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Terry Riley and son, Gyan Riley

## Terry Riley's Sri Moonshine Music Series Presents Gyan Riley with Timba Harris as *Probosci* – Saturday, June 25th

By Richard Dickard

The Sri Moonshine Music Series is pleased to welcome back to Camptonville internationally renowned *guitartist* Gyan Riley. Gyan was born and raised in Camptonville, attended our small mountain Camptonville School, then went on to Nevada Union High School in Grass Valley.

It was obvious at an early age that Gyan had an amazing gift of music. How could he not, growing up in the musical environment of his father, Terry Riley. Gyan was the first full-scholarship guitar student at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. After graduation he toured as a classical guitar soloist throughout Europe, Canada, Latin America, and the U.S. He has performed with Zakir Hussain, Michael Manring, Mike Marshall, Dawn Upshaw, the San Francisco Symphony, the Falla Guitar Trio, the World Guitar Ensemble, and with his father, composer/pianist/vocalist Terry Riley. (Read more on [gyanriley.com](http://gyanriley.com))



Probosci

For this June 25th performance, Gyan brings the musical partnership, **Probosci**, in which he collaborates with France-based violinist **Timba Harris** (Secret Chiefs 3, Estradasphere). On **Probosci's** debut album, *Time to Feed* (Mimicry Records), they adventurously explore the sonic landscape, from purely acoustic music to unfamiliar electroacoustic textures, dancing between delicacy and aggression. Together, they have performed throughout Europe, South America, and North America.

The intimate performance venue at the Camptonville Community Center tends to sell out fast, so you might want to purchase your tickets early at [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com) or in

Camptonville at Burgee Dave's at The Mayo and Rebel Ridge Organics Nursery. Cost is \$25 or \$30 at the door, if available. Doors open at 6:30 pm, performance starts at 7:30 pm. Please join us for a remarkable evening in Camptonville!

### This just in from New York . . . Gyan Remembers Camptonville

"I remember walking down Cleveland Avenue after school to buy candy and hat pins (yep, remember those?) at the general store. Then one year Lost Luigi's opened up, gracing the community with a special kind of pizza - I can still recall the taste even today. During each of these pilgrimages, we walked by the old Masonic Lodge, silently wondering what went on in there, past or present (speculating and debating various rumors was fun). But I never imagined what might become of that space, and am thrilled that the local community has taken it over and turned it into such a great benefit to the surrounding area. Thanks guys for bringing this vision to life!

Timba (who is from California but now resides in France) and I are both greatly looking forward to bringing our music there. We'll be playing tunes from our first record *Time to Feed* (Mimicry Records) as well as breaking in a bunch of new material. Can't wait!" -Gyan

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## From The Editor

- Shirley DickKard

I once asked my Grandma Dot-Dot, who had grown up in a small farming community in the early 1900's, "What happened when someone had a crisis before we had welfare and social service organizations to help?"



"Well," she crossed her arms over her ample bosom. "If someone needed help—like them or not—we all pitched in. It's just what we did."

I thought of her words with the recent crisis where a family lost everything to a fire. Camptonville is sometimes described as "economically disadvantaged," yet in little over a week, people came together and raised thousands of dollars to help them get back on their feet. I'd say we are exceedingly rich in "caring."

In the 1990's, John McKnight (Director of Community Studies at Northwestern University, Illinois) visited our town. In his book "The Careless Society," he described how increasingly "caring" is relegated to professionals and institutions. He wrote: "We all know that community must be the center of our lives because it is only in community that we can be citizens, only in community we can find care. Only in community we can hear people singing. And if you listen carefully, you can hear the words: I care for you, because you are mine, and I am yours."

After Doc Willy's Bar burned down in 1999, *The Union* wrote an Opinion piece that ended: "But Camptonville has never been bound by silly rules that complicated big-city life. It's been a place where people see what needs to be done, and do it." (1/12/99)

## Coffee@Center

By Shirley DickKard

Coffee@Center is a great place to meet up! **Every Friday through June, from 8:30 am–noon**, the Community Center is open for you to drop in, have a cup of coffee or tea, nosh on homemade goodies, check out the Historical Museum, talk about what's on your mind, hold a meeting, whatever! It's an open space for anything that comes up, and each week is different. Call 288-9355 for information.



## Kindergarten Round-up – June 2nd

By Sandy Ross, Superintendent/Principal

If you have or know of a child who is ready for kindergarten in the 2016-2017 school year, please bring them to visit the classroom and pick up an enrollment packet on **Thursday, June 2nd, from 9:45 to 10:30 am.**

To be eligible for kindergarten, students must turn five years of age by September 2, 2016. Transitional kindergarten (TK) students must be turning five between September 2nd and December 2nd to enroll. The TK program is part of a blended classroom that serves K, 1, 2 students. Each student's academic and social needs are considered and met through a carefully planned curriculum with experienced, caring instructors. We look forward to your child joining our community of learners. Please call Camptonville School at 288-3277 for more information.

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## 1,2,3 Grow Graduation – June 2nd

Celebrate our Preschool Graduates on **Thursday, June 2nd, 6:30 pm in the school amphitheater.** Potluck to follow!

## Sign Language Class starts June 2nd

By Helene Riley

Starting **June 2nd**, I will be offering a free Sign Language Class on **Thursdays from 5:30–7 pm at the Community Center.** Everyone is welcome to come and see what they can say. The reason I want to teach sign language is to pass on a skill I have had since infancy. Both of my parents were deaf. For information, call me at 288-0726 (note corrected number). I hope to see you there! This is a Community Center event.

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## Fire Destroys Home in Camptonville

By Brandi Dudek, Chief, CVFD

Downtown Camptonville experienced a raging fire on May 6th that took seven hours to fully extinguish and three hours to mop up the next day. Sara Hedrick and her son, Owen, who work and go to school in Nevada County, lost their home, car, and all their belongings in the blaze. The fire was so hot that Camptonville's Fire Department continued to patrol the property for two days afterwards to make sure that buried embers did not rekindle. Fortunately, the home was empty at the time, and no one was hurt. Thanks to the efforts of the Camptonville, North San Juan, and Pike Volunteer Fire Departments, the fire did not spread to any of the neighboring properties. Credit should also be given to Char Jokerst and Bill and Barbara Ramirez, who provided food and coffee to the firefighters as they battled the blaze.



On May 20th, the Camptonville Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary hosted an impressive fundraiser to raise funds to help Sara and Owen start the difficult process of putting their lives back together. Over 150 people attended a spaghetti dinner and raffle to help them move forward with their lives. The community came together under the leadership of the Auxiliary and the Community Center, and the dinner was provided by donations and volunteer labor.

Disasters can happen to anyone, and we ask for your support in responding to this one. Camptonville is a community that helps its own, but it's a tiny town with a small population. If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation, please make your check payable to CVFDA with "Hedrick Fire Fund" on the memo line. Checks can be mailed to P.O. Box 37, Camptonville, CA 95922. You can also donate online at [gofundme.com](http://gofundme.com).



Photos: By Rod Bondurant

## Thank you, Camptonville!

By Sara Hedrick

Thank you, everyone, for all the support you have given Owen and me since we lost our home in the fire. All the firefighters and neighbors who showed up that night were awesome, and more people than I can name have been there for us since then. We were so touched by the response to last night's incredible fundraiser, and we know how fortunate we are to have grown up in such an amazing community. Owen and I will never be able to thank you enough, and we will always be grateful for your support. Thank you again for being there for us! - Sara

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## Thank You, Janie!

I'd like to thank my "alter-editor," Janie Kesselman for her eagle-eyed editorship and great competence in producing the April issue while I was away. I look forward to more issues from Janie in the future! – Shirley Dickard, Editor

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## Camptonville Country Faire – July 9th

By Barbara Ramirez, CCP

Are you ready for some fun? Save the date for the third annual Camptonville Country Faire on **Saturday, July 9th, from 2–5 pm**. Parade participants should line up at the fire station by 1:30 pm. I would like to see classic cars and equestrians join our parade this year!

The main site of the Faire will be at the Forest Service property as you come into town. The Community Center will also be open, and members of the Historical Society will be there to show off the beginnings of the History Museum.

If you are interested in having a booth to sell your wares (no fee), or would like to join the parade, please call me at 288-3392. This is a CCP sponsored event.

## Calling All Doodlers, Artists, Photographers!

By Shirley Dickard

This is a community newspaper, right? My goal is to have all the art and graphics created by people in the community – like little divider squiggles to separate sections, clip-art to illustrate articles, or photos/paintings of local flora, fauna, landmarks, or places that you love.

I will be developing a library of locally-created art and graphics that I can use throughout the year. If you would like to contribute something (even a doodle), please send to me at: [camptonvillecourier@gmail.com](mailto:camptonvillecourier@gmail.com) or call me at 288-3479.



## North San Juan Cherry Festival and Parade – June 25th

By Kimi Barnes



The 121st North San Juan Cherry Festival and Parade is on **Saturday, June 25th, starting at 10 am** with the downtown parade. This annual, historic, family event is free, handicap accessible, and just plain fun!

This year the Cherry Festival not only includes the historic parade, but also food for purchase from 11 am–3 pm, a pie eating contest, water balloons, face painting, cake walk, live entertainment from noon to 4 pm featuring special guest Dennis Jones, and loads of free things for kids. You can even get married at the Cherry Festival for free! For information, visit: [www.facebook.com/NSJCherryFestival](http://www.facebook.com/NSJCherryFestival), or call Kimi for vending at 478-1292.



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## Indian Valley Outpost Resort Celebrates!

By Dave and Karla Gardner

As we celebrate both our 1st Year Anniversary and the 100th Anniversary of the National Park Service, we will be hosting activities throughout the summer, including free outdoor movies at sundown on Friday and Saturday nights. Our website ([www.indianvalleyoutpostresort.com](http://www.indianvalleyoutpostresort.com)) is getting a makeover and will have a new activities page coming soon. You can also find us at [www.hwy49adventures.com](http://www.hwy49adventures.com) and Facebook. Many thanks to Camptonville for your continued support. And YES, the frosty ice creams will be back!

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**Connor Sanders**, son of Char and Mark Jokerst, enlisted in the Army National Guard in January, 2016, entered Boot Camp in February, there earning Marksman and Squad Leader accolades. Connor will graduate on June 3rd at Fort Benning, Georgia, where he reports, "It is pretty hot!"

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## Observations on the May 6th House Fire

By Mark Jokerst

I was present at the May 6th structure fire and came away with three thoughts I'd like to share. But first, despite the high-fives and back-slapping below, please know the tragedy of this fire: while no one was hurt, one of our families lost everything they owned, not to mention their warm cozy home. We hope for a good recovery and watch amazed as the town gathers itself together to help. That said, here's what I saw:

- As the former Fire Chief, I watched the CVFD Fire Department arrive in full force, get it together and knock the fire down as quickly as anyone could ever hope to expect. What a bunch of pros, and thanks so much for what you folks do!

- As the current *water guy*, we made sure there was plenty of water ready when the fire broke out, and the Fire Department was able to flow over 20,000 gallons of your water to knock down and extinguish the fire. Your tax dollars at work folks! That much water would have crippled the treatment plant just one year ago, but on this day, we didn't even blink: there was plenty more, if needed. I can't tell you how much this means! Actually, I can. Read on . . .

- As a neighbor from across and down the street a bit, I crawled out of bed to see what the dogs were barking about, and watched in horror as trees burst into flame across the street. That long night, two things kept going through my head. One, I've always said to myself, "There will be time to gather the important stuff before we flee." Wrong; there was no time; don't plan on it. Second, I kept saying, "Thank the heavens this is not September or October." I was torn: Do I stay home and defend, or go out and help?

It will happen someday. As a Fire Chief, this was my worst nightmare: it's the end of summer. Fall winds are blowing. It's cold, but has not rained for months. Wood stoves are lit for the first time. A house fire breaks out, quickly jumps into the vegetation and pretty soon the town is on fire. It can happen to any of us. What are we gonna do then? Are we ready? Think about it. Get your stuff in order and be ready. Support your Fire Department with your body, your wallet, or your heart. Keep your brush and trees trimmed and cleared. Keep your chimney clean. Be ready to pitch in. Be ready to flee. Harsh words? Yes, so let's hope they're never needed. We were warned. And remember this – just because you are awake, doesn't mean your neighbors are.



September 2015 • Bullards Bar Reservoir • April 2016

Photos: Shirley Dickard

The clouds stretch out over the  
sky like a bird spreading its  
wings. Blue flashes of lightning.  
Curling grass and darkening trees.  
Grey smoke rolls out of tired  
chimneys. Rain falls heavily  
on the ground washing away  
drought drop by drop. The rain  
shoots its arrows of piercing water  
at drought while lightning  
comes to close combat with  
dead grass. Dust and devastation  
flee with the threats of the  
heavy hail.

Mist rises up against the smoke  
as orange and red leaves bury the devastated areas  
where drought once ruled.

Fresh water rushes through the once dry and  
cracked streams

and the streets echo with the war cries  
of drought being defeated.

Rolling thunder shakes windows  
and announces victory.

Drought gives in and retreats  
in this epic battle field of drought and fall.

-Dakota Pratschner - 7th Grade

Enjoy more student poetry on page 8



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## Meet Your Local. . . CCP Executive Director and Rural Health Advocate – Cathy LeBlanc

By Linda Rose

For the past 15 years, Cathy's career with the Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP) has blossomed. Starting as a "welfare mom" with a "checkered" past, she volunteered in an office support position at the Resource Center where Shirley Dickard "discovered" her and asked if she would work with the Yuba Community Collaborative for Healthy Children. Cathy has since become CCP's Executive Director and Rural Health Advocate – titles well earned.

Cathy describes herself as a "Jill of All Trades," managing day-to-day programs such as 1, 2, 3 Grow, the Biomass Facility, writing and obtaining grant funding, and more. Cathy's commitment to rural health has resulted in grant funding for many community programs. She has given presentations at the federal, state, and local levels. In fact, she and three other "welfare moms," along with others from around the nation, were at the Capital in Washington DC to testify in support of welfare funding (Temporary Aid to Needy Families) just as the planes hit on 9/11.

What Cathy enjoys most about her job is listening to community concerns, bringing the community voice to the decision makers, working with the policy makers, and seeing the community get healthier. She loves being proactive and enjoys writing grants.

In her prior life, Cathy found herself raising three children on her own after her second husband, father of her children, was shot and killed. As a result of this dark period in her life, struggling as a single mother, Cathy developed a passion for designing programs supporting welfare reform, rural health, school wellness policies, and more.

Cathy has also served the community by helping develop the first Camptonville Courier in 1996; serving as a Twilight School Coordinator; driving a school bus for Headstart and Camptonville School; and starting the Yuba County CalWorks pilot project – "CanWORK in Camptonville" – a homespun approach to Welfare to Work that gave welfare families access to education and work training here in Camptonville. She is also the volunteer MC at the annual CVFD picnic.

At the age of 12, Cathy had her first ride on a Harley and developed a passion as a biker, falling in love with "being in the wind." While she never owned a bike of her own, she still rides whenever she gets the chance. About that same time she started playing guitar and writing songs, and now hosts Open Mic nights at Burgee Dave's at the Mayo.

Cathy has been a powerhouse for Camptonville, accomplishing much for the community. But of all her achievements, she says her greatest accomplishment is raising her wonderful children: Ruby Falcon and twins, Dakota Justin and Talon Case.

Before Cathy can look forward to retirement in a few years, she needs to find a replacement, perhaps from the next generation of people with a passion for the future of the Camptonville. Could that be you?



Cathy LeBlanc Photo by: Linda Rose

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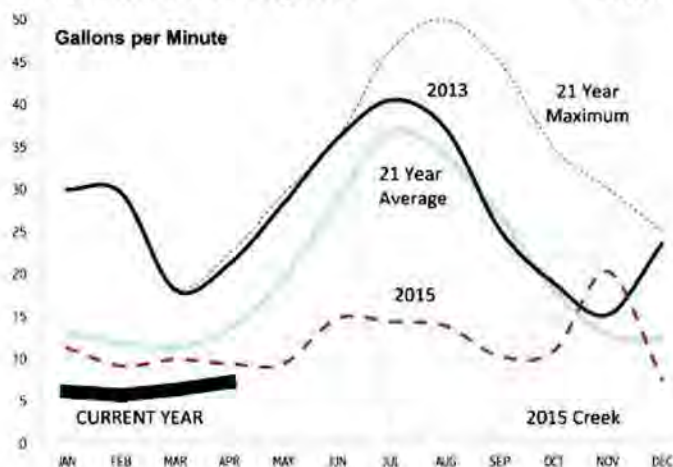


## The Drought, Our Water System, and Your Garden

By Mark Jokerst, Water Plant Manager

Let's begin with the Water System chart: I've revamped the chart a bit; hopefully it is less confusing, but it does give a lot of information. All curves express "Gallons per Minute" leaving the Treatment Plant compared to a time scale. Historic use is shown with a "21 Year Maximum," "21-Year Average," and with curves for 2013 and 2015. The current year is the thick bold line, which as you can see is below last year's heroic conservation efforts. If you look closely, you can also see a dotted line labeled "2015 Creek," which represents the flow over our dam. You can see that last year, around July, the flow over the dam went to zero. That is a drought! Right now, the curve is off the chart; we have plenty of water flowing over the dam BUT look again at 2015. Last year at this time, we had plenty of water flowing over the dam. It started crashing in June, and by July we were pumping the wells daily to keep up.

**Camptonville Water System 2016**



**Can we have a garden this year?** Yes, please do! And please keep on conserving! I wish I could provide a simple answer, but lacking a crystal ball, here is what is happening in a nut shell:

- The creek is running strong, and we should be in better shape than last year, but . . .
- We did not get a lot of snow in the creek watershed, saturated yes, but no snow pack per se, so . . .
- We will see how it goes, but . . .
- We now have a 220,000 gallon storage tank with another 100,000 gallons in storage in the plant, so we have a beautiful buffer that we didn't have last year, which means . . .
- You can use more water than last year, without compromising the treatment plant, but . . .

The drought is still SEVERE throughout California. The governor has extended the mandatory conservation regulations we had last year. This is sensible regulation. *(continued next column)*

*(Drought continued)*

The state as a whole must conserve and we will help. Let's look at what that means. First and foremost, we are required to reduce water use 25% from 2013 levels. Look again at the graph. Last year we reduced water use over 50% from 2013. We can use more water than last year and still meet the regulations. By the way, if we go over this year, there are penalties to the water system. Financial penalties. We must keep water use below 2013 levels. But wait, there's more. Like last year, there are some prohibitions:

- Letting water run off your yard during irrigation is prohibited.
- Using a hose without a shut-off nozzle while washing your car is prohibited.
- Using potable water to wash sidewalks and driveways is prohibited.
- Using potable water in a fountain is prohibited, unless it recirculates water.

So what can you do? If you let your garden die off last year, how about this year? Can you go back to watering like we used to? Not yet! Plan on a garden, go drip. Obviously, we will play this "by ear," and the Water Dept. will keep you informed. Please continue your most awesome efforts to conserve around the household.

- Don't let faucets flow like there's no tomorrow.
- Limit shower times, toilet flushing, teeth brushing etc.
- Check daily after dinner for hoses running, leaks, drips etc.
- Check your meter once a month for signs of a leak (see the box note below).
- Keep on reading *The Courier* for developing water news.

Coming Soon! Watch out for the "Water Gage" to be erected at the base of Cleveland Avenue for helpful data updated weekly.

### USING YOUR WATER METER TO TEST FOR LEAKS

Turn off all faucets, hoses, showers, washers, any running water, everything!

Don't close your main water valve!

Look at your Water Meter; Look for a spinning dial, see the photo's >>>

**If** the little dial is spinning, go back and make sure everything is turned off and check again. If still spinning, you have a leak and need to track it down. The faster it spins, the faster water is flowing





## Local Fourth Graders Visit Tahoe National Forest

By Cory Richardson, Recreation Technician, USFS

The Tahoe National Forest has been filled with excitement this spring. As snow melted, wildflowers bloomed, and families planned summer camping trips, there was something new afoot in the woods: 41 elementary students from Camptonville, Downieville, and Grizzly Hill Schools came to discover what their National Forest has to offer.

As part of the national *Every Kid in a Park* Program designed to connect young people to their public lands, local third through sixth grade students rotated through four discovery sessions hosted by Forest Service employees. In these sessions, they participated in interactive activities to discover how the geology, topography, flora and fauna of the Forest were interconnected and related to state-standard curricula in science, history, and even mathematics.



*Students connect physical science to physical landscapes as they learn about trees and discover how to use the earth's magnetic properties for navigation. Photos by USFS*

No matter your age, the Tahoe National Forest provides countless opportunities to connect to your public lands. This summer, resolve to be like the intrepid fourth-grade students from Nevada, Yuba, and Sierra Counties. Whether by car, bicycle, or kayak, come discover the value of your National Forest!



You  
are my  
diamond that  
memorized me  
to fall in love with you.  
At last I did.

-Taylor DeMaranville – 6th Grade

## Camptonville's Young Poets

I get shady just like earth's clouds,  
I get sick just like Middle Ages plague,  
I think as fast as some kids run the mile,  
I jump as high as the empire state of mind,  
I'm as shiny as a polished crystal,  
I fly as fast as the blue Angels,  
I am unique just like art,  
I get right to the point like a decimal,  
I'm as strong as Julius Caesar,  
I'm as weak as a bone,  
But hard just like the San Francisco bridge,  
I move a lot like I'm converged,  
I'm as rocky as Marin headlands,  
I'm gross like the gut book,  
But sweet like crushed m&m's,  
I'm as clumsy as Alice In Wonderland,  
But as careful as an acid test,  
I'm as scary as a mask,  
And groovy like rock n roll,  
I'm as dark as obsidian color,  
But filled with light just like the sun.  
Life's a coordinate plane and everyone is  
plotting their points,  
But some points shouldn't be plotted to  
everyone.

-Phoenix Bennett, 7th Grade

I'm the only one who can't make sense  
the only one who can't do who, what, when, where and why.  
The only one that is always in the tea pot,  
the only one who is always picking their toe jam.  
The only one that is on the spinny-roundy-spin jam.  
The only one who hits their head on their toast,  
the one that does not make sense.


-Julian Hull, 4th Grade



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## Thank You's from the Plant Sale

By Carolyn Mumm

Thank you to all the gardeners, helpers, vendors, and attendees at the May 14th Plant Sale and Flea Market. In spite of the date change, the event was well-received.



Photo By: Rod Bondurant

We would like to thank the many people who helped make this event possible: Scott Usedom (mowing the field), Anonymous (weed-eating the field), Rod Bondurant and Rochelle Bell (writing the Plant Sale news articles), Pam Wilcox and Stephanie Korney (flier design), Kenny Dorris (\$93 donation to Historical Society from local heritage tomato sales), and a special thanks to Scott and Molly Spackman for the use of the Rebel Ridge field. May your gardens grow well with the plants you bought, aided by the recent fine winter and spring rains.

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## Bat Rehabilitation Training - June 5th

By Ann Westling, WR&R

Are you fascinated with bats? Do you wish you knew more about them? Would you be interested in helping an injured or baby bat? An amazing training opportunity for potential bat rehabilitators will be held **Sunday, June 5th, 10 am-3 pm, in Grass Valley** sponsored by Wildlife Rehabilitation and Release (WR&R) and NorCal Bats. Cost is \$10 or \$5 for WR&R members. To register, contact Corky Quirk at [corkyseph@aol.com](mailto:corkyseph@aol.com). For information: [www.cawildlife911.org](http://www.cawildlife911.org) and [www.NorCalBats.org](http://www.NorCalBats.org).



## Yuba River Ranger Station News

By Bailey Cowell, Visitor Information Assistant, USFS

It's starting to feel a lot like summer! With all the day use areas and campgrounds open, it's a great time to enjoy the outdoors. Gold Lake Highway is now open, however, some of the roads off the highway are not cleared of snow and are not fully accessible.

**As of May 1st, door yard burn permits are required**, so call for the daily burn status in your county: Nevada County 274-7928, Sierra County 289-3662, and Yuba County 741-6299.

You must get fuelwood cutting permits prior to cutting: \$15 per cord, with a minimum of two cords. Always call before cutting to check fuelwood cutting activity level: 478-6176. We have many brochures and maps at the USFS station, so stop in for information before heading out.

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## What's Happening at the Community Center!

By Christina Ledson, Director

Wow! It felt like I blinked and the month of May came and went. The Center was full of activity all month long. Thank you to Sidonie and Molly for hosting **Coffee@Center** every Friday morning in May and June from 8:30 am–noon. It has been a wonderful gathering with great coffee and snacks!

We had to reschedule the George Brooks concert, but the **Sri Moonshine Music Series** is back in full swing this month with **Gyan Riley and Timba Harris on June 25th**. Tickets are on sale at [brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com), Rebel Ridge Organics, and Burgee Dave's @ the Mayo.

**Sign Language Class** will start this month at 5:30 pm on Thursdays. Hosted by Helene Riley, all ages are welcome.

We have been receiving **memberships to the Camptonville Community Center**. These memberships help keep the Center financially stable and able to continue offering free programs to the community. Membership forms are available at [Camptonville.com](http://Camptonville.com) and at the Center.

If you have any suggestions or questions please call me at 288-3655 or email: [christinaledson@gmail.com](mailto:christinaledson@gmail.com). For rental information you can contact Char Jokerst at [rubycj@att.net](mailto:rubycj@att.net). Thanks to all of you who have volunteered your time and resources to making the Community Center a place that can serve us all.



Sign Outside Community Center

Photo: S. Dickard

## How Can I Help This Month?

By Tonie Hilligoss

As promised, Robert Mumm has completed the first section of the wall outside the Center and has installed temporary lettering until the metal letters are ready to replace them. It looks fantastic and, when finished, will give the Center's sign a unique look reminiscent of the early days of mining. Much of the Lodge Room has been painted, but we've found termite damage that has to be addressed.

### Here's how you can help this month:

- **Volunteer to assist Robert** by helping him prepare the mortar mix and drill holes to help hold the rock to the wall (a task that requires no prior experience).
- **Join the Fix-It Crew.** Chris Dozier, Bob MacDonald, Jeff Murphy, and Norm Ross have dedicated much-appreciated time and effort to the Center, but they all have other commitments too. Please contact any of the people below or our Director, Christina Ledson, ([christinaledson@gmail.com](mailto:christinaledson@gmail.com) or 288-3655) if you would like to join them in maintaining the buildings and grounds, thereby helping the Center expand its ability to serve the local community.
- **Volunteer to work on renovating the building** to address the termite damage and incorporate the Leland K. Pauly Museum. The damage is in the same area of the building, and both projects are tentatively scheduled for September.

We are also interested in ideas for new programs and people willing to assume responsibility for them. **Coffee@Center** and **Sign Language Classes** are already on the books (see articles, page 2), and the Center is available for additional activities. If you would like help developing your idea, please contact Barbara Ramirez, Events and Programs Coordinator, at [efieb@att.net](mailto:efieb@att.net) or 288-3392. Rita Ortega, our Volunteer Coordinator, can be reached at 288-3421 or [ritaortega4@gmail.com](mailto:ritaortega4@gmail.com). Donations can be sent to CCSD, PO Box 327, Camptonville, 95922 with checks made out to Camptonville Community Center. All questions can be directed to Char Jokerst ([rubycj@att.net](mailto:rubycj@att.net) or 288-9320) or Tonie Hilligoss ([thilligoss@mac.com](mailto:thilligoss@mac.com) or 288-3451). Thanks again to everyone who is helping to create Camptonville's official Community Center!

## Looking to Save Our History

By Stephanie Korney, Camptonville Historical Society

Now that the Camptonville Historical Society has the beginnings of a museum, we are looking for photos, information, stories, etc. about local people from Camptonville's first days through the 1930s, 1940s, 1950s, etc. to feature in a series of revolving exhibits.

If you would like to share your photos and stories with the community and help us create a fuller picture of our town through the years, please contact Stephanie Korney

at [skorney9@gmail.com](mailto:skorney9@gmail.com) or 530-701-6378 or Rod Bondurant/Rochelle Bell at [rodonroadtrek@gmail.com](mailto:rodonroadtrek@gmail.com) or 288-3550 to talk about what you have and how the museum might display it or archive it for the future. Or you can send your submissions, thoughts, and ideas to the Camptonville Historical Society, PO Box 153, Camptonville, 95922.



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## Ruth Irene Tilton

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"Just do good things."

By Reverend Pinkie Varner

Ruth passed away gently on May 9th, in her home with her caregiver, great grandson, Chad Varner, and great great grandson, Marshall Varner, by her side. An original "Rosie the Riveter" and a Montana dude ranch chef, Ruth Tilton moved to North San Juan in

1971. She had two children, Rex and Reina.

Ruth was an avid gardener and an active volunteer in the NSJ Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, NSJ Community Center Food Bank Distribution – being the "bag lady" for over 40 years, The North Gold Senior Mountaineers, Native Daughters of the Golden West, NSJ United Methodist Church, and was the Matriarch of The NSJ Community Church. She was employed by the North Columbia Schoolhouse and NSJ Old Schoolhouse as a teacher for many years. Her devotion to the small community of North San Juan was exhibited by her having what she called "Tilton's Taxi" in her spare time – to take folks to get groceries or run errands.

Donations of money or food in Ruth Tilton's name may be made to the NSJ Community Church to begin a new outreach program, "Ruthie's Pantry." To make a donation, please call 415-9705.

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Camptonville:

- AA ——— 288-1001
- Elementary School ——— 288-3277
- Post Office ——— 288-3348
- Resource Center (CCP) ——— 288-9355
- USFS (Yuba River Ranger District) ——— 288-3231
- Vol. Fire Department ——— 288-3303

CoRR (Community Recovery Resources) ——— 273-9541

### Domestic Violence:

- Casa de Esperanza Hot Line (Yuba Co) — 674-2040
- DVSAC Crisis Line (Nevada Co) ——— 272-3467

KNCO 830 AM (Nevada Co) ——— 477-5626

KUBA 1600 AM (Yuba Co) ——— 673-5400

KVMR 89.5 FM (Nevada Co) ——— 265-9555

Legal Center for Seniors (Yuba) ——— 742-8289

Mental Health 24 hr Crisis Line (Yuba Co) — 673-8255

NAMI -Support for Mental Illness ——— 272-4566

OES - Office of Emergency Services (Yuba Co) 749-7520

PG&E Outage Line ——— 800-743-5000

Red Cross of NE California ——— 673-1460

Sheriff (Yuba Co)

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Supervisor Randy Fletcher (Yuba Co) ——— 749-7510

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## June School Calendar

- June 1 Principal's Excellent Attendance BBQ (Invitation Only), 11:50 am
- June 2 Kindergarten Round-up, 9:45–10:30 am
- June 6 Needs Assessment Surveys Due
- June 7 Awards Assembly, 8:45 am  
 Eighth Grade Graduation, Gym, 6 pm  
 Graduation Dance, 5th–8th grades, Gym, 7–9 pm
- June 8 Staff Development Minimum Day, 12:45 pm dismissal  
 Kindergarten Schedule, 8:25 am–12:45 pm  
 Site Council Meeting, 1 pm
- June 9 Lake Francis Picnic and Last Day of School
- June 22 School Board Meeting, 6 pm  
 Public Hearing for Proposed 2016-2017 Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) Budget and Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)
- June 27 School Board Meeting, 11 am  
 LCFF & LCAP Adoption



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**Remember to Vote Tuesday, June 7th!**  
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## JUNE 2016 Community Calendar

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

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**June 2 Sign Language Class starts (pg 2)**

**June 2 1,2,3 Grow Graduation (pg 2)**

**June 3 Coffee@Center (10,17,24-pg 2)**

**June 7 8th Grade Graduation**

**June 7 Vote - Election Day**

**June 25 Cherry Festival, NSJ (pg 4)**

**July 9 C'ville Country Faire (pg 4)**

### On-Going MONTHLY Events

**CCP Board** - Meets 2nd Tuesday, 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 Friday, 10 am–3 pm,  
 Community Center. Contact: 289-3298

**School Board** - Meets 3rd Wednesday, 6 pm, at CV School  
 Contact: 288-3277

### 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, 3rd Thurs, 8 am, NSJ Center  
 AA Meeting, 5:30–6:30 pm, C'ville Resource Center

**Fridays:** Bingo, 1st & 3rd Friday, 7 pm, NSJ Center  
 USDA Food Bank, 3rd Fri, 9–10:30 am, Dobbins Church

**Sundays:** Open Mic, 1st & 3rd Sundays at Burgee Daves, 4–7 pm