proposed Forest Biomass to Energy facility will be presented. The report will also be posted on the project's website: <http://sites.theccp.org/fbbc/>. The meetings are as follows:

- **Yuba County Board of Supervisors**

Tuesday, September 15th, 8:30-9:15 am

Yuba County Government Center, Board Chambers,
915 Eighth St., Marysville

- **Camptonville Community Meeting**

Thursday, September 17th, 6-7 pm, Community Center

CCP is beginning work on the project's next steps, including drafting a Request for Proposals (RFP) for development of a site plan and completion of the Conditional Use Permit (CUP). The RFP is expected to be advertised to potential consultants in late August, followed by selecting and contracting with the consultant in late September.

In collaboration with the Sierra Institute for Community and Environment and their Rural Community Development Initiative grant, CCP has begun to receive technical assistance from legal counsel with expertise in biomass to energy projects. CCP expects to draft a long-term lease agreement for the facility, determine a technology and developer for the project, and begin to evaluate ownership models for the project using this technical assistance. The legal counsel will also provide support for the upcoming CUP process.

For more information or for questions, contact Regine Miller at regine@theccp.org or 288-9355. Thank you for your continued interest and support.

From Your Yuba County 5th District Supervisor

By Randy Fletcher

As the new Supervisor for the 5th District in Yuba County, I have to admit that I have had to learn about the responsibilities, expectations, and time commitment involved with being a County Supervisor. So far, it has been an incredibly interesting experience.

I serve not only as a Supervisor, but as a representative on several committees: Area 4 on Aging-Governing, Chamber of Commerce, Yuba County Children's Council, and the Yuba Sutter Transit Authority, and I serve as an alternate on several others. I have also been participating in the Sustainable Forest Action Committee (SFAC) which looks at issues that may have significant impacts for Yuba County foothill communities. We are currently looking into obtaining funds for fire protection projects from federal sources and from the Sierra Nevada Conservancy.

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has recently purchased three tracts of land in the Yuba County foothills. I have been trying to get information regarding the types of access the public has, or will have, to using these areas for recreation. So far, the bureaucracy has been difficult to wade through, but I will keep trying to get answers.

The Yuba County Water Agency, of which I am a member, is looking at a new project: the Yuba River ecosystem restoration feasibility study. This is a federal cost-sharing agreement with the US Army Corp of Engineers. There will be a formal public comment period this fall. Community involvement is encouraged on this project.

The Yuba County Board was recently presented with a new zoning ordinance proposal. I suggested that it be reviewed by outside groups to look for areas in the plan that could be improved or changed to meet the needs of our rural community. As a result of this review, changes were made, and the ordinance is on the right track, but, I would implore the citizens of this county, and in particular the 5th District, to look at this ordinance, and provide ideas, and comments, before it is finalized. The county website for this is <http://www.yubazoningupdate.org/>

I welcome discussion from my constituents on these or other issues, and can be reached at my County Office: 749-7510, and by email: rfletcher@co.yuba.ca.us.



"What? No gas in our Fire Truck?"

By Brandi Dudek, CVFD Fire Chief

We recently discovered that someone had syphoned gas from one of our trucks parked at the station on Mill Street. It would be very tragic if we got paged out for an emergency and couldn't respond because the truck had no gas.

Please! If you see anything that looks suspicious when you drive by the station - call 911. If you would like to remain anonymous, you can place a note on one of the doors. Your Volunteer Fire Department would greatly appreciate it so we can be there for you!



We need volunteer firefighters!

This month our Fire Department was paged out for seven calls: two medicals, one assist, and four MVA (motor vehicle accidents).

Our roster has dropped to 19 firefighters with one cadet. But only about 10 come to regular trainings and about half of those respond to emergency calls. With such a severe fire season, we desperately need more volunteers. If you've ever thought of becoming a firefighter, now is the time!

Trainings are Tuesdays from 6-9 pm. One night a month we go to NSJ for medical training. Stop by any Tuesday and check us out! We can always use volunteers for helping with paperwork, maintenance, and other non-firefighter projects. If you're interested in donating time and being part of a great team, feel free to give your chief a call at 288-3303.

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Meet Your Local CSA Farmers Jeff and Christina Ledson and Ledson's Family CSA Farm

By Linda Rose

As many of you are aware, local Community-Supported Agriculture (CSA) farms have taken off all over the county. Thanks to Jeff and Christina Ledson, Camptonville has its own CSA. Prior to relocating to Camptonville in 2010, Jeff and Christina ran snow removal and real estate businesses at Lake Tahoe. When the economy slumped, they were forced to close their businesses and leave the area. Devastated from their loss, they wandered a bit and ended up staying with friends in Camptonville until they could figure out what to do. While here, they planted a small garden. After harvest, they visited friends in Lake Tahoe and shared some of their bounty. The friends were delighted with the fresh produce and wanted more on a regular basis. Thus the seed was planted for the Ledson Family Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) farm.

The purpose of CSA farms is to gather community support for family farmers who often struggle to sustain a productive and diverse garden. The CSA provides a bountiful crop for its members throughout the season. The Ledson's plant a variety of produce, much like one would find in a market. The growing season lasts for 20 weeks. After harvest, the crops are divided between the shares and delivered each Wednesday. They offer three levels of shares: full, half, and mini. Prices vary depending upon where members are located.

Christina enjoys delivering the produce as it is an opportunity to meet members face-to-face and get immediate feedback. She has developed good relationships, and everyone expresses delight with what they have received. Initially, their goal was to service Downieville and Sierra City, as well as Lake Tahoe, as gardens are difficult to grow in those areas due to the short growing season. Later, service was offered to Camptonville and service was discontinued to Lake Tahoe.

The Ledson's have no plans at this time to expand beyond what they have now. Once Jeff completes the log cabin dream house they will be able to expand, servicing up to 22 families. They are also starting an orchard.

The Ledson's are now offering processed food sold at farmers markets and craft fairs. Examples of what they offer include but are not limited to tomatoes, pickles, salsa, BBQ sauce, pizza sauce, and jams.



Christina Ledson

In addition to her busy life with the garden, Christina is a member of the Parents Club, Director of the new Camptonville Community Center - reporting to the Camptonville Community Services District (CCSD), and is the new manager of the Camptonville Gardeners' Market. And, of course, Jeff continues to work on the family dream home as time permits while tending to the demands of the farm.

Their 13 year old son, Kyle, a gifted musician, plays the mandolin at a variety of community events. Perhaps you have seen and heard him play, often accompanied by his father on the guitar.

Busy, busy family!



Kyle and Jeff Ledson

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The Resource Center: Come Make Things Happen!

By Jocelyn Rapp, CCP

Camptonville is a pretty special place to grow up. I know because I did it. It's beautiful, and contrary to (un)popular belief, there is a lot to do. As a kid, I romped through the woods, walked the yellow line, and got into all sorts of (totally non-destructive) mischief on the playground. My family frequented various river spots, and my friends and I spent many afternoons trekking to the Pizza Parlor (RIP) for Jelly Bellies, and to the Lost Nugget for ice cream. I remember all these times of unstructured, unsupervised play and am grateful that I grew up in a community that celebrated (or tolerated) its country kids.

As we at Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP) make our many treks down the mountain to attend meetings in Marysville, representing Camptonville, we have been struck by reports that the need for child welfare services in Yuba County has spiked dramatically this year. I think back to all the great things that were going on in the background here in Camptonville that made my childhood days possible: Twilight School, After-School Programs, Primary Playschool, Summer Rec, and local soccer and T-ball teams. A lot of those great programs have come and gone, so I want to remind you of something that many of those activities had in common and which is still working here in the background. I am talking about the Camptonville Resource Center.

You may know that the Resource Center acts as an office for CCP, that it hosts weekly AA meetings, and that we have free WiFi and public computers. But, it's also a place where anyone can come to seek help obtaining services, to ask for guidance, to meet with neighbors or other community members, and to get assistance/tools/funding to start new community projects or programs.

If you are feeling bored as a kid, overwhelmed as a parent, underserved as an elder, or anything in between, the Resource Center is FOR you. We want to help make the programs you envision for the community happen, and the life you imagine for yourself easier. Have ideas or suggestions? Come in and tell us, call us at 288-9355, or email me at jocelyn@theccp.org. Let's make it happen.



The Camptonville Resource Center

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The Water Report: From Bad to Worse?

By Mark Jokerst, Water Plant Manager

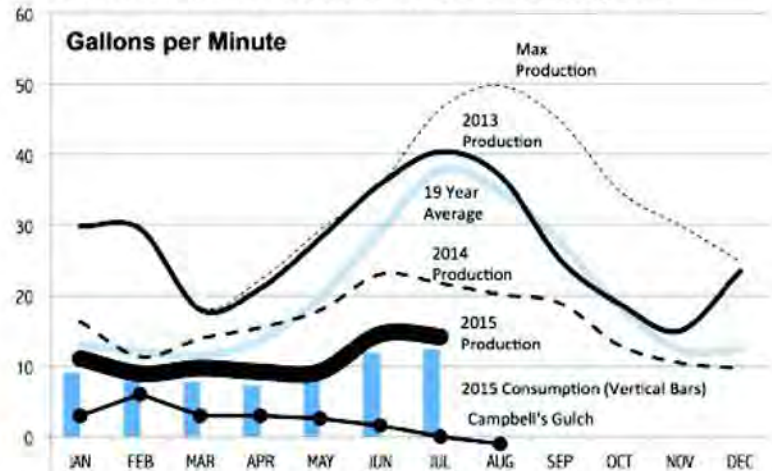
By the time you read this newsletter, our water situation will undoubtedly be worse. Today, August 20, Campbells Gulch is providing us with water at the rate of 10 gallons per minute (gpm). Our last meter reading (July 24th) indicates we are using water at a rate of 12 gpm – sobering data as the drought situation develops. We have started drawing water from our wells, fingers crossed, for I'm sure that that source of water is on the wane as well. Thanks for your conservation efforts, please keep on keeping on...

Meanwhile, the new tank construction moves forward. In order to connect the new tank to the water main, we shut service for two hours on August 19, 21, 22, 24, and 25, giving the contractors a window to cut the main, insert some new fittings, and sanitize and seal it back. Our apologies to all who experienced a water outage. It's just too ironic that this endeavor happened in the middle of the worst drought in many years.

But the irony keeps on going: By the end of August, the federal government will have decided if Camptonville is to receive another grant to drill two new wells. The prognosis is good and our hopes are high. It will probably start raining like crazy as soon as the grant is approved.

And now the good news: While all the talking heads were telling us that El Nino is due back this fall, my favorite weather forecaster, Bryan Allegretto (<http://opensnow.com/dailysnow/tahoe>) was saying "it doesn't look good." His forecast for heavy precipitation was not good, and he had sound reasons and data backing his guesses. But, the global weather situation is still developing, and after examining the latest, now Bryan is thinking we may get some good rain and snow this fall. He's cutting wood and weatherizing his place.

CCSD Water Production & Consumption



The Water Chart: "Water over the Weir" at Campbells Gulch goes negative. 2015 Consumption is holding at about 12 gpm, compared to 17 gpm last year. THANK YOU SO MUCH! Water consumption for the past 12 months was 5.6 million gallons, compared to 7.8 million the year before and 9.2 million for 2013. We are using 60% of our 2013 consumption. Good Job!



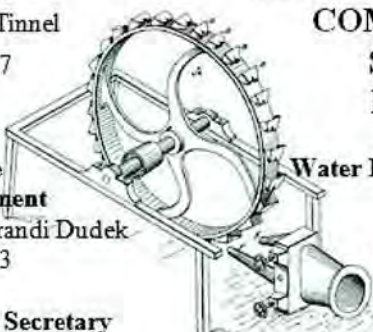
This picture of the Campbells Gulch intake structure shows the pipeline that takes water from the creek and sends it to the plant for treatment. In normal times, it is covered with 16 inches of water, 24/7.

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Pop Quiz on Water

Students, How's your Water Math?

Here's a problem:


In the past 12 months, the whole town has used 5,602,000 gallons of water. What is the average daily rate of consumption per capita, in gallons, assuming a population of 150 persons? I think you will find that Camptonville is a master at conserving water!

(The answer is hidden on Page 10)

September School Calendar



- September 3** 1st Trimester Electives begin, 1:10-2:10 pm
- September 9** Awards Assembly, 8:45 am
Staff Development Minimum Day,
12:45 pm dismissal
Kindergarten Schedule: 8:25 am-12:45 pm
- September 16** School Board Meeting, 6 pm
- September 23** Professional Development Minimum Day,
12:45 pm dismissal
Kindergarten Schedule: 8:25-12:45 pm
- September 25** Run-Walk-A-Thon Fundraiser, 8:35-11:45 am
- September 29** Site Council Meeting, 3 pm
Flag Football Game Schedule to Be Announced



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How are the Kids?

By Sandy Ross, Superintendent/Principal

There is no simple answer to the question, "How are the kids?" Having worn multiple hats in 26 years of educational employment, I can say that the answer lies in a spectrum of colors as well as large patches of grey.

As Superintendent, I am frequently asked by the state and the feds to be accountable to the public and gauge our success as a school by the data that we collect. It is acknowledged that much of this data presents only one snapshot of the situation. How well a student performs on one test should never be used to determine a student's future success.

At Camptonville School, I am proud to say that we do our best to look at the present state of the whole child and work from there to build academic, social, and emotional capacity. Just because a child is not performing at grade level does not mean that the child does not have strengths that encompass a number of different intelligences and skills.

Our theme for the current school year is *Everybody is Welcome. Everybody Belongs*. We want students to recognize their differences as traits that will make them stand out as adults. Tolerance is overrated. We aspire to be a place where kids not only tolerate those that are different, but accept and welcome them.

But really, how do I know how the kids are doing? I have the joy of observing their ability to communicate, to solve problems, and to embrace new challenges with the realization that it will take time to get where they want to be. The majority of adults that visit our school are shocked that our students want to meet and greet them and do not hesitate to converse in a positive and friendly manner. In addition, I just had parents come talk to me about making a change in their child's educational plan because, "parents need to listen to their kids sometimes." That is, and always will be the truest way to know that the kids are alright.



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What's Happening at the Community Center?

By Christina Ledson

August was a busy month at the Community Center. As I am writing this, the Terry Riley Concert has yet to happen, but I am positive it will be a fantastic event!

We started the month off with the Historical Society's re-enactment fundraiser, along with the first Gardeners' Market for the season. There has been a great turnout for this long-running tradition in Camptonville. On the 15th, we had the Community Yard Sale, with 11 vendors and the Center's items for sale. The \$345 we made will go toward improving The Center. Thank you to everyone who came out to support these wonderful events.

We have postponed the construction on the new sign for the Center for a month or so. We are still in need of volunteers for this project, and hope to get it started after the Terry Riley concert. If you are interested, please see further information in the "How Can I Help?" article.

We have done a great job with our fundraising efforts, but the bills will keep on coming. So remember, if you are looking for a place to have a meeting or throw a party, the Community Center is the perfect location!



Answer to the Water Report Quiz from Page 8:
102 gallons per person per day.

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How Can I Help This Month?

By Tonie Hilligoss

Thanks to all of you who are helping transform the old Masonic Lodge into the Camptonville Community Center. We've met several of our goals, and here are our new and ongoing requests for this fall:

- **A backhoe with an operator** willing to donate a few hours to prepare the hillside for the new Community Center sign
- **Volunteers to work on renovating the building** to incorporate the Leland K. Pauly Museum (date to be announced)
- **Volunteers to help collect rocks** for the hillside community center sign (date to be announced for a rock collecting party)

Rita Ortega is our Volunteer Coordinator and can be reached at 288-3421 or ritaortega4@gmail.com.

The Community Center has its own checking account now, so donation checks can be made out to:

Camptonville Community Center

and mailed to: *CCSD, PO Box 327, Camptonville, CA 95922.*

Questions about donations can be directed to Char Jokerst (288-9320 or rubycj@att.net) or Tonie Hilligoss (288-3451 or thilligoss@mac.com).

We're making progress because so many of you have volunteered your time and resources. Please continue to support us as we finish the transformation process. Thank you!

A Tale of Romantic Robbery

By Stephanie Korney,
Camptonville Historical
Society

On August 1st, the
Camptonville Historical

Society welcomed Lee Dummel, Old West historian and re-enactor, and his presentation of "The Bride and the Brigand." An enthusiastic crowd heard the romantic tale of a mail-order bride who discovers the man she is to marry is actually a notorious stagecoach robber.

Mr. Dummel, whose re-enactment also included a story about legendary outlaw, Tom Bell, performed the romantic story complete with costume, gun, and historical accuracy. As both robberies took place near Camptonville, all who attended the event learned a little more about the dramatic history of our area, and enjoyed the new Community Center venue!



Those First 5 Years are So Important!

By Yakshi Vadeboncoeur, 1,2,3 Grow Director

Family, friends, school, community – that web of important relationships that make us feel supported, understood, connected, and empowered – the foundation for these relationships is forged in the first few years of life. And because so much of this formative work is done during our preverbal infancy, it is both very powerful and mainly hidden from our view.

The newborn whose cries are responded to and whose needs are met; the infant whose smiles and coos are mirrored back, whose daily routine is accompanied by parental voices and stories; the toddler who feels supported in her efforts, explorations, successes, and failures – these children are filling a great underground aquifer with trust, strength, and resilience. The inestimable value of these early childhood experiences is why I am so committed to 1,2,3 Grow and other quality preschool programs for all children. Children will draw from this reservoir throughout their lives.

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Here in Camptonville, we're aware of the ongoing drought and how it affects us all. Fortunately, among many, there is a similar awareness of how important it is to help children have full and unpolluted emotional aquifers, wide rivers of words to swim in and find ways to express themselves, and stimulating environments through which they can safely explore their world with an ever expanding supportive community. Together we can find the ways and resources to meet the developmental needs of our youngest children.

Social development is inseparable from emotional development, and both feed and support later academic success. The quality time; the loving relationships; the human mirrors that reflect back to our little ones just how much they are valued; these are all deposits in a reservoir that, yes, they will draw upon their whole lives. But so, too, will we all. This is the well spring that nurtures community and that feeds the roots of our belief that we have something to offer our world. And that offering makes an impact on all our relations – at home, at school, at work, and in the wider community.

90% of a child's brain develops in the First 5 years of life.
Imagine what we're developing in 1,2,3 Grow!




About First 5 California

Proposition 10 was approved by California voters in 1998 and established the California Children and Families Commission, known as First 5 California. It authorized the establishment of county commissions in all 58 California counties. Prop 10 generates approximately \$450 million annually from tax on cigarettes and other tobacco products. First 5 California uses 20 percent of the annual revenues for statewide parent education efforts and administration. The remaining 80 percent is divided among county commissions, with county birth rates used to determine annual funding allocations. Yuba County's Commission is called **First 5 Yuba**.



First 5 Yuba's on-going support and partial funding for 1,2,3 Grow has enabled CCP and Camptonville volunteers to provide a quality program for our 0-5 year olds, their parents, and families. *Thank you!*



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Mandatory Vaccination Law - SB 277

By Catie Pazandak

In May, SB 277 passed in the California Senate. This bill removes personal belief vaccination exemption rights from parents, whether their child attends public or private school (including some home schools). If you'd like to know more about the petition being circulated to overturn this bill, contact me at 530-615-6606 or harvestingvitality@gmail.com. Further Referendum information is at <http://sb277referendum.com/>

Text of the new immunization law SB 277 that takes effect in 2016 can be found at the California Legislative Information's website:
http://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=20150160SB277 -Editor

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"Where the Wild Things Are" - September 19th

By Ann Westling, Wildlife Rehabilitation and Release

Imagine a warm summer evening filled with the lilting sound of a hammered dulcimer, the aroma of enticing hors d'oeuvres and desserts, and the rich, velvety taste of an aged red wine, and you strolling through the beautiful nursery grounds or having your photo taken with one of the majestic birds of prey, called Wildlife Ambassadors.

The fifth annual "Where the Wild Things Are – Celebration and Benefit" for Wildlife Rehabilitation and Release will be held at Prospector's Nursery in Nevada City on **Saturday, September 19, from 6-9 pm**. Join the volunteers from Wildlife Rehabilitation and Release for one of the nicest evenings of the summer: combining wines, delectable nibbles, music, art, silent auction, raffle, and the Wildlife Ambassadors.

All money raised at this event provides for the needs of orphaned and injured native wildlife and their release back into the wild. Advance tickets - \$35, or \$60 for 2 (\$40 per ticket at the door). For Information: Joan Morton 477-8079; the WRR website: <http://www.cawildlife911.org>.

Yuba Patients Coalition Updates

By Yana Slade, Yuba Patients Coalition

From an article in the August 13, 2015 *Appeal Democrat*, by Eric Vodden (evodden@appealdemocrat.com):

"A Superior Court judge took under submission Thursday the question of whether Yuba County's ban on outdoor marijuana plants is a violation of the state constitution. This case was filed by the Yuba Patient Coalition. After listening to arguments on both sides, Yuba County Judge Benjamin Wirtshafter said he would rule in 60 days to whether Yuba County's ban on medical marijuana outdoor cultivation is in violation of state's rights."

From Eric Salerno, PAC: "Over the past six months we have been fighting in court to have our rights to grow medical marijuana upheld. Today (August 21) Judge Wirtshafter ruled in our favor on our demurrer argument. ... He wants to hear our amended arguments, so now we go to trial."

Two separate initiatives are being developed:

- 1) The Progressive Business Alliance's Initiative, which allows a certain amount of plants based on acreage. It includes procedures for registration fees for enforcement costs.
- 2) The Yuba Patients Coalition is working-up their proposed initiative and will begin collecting signatures in the fall.

Another separate initiative seeks a special election to halt the sale of ground water outside of the county. This was filed by two Camptonville residents. For further information, contact PAC at YubaPatientsCoalition.org.



BraveHeart, an American Kestrel, will be on hand to greet guests at "Where the Wild Things Are"

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The North San Juan Community Church

By Reverend Yvonne (Pinkie) Varner

The North San Juan Community Church has been here since June 28, 2014. We made history when a local couple was married on the church's parade float in the 2014 Cherry Festival Parade. We started out as *The First Traveling Church of North San Juan* until we found a home this February at the North San Juan Community Center.

Pastors Yvonne and Chad Varner deliver a musical service that will have your toes tapping and your minds spinning in wonder. We concentrate our sermonizing on the good message: the golden rule, and the basic message of *The Bible* – Be Nice! The sermonettes, given between contemporary, classic, and worldly music, lend poignancy to music and allow one to hear it in a whole new way.

The North San Juan Community Church has recently instituted two community outreach programs:

1. *Operation Feed the Ridge* offers non-perishable CARE packages to those in need. Donations of re-usable shopping bags for this mission would be greatly appreciated.
2. *Operation Number 2.0 Pencil* is raising money and pencils for local schools, so everyone gets new school supplies. The mission has gone so well that we have decided to continue to raise money and pencils and donate them quarterly to three local schools.

For more information about North San Juan Community Church, please call Reverend Varner at (530) 415-9705.

Help & Hope

For Emergencies.....First Call 911

(All area codes are 530, unless specified)

Camptonville Fire Department	288-3303
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
Camptonville Resource Center/CCP	288-9355
KVMR 89.5 FM	265-9555
KNCO News Talk 830 AM	272-3424
AA in Camptonville	288-1001
CoRR (Community Recovery Resources)	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)

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Expanded Urgent Care Services at WSMC

By Cheryl Rubin

Western Sierra Medical Clinic has expanded its Urgent Care service at the Grass Valley clinic for non-emergency treatment of minor illnesses, such as colds, flu, and kidney infections, and minor injuries, including back pain, cuts, and sprains. Hours are 7 am to 6 pm, Monday through Saturday. No appointment is needed, and all people are welcome, regardless of their income level. Most insurance plans will be accepted, including private, Veterans, Medicare, and Medi-Cal.

Patients with life-threatening injuries should go to the emergency room at Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital right away. WSMC is located at 844 Old Tunnel Road in Grass Valley.

Western Sierra
Medical Center
a california health center

Mobile Health Services

- urgent care -
- primary medical care -
- lab work -
- chronic conditions -

First Tuesday of the Month

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Camptonville Community Center

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SEPTEMBER 2015 Community Calendar

On-Line Calendar: www.camptonville/calendar/phb

- 3rd** "Real Parenting: Out of the Box Solutions" (Pg 4)
12th CVFD Annual Picnic (Pg 3)
12th Harvest Stew (Pg 3)
16th Public Hearing on Developer Fee Increase (Pg 4)
17th Biomass to Energy Community Meeting (Pg 4)
19th Moonshine Picnic (Pg 3)
19th Where the Wild Things Are (Pg 12)
1-30th The Art of Three Women (Pg 3)
Free Family Films, Friday & Saturday Nights (Pg 4)
School Calendar (Pg 9)

On-Going WEEKLY Events

- Tuesdays:** Organic Lunch, 12 pm, NSJ Center
Yoga, 5:30 pm, Camptonville School Gym
Camptonville 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, Camptonville Resource Center
- Fridays:** Bingo, 1st & 3rd Friday, 7 pm, NSJ Center
USDA Food Bank, 3rd Fri, 9-10:30 am, Dobbins Church
- Saturdays:** Gardeners' Market, 10-Noon, C'ville Community Center
- Sundays:** Open Mic, 1st & 3rd Sundays at Burgee Daves, 4-7 pm



On-Going MONTHLY Events

- CCP Board** - Meets 3rd Monday, 5 pm, Resource Center
Contact: 288-9355
- CCSD Board** - Meets 4th Monday, 7 pm, Camptonville School
Contact: 288-3421 or 288-3676
- WSMC Health Van** - 1st Tuesday, 10 am-3 pm,
Community Center. Contact: 289-3298
- School Board** - Meets 3rd Wednesday, 6 pm, at CV School
Contact: 288-3277