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Cathy, MC at the CVFD Picnic Raffle, 2016

## Dinner and Dessert Auction Benefit for One of Camptonville's Most Active Supporters – Saturday, October 1st

**By Tonie Hilligoss** 

As many of you know, **Cathy LeBlanc**, the Executive Director of Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP), is being treated for breast cancer. She originally anticipated returning to work by September 5th, and planned accordingly in order to meet her financial obligations. However, her treatment regimen has been intensified, and she won't be able to resume her duties at CCP until January.

Those of us who have had the pleasure of working with Cathy at CCP (and who have joined with her over the years as she has volunteered to lend a helping hand to others outside of her job) are stepping up to help her out in her moment of need. We invite you to join us for a dinner, raffle, and dessert auction to show our support for her during this challenging time.

On Saturday, October 1st, beginning at 4:30 pm, we will meet at the Camptonville Community Center to enjoy a dinner consisting of a baked potato bar with all the trimmings, chili beans, and green salad (served from 4:30 to around 6:30) for a \$10 donation.

This will be followed at about 6 pm by one of CCP's famous Dessert Auctions,

featuring the luscious creations of Camptonville's many talented pastry chefs, and

ending with the always exciting Raffle for specialty gifts donated by businesses in the greater community. This is such a fun event, with lots of excitement as the community comes together for a good cause and leaves feeling good inside, not just from the food, but also from the sense of fulfillment that is the result of helping someone who has done so much to make this community the

special place it is.

If you've never had the pleasure of attending one of CCP's Dessert Auctions, this is the one to introduce you to the experience. As the bidding revs up and excitement builds, the room is filled with laughter and howls of delight. CCP created a winner when they came up with this idea, and this is your opportunity to join in the excitement.

If you cannot attend yet want to help, checks with "Cathy" written on the memo line can be sent to Camptonville Community Partnership, a non-profit organization that can accept tax-deductible donations, at PO Box 218, Camptonville, CA 95922.

We hope to see you all there!





Cathy, revving up the bidding at the CCP Dessert Auction, March 2016 Photos by: Shirley DicKard

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## From the Editor

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#### - Shirley DicKard

Laying out The Courier each month is like taking multi-colored threads offered by contributors and weaving them into an issue that reflects our community. We estimate that only 600-700 people live here, but

really, what a lively, caring group. Just look through this October issue: benefits, fundraisers, and work parties; coffee, conversation, and singing; musings and observations; information and opportunities; classes and artistic creativity. I already have more lined up for the November issue.

You're invited to add to the new "Nature Watch" column, as each month we note the ever-changing world around us. This is the time of year when nature starts to fold inward lengthening nights, migrations, hibernations, dormancy. What will you watch for in November?



## **October Nature Watch**

#### **By Shirley DicKard**

- Sandhill Cranes return to the Sacramento Delta area. Listen for their unusual bubbling call high overhead.
- Birds to watch for: Northern Flickers, Fox Sparrows, White and Gold-Crowned Sparrows, Pine Siskins, Goldfinches, and other fall migratory birds.
- Waterfowl begin to arrive in Marysville's flooded rice fields.
- · Deer are rutting.
- Full (Hunter's) Moon: October 16th; New Moon: October 30th.
- Draconids Meteor Shower: October 6–10 (peaks October 8th). Best viewed right after sunset.
- Orionids Meteor Shower peaks October 21–22. Best viewed just after midnight and right before dusk.
- Fall harvest ready to be picked and preserved!

## **Debate Watching Parties at Burgee Dave's** October 9th and 19th

#### By Jesse Golden

Join your neighbors for a friendly gathering to watch the Presidential Debates between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump on Sunday, October 9th and Wednesday, October 19th, both at 6-7:30 pm, at Burgee Dave's in downtown Camptonville.

Burgee Dave's is normally open Thursdays-Sundays, so the opening on Wednesday 10/19 will be just for the debate, thanks to Brian. He has also promised to make original red-hued and blue-hued cocktails for the occasion!

## Sing-Along Saturday Morning October 22 at The Center

#### **By Jesse Golden**

Do you like to sing along? Join hosts Jesse Golden and Linda Brown for Coffee @ the Center on Saturday, October 22nd from 8:30-11 am. You're welcome to bring your favorite songbooks (or multiple copies of lyrics) and instruments. We'll do a song circle at a table in the Community Center, where each person can pick a song they'd like to sing together.

## Cemetery Researcher to Speak at Historical Society Meeting – October 30th

By Stephanie Korney,

**Camptonville Historical Society** 

Kathy Sedler, founder of yubaroots.com and an

experienced cemetery researcher and historian, will be the special guest at the Camptonville Historical Society's meeting on Sunday, October 30th, at the Community Center. We will have a short membership and business meeting at 2:30 pm, followed at 3 pm by our guest speaker. Kathy has documented and photographed most of the cemeteries in Yuba County and will share her experiences and expertise with us. We look forward to seeing you there! For information, call 701-6378.

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## Coffee @ The Center: Fridays or Saturdays?

#### **By Shirley DicKard**

Coffee @ The Center is fast becoming the community's new watering hole. During October, it will be held Saturday mornings, 8:30-11 am, but the organizers are thinking of switching back to Friday mornings starting November.

What do you think? Molly Spackman needs to hear from you. Drop by the bulletin board outside the Center and write a note about whether you prefer Fridays or Saturdays on the Hosting Sign-up Sheet.

Coffee Hosts are still needed for Saturdays in October: 1, 8, 15, and 29. Email Molly at scottandmollyspackman@gmail.com, call 288-3612, or just sign up on the Center's outside bulletin board.

## 1, 2, 3 Grow Is Back and Busy Exploring Our World



1,2,3 Grow, sponsored by the CCP and funded by generous grants from First5Yuba along with parent and community

By Yakshi Vadeboncoeur

grants from First5Yuba along with parent and community donations, is Camptonville's free Parent Participation Preschool. We've caught the tide and are sailing with a fair wind into the 2016-17 school year. Thanks to all parents and staff who have helped get the new year off to such a great start. Any preschoolers 0-5 years old in Camptonville and the surrounding communities are welcome to come join in the fun.

#### Weekly Schedule:

#### Tuesday, Thursday, Friday mornings, 9:30 am-12:30 pm

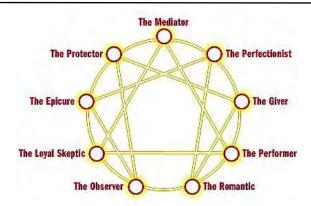
- Tuesday: School Readiness Program for children 3 1/2-5 years
- Thursday: All ages 0 to 5 years, Library Day
- Friday: Infant/Toddlers, newborns to 3 years old Important Exception to this schedule: Tuesday, October 4th,

is Camptonville School Picture Day! We will reverse the Tuesday/Thursday 1,2,3 Grow schedule that week. Tuesday will be for everybody, children 0 to 5, and Thursday will be the school readiness program. Parents are invited to have their preschooler's individual pictures taken on October 4th if they so desire, and we will have a class picture taken that day. Order forms will be sent home the preceding week.

(More for preschool parents on page 11)



Thank you to Maddie Gremillion, for creating most of the graphic artwork in this issue!



## Enneagram Introduction Workshop – October 9th

#### **By Jesse Golden**

On **Sunday**, **October 9th**, **from 3:30–5:30 pm**, Diane Pendola will lead a free, introductory workshop on the Enneagram at the **Camptonville Community Center**. This ancient system of personality types can help us recognize and eliminate barriers to change. It can deepen our capacity for freedom and self-awareness, as well as our empathy for others.

Many Camptonville residents have experienced Diane's Enneagram workshops. New and returning students are welcome at this workshop. You'll be introduced to the nine personality types and how to work with them, along with tools such as Gestalt Awareness Practice (GAP) to transform unconscious patterns of thinking and behavior. No preregistration is required.

Diane has taught the Enneagram for over 20 years for personal and workplace use. She uses the Enneagram as part of an integral approach to inner liberation with women serving life sentences at the Central California Women's Facility in Chowchilla.

There is no fee for this CCC-sponsored workshop, but donations to the Skyline Harvest Prison Project are appreciated. For further information, please email Diane at skyline@gotsky.com.



# Save the Date: November 6th is the Christmas Club Fall Brunch

#### By Donna Tate

Camptonville Christmas Club's Annual Fall Brunch will be on **Sunday, November 6th, from 10 am to Noon, at Rebel Ridge Organics,** weather permitting. More information to come at www.facebook.com/groups/Camptonville/ and in the November *Courier*. See you there!

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## More Mushrooms Please!

#### **By Stephanie Williams**

As the owner of *FunGalFarm* located here in Camptonville, I would like to thank everyone who has supported my



passion by purchasing mushrooms at the fabulous Camptonville Gardeners' Market this season. It has truly been my pleasure supplying them.

For those who have asked where you can get more mushrooms after the Market closes at the end of September, well, as long as weather permits, I will sell them at two locations: Coffee @ The Center, 9 am on Saturday mornings at the Community Center, and at Rebel Ridge Organics Nursery on Thursdays, 9 am to 5 pm. Again thanks for all your words of encouragement and praise. I appreciate it. *Tread lightly, live lively, and eat lots of mushrooms* – they're good for you!

## Community Meeting for Forest Biomass Business Center Update – October 20th By Regine Miller, CCP

CCP invites you to attend a Forest Biomass Business Center (FBBC) community meeting **Thursday**, **October 20th**, **from 6:30 to 8 pm at the Camptonville Community Center.** CCP will provide an overview of the project and an update on the developer search, ownership model, and permitting. All are encouraged to attend and provide their input.

CCP is pleased to share that, in collaboration with a highly qualified team of consultants, researchers, and technology providers, it recently submitted a Phase 1 application to the California Energy Commission's Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) grant program requesting funds for advanced emissions control and cooling system technologies for the planned biomass to energy facility. If the Phase 1 application passes the screening process, CCP will submit an expanded Phase 2 application in December. If awarded funding, the EPIC grant will provide up to five million dollars toward the bioenergy facility's design, equipment, and construction, and will significantly increase CCP's equity in the project.

CCP is currently advertising a project developer Request for Qualifications (RFQ). Responses to the RFQ were due 9/23, with interviews scheduled for October and final selection by mid-November. CCP anticipates working with the project developer to establish the facility's legal ownership entity later this fall.

Visit the project website and subscribe to posts for the latest information: http://sites.theccp.org/fbbc/. Questions? Contact Regine Miller regine@theccp.org or call CCP's Resource Center at 288-9355.

## Marijuana Measures – What Are They?

#### By Yana Slade

As we head toward legalization and regulation of marijuana, there are two measures that Camptonville will vote on this November. These issues can be confusing and complex, so here is some basic information. If you would like to talk with someone locally about these measures, feel free to contact me at 288-0618.

• California Proposition 64: This proposition, if approved, would make it legal for anyone over the age of 21 to grow, process, and use marijuana for nonmedical purposes with certain restrictions. The state would regulate and tax the growing and selling of medical and non-medical marijuana. For a non-partisan overview, check out: https://ballotpedia.org /California\_Proposition\_64,\_Marijuana\_Legalization\_(2016)

• Yuba County Measure E: This initiative focuses on the process of regulating the marijuana industry in Yuba County. If approved, this measure would align Yuba County with the regulations that Proposition 64 would establish, if Proposition 64 were approved. It does focus on curtailing big, illegal grows. For details, check out Measure E along with the other measures in Yuba County at: www.co.yuba.ca.us/departments/elections /current.aspx#measures .

Please vote by mail when your ballot arrives, or vote in person at Camptonville School on November 8th!



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## Monkey Mind: Is this PC?

#### **By Jesse Golden**

The monkey mind is a term sometimes used by the Buddha to describe the agitated, easily distracted, and incessantly moving behavior of ordinary human consciousness. As an ordinary human afflicted with monkey mind, I offer these thoughts for October. – Jesse



Monkey catching

Wikipedia)

reflection of the Moon, 1927 (Public domain,

As a new Camptonville resident, I'm so happy to see the many ways people are building

community – the *Courier*, the Community Center, the friendliness when I stop by the post office or Burgee Dave's. I get a sense of a tolerant, welcoming place. So I was puzzled, curious, and a little alarmed when I saw a Nevada City Peeps Facebook post in all caps - POLITICAL CORRECTNESS IS RUINING OUR COUNTRY, the woman wrote. What did she mean, I wondered, and why post this in a non-partisan neighborhood group?

My context for politically correct involves learning, for example, that it's politically correct to use the term women rather than, say, ladies or girls in political discussion, or to describe people as disabled rather than handicapped. It didn't seem like anything that could lead to ruin.

It seems that the meaning of being politically correct has morphed over the years from a relatively benign term for using courteous and inclusive language, to a national crisis, at least for some. Recently, a prominent politician, when accused of using insulting language, dismissed the criticisms with, "I don't frankly have time for total political correctness. And to be honest with you, this country doesn't have time either." So perhaps the term has also taken on a meaning of trivial discussion, or perhaps excessive sensitivity.

A new Pew Research Center study shows that 78% of Republicans and 37% of Democrats say that "too many people are easily offended," while 21% of Republicans and 61% of Democrats say that "people should be more careful to avoid offending others."

Whatever you think of political correctness, it does seem like simple survival smarts to be inclusive and tolerant in a small community like Camptonville.

In that spirit, you're invited to come watch all the Presidential Debates at Burgee Dave's on Monday, September 26; Sunday, October 9; and Wednesday October 19, from 6–7:30 pm. (Thanks, Brian, for opening up on a Monday and a Wednesday!) Want to bet on how many times in those debates we'll hear the phrase politically correct? Anybody?

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## Remember the June Primary?

#### By Rod Bondurant (aka the political geek)

Oh that... Seems like a long time ago, but I just discovered that Yuba County has detailed results on their web site. So, I explored (at the Yuba County Elections site-previous elections -statement of vote). Wow! Camptonville was sure excited and voted differently than the county trend. Our turnout was an astounding 71%; countywide was only 49%.

For Democrats:	Bernie	Hillary	<b>Everyone Else</b>	
Camptonville:	111	39	1	
County total:	2,771	2,388	132	
For Republicans:	Donald		Everyone Else	
Camptonville:	63		13	
County total:	5,289		1,088	

Note that in Camptonville, Democrats voting (151) outnumbered Republicans (79) while in the county overall, the two parties were about equally represented. For comparison, our more liberal neighbors in Nevada County had Bernie sweeping the county with 13,827 votes, Hillary at 8,175, and Donald at 12,050. Our often harder-to-classify neighbors in Sierra County gave Donald 531 votes, Bernie 297, and Hillary 224.

On our Measures A and B (Marijuana), Yuba County solidly rejected them, while our local vote was over 3:1 in favor.

So....in this very polarized election where so many have a rigid position already, the big question locally, and certainly nationwide is: What will the Bernie voters do? Stay home? Switch to Hillary? Hang on to your hat. It's gonna be wild.



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## This Month at the Community Center!

#### By Christina Ledson, Director

As each month comes and goes, I tell myself that next month should slow down and allow us to catch our breath. But that is not the case! Though the committee and volunteers are tired, it makes me smile to see that so much is happening at and for our Center.

Even as the Gardener's Market wraps up at the end of September, Coffee @ the Center will continue. It is so great to see all the different members of our community coming to catch up with one another. A huge thank you to those who have stepped up to host!

Jiu Jitsu has changed days to Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday, and is going strong with great attendance.

September brought some major aesthetic changes to the building. I want to thank all of our volunteers who came out to do the demolition for the termite damage, dry rot, and transformation to incorporate the Leland K Pauley Museum: Ted Ness, Jerry Ortega, Mark Jokerst, Cliff and Tonie Hiligoss, Rod Bondurant, Dick DicKard, Andrew Long, Jeff Murphy, and Christina Ledson. Char Jokerst and Rochelle Bell provided a first-class meal for everyone both days. Thank you also to JD Dirtworks for the use of their trailer so we could haul away all the debris, and to Fred Lacey for taking it to the dump. We have a huge vision for the Center, and with all the volunteers we are able to make it a reality!

As far as events, October will be a bit slow. Saturday, October 1st is a benefit for Cathy LeBlanc. She could really use our help, so please stop in for dinner, the dessert auction, and raffle, and show your support. Saturday, October 22nd, will be a sing-along during Coffee @ the Center.

We are working on some new concerts and dates for the 2017 Sri Moonshine Music Series. Stay tuned for announcements. The Center is always on the lookout for new programs. If you have an idea and would like to create a new program, please share your visions with us.

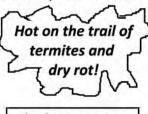


Have you become a Member of The Center yet? These memberships are crucial in helping us keep the forward momentum we currently have. There are five different levels, from \$50 up to \$500. Forms are available at the Center or contact me to get one.

If you have suggestions or questions please call Christina Ledson at 288-3655 or email christinaledson@gmail.com. A complete list of CCC Contact Information is on page 13.



Photos by: Char Jokerst



Thanks to everyone who has volunteered time and resources to make the Community Center a place that can serve us all!





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## Way to go Camptonville! A new record of \$7,000 raised at the CVFD Picnic!

#### By Donna Tate, CVFD Auxiliary

Prayers were answered last winter with much-needed rainfall that filled our reservoir and provided some relief to our drought stricken forests. It also appears that Mother Nature gave us another gift this summer... very little lightning. But remember, forest fires are not our only risk. We all shared the grief when one of our own lost their home in a devastating house fire this year. Even though they lost everything, praise and gratitude were given to our local fire department volunteers for their quick response and for preventing the fire from spreading to neighboring homes. Training and equipment are a continuous need to keep our Emergency Response Resources ready for all types of emergencies, from medical assistance to forest fires. Your support keeps them well trained and ready to respond... and boy did all of you show your support at this year's picnic!

The day of the picnic, September 10th, was magical and full of Camptonville spirit. Starting with the inspiration from our resident MC, Cathy LeBlanc, who found the strength to announce and entertain us while she is still recovering from breast cancer treatment, to the extraordinary entertainment from our local musicians, to watching the smiles and happy feet as our kids danced along with their families to our favorite band, *Sons of Boogie*, the spirit and pride was felt by all.

Special thanks to all the volunteers, both veterans and rookies, and a couple of *shout-outs* from the Auxiliary. First, to Joey Kelsey, the USFS Bullards Bar Recreation Manager, who built our Fire Department a custom barbeque trailer, as beautiful as it is functional. Next, to the Camptonville kids who volunteered to serve food. It is inspiring to see our youth giving back to their community. Then, to Yakshi, for putting together entertainment for our young ones (digging for precious jewels and dinosaurs was a big hit!) And mostly, to our Camptonville Volunteer Fire Department. *Thank you* for all you do to keep our community safe. See you all next year!



## Thanks From Our Fire Chief By Brandi Dudek, CVFD Fire Chief

Camptonville VFD would like to extend a huge *thank you* to all who came out and supported us at the picnic, and also to those who could not attend but still offered their support. Our Pink Ladies (Auxiliary women) did such an amazing job putting it together. So many others helped set up and clean up, and let's not forget the

amazing men who barbequed for hours in the heat. And what about the band member who won the big \$500 prize and donated it back to us? All I can say is, you are all outstanding!

Things are looking up: our roster is up to 18, including 3 new recruits and 2 cadets. Camptonville VFD was paged out for 7 calls this month: 1 vegetation fire, 3 MVA (Motor Vehicle/Motorcycle Accidents), 2 medicals, and 1 assist for a

tree down across a road. We are always looking for volunteers! Training is Tuesdays from 6–9 pm, with one night per month in NSJ for medical training. Stop by and check us out!







Photo by: Char Jokerst



We can also use volunteer support staff to help with paperwork, station maintenance, and other non-firefighter projects. If interested in donating time and being part of a great team, feel free to give your Chief a call at 288-3303.

Photos by: Shirley DicKard

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## Meet Your Local......Community Volunteer Extraordinaire – Rita Ortega

#### By Linda Rose

Volunteer is what Rita Ortega does; it's who she is. As a founder and for 25 years, one of the organizers of the annual Camptonville Volunteer Fire Department Picnic, Rita (along with Linda Haas who worked with her at Sierra Mountain Mills) came up with the idea and created the "Pink Ladies Auxiliary." That was 1988. Today, the organization has 10 members. Rita maintains notes and records of each event that are used in planning future ones. The Auxiliary as a group decides what needs to be done, and each member takes on tasks to make it happen. The Picnic has been very successful in generating needed funds. In the Picnic's first year, 1989, the goal was to raise enough money for one backboard. They raised \$3,000! Over the years the annual event raised enough money to fund the fire house that was built by community volunteers. Rita's other volunteer activities include serving on various boards: Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP); Camptonville Community Services District (CCSD); and the Joint Powers Agency (JPA).

Rita and husband, Jerry, moved to Camptonville in 1978 when Jerry, a Wildland Firefighter with the U.S. Forest Service, was transferred from the Los Padres National Forest. Moving to the "big trees" from open space was a culture shock for Rita, who now laughs at her original impression of living life as a pioneer on the "Little House on the Prairie." She baked bread, made jam (which she had never done) and wouldn't drive the "long" distance to Grass Valley in the winter. Living in the foothills was a totally different lifestyle than she was used to.

After relocating, Rita wanted to be a secretary, but had no experience, so she volunteered as a typist with the U.S. Forest Service. She later obtained secretarial/clerical jobs with various timber companies. In 2001, she was hired as Office Manager with the CCP. Rita learned a great deal about life skills working with the women of CCP. Cathy LeBlanc became her hero.

As the CCP Office Manager, Rita was responsible for all financial activities including payroll, monitoring grants, preparing reports, etc. – all with deadlines. Her sense of duty made it difficult for her to "get away" during certain times of the month. Consequently, she and Jerry were unable to do much traveling.

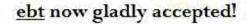
Rita is now retired and is very much enjoying her "freedom." For relaxation, Rita enjoys reading, or just sitting out on her deck watching the birds and other wildlife. She is looking forward to road trips with Jerry in the near future.

Family and community give her the most joy. She believes in "paying it forward" by helping the community through her volunteer activities. What she enjoys about Camptonville is the "powerful" sense of community; when a neighbor is having difficulty, everyone comes together to help. She loves her life as wife, mom, and grandma, and being able to be there and available for her family.



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## Lieutenant Governor Gavin Newsom Honors Camptonville-based Non-Profit

#### By Jesse Golden

Lieutenant Governor Gavin Newsom awarded a Certificate of Honor to the Lioness Tale Prison Project, headquartered in Camptonville, for its innovative program of transformation for women in prison. Newsom commended the project for its "ongoing commitment to provide hope and healing to women serving life sentences in maximum security prisons."

The Lioness Tale Prison Project (LiT-uPP) is a program of **Skyline Harvest**, a nonprofit organization founded and directed by Diane Pendola and Teresa Hahn. Since 2009, Diane has made frequent, 500-mile round trips to Chowchilla to help women who are serving life sentences at the Central California Women's Facility (CCWF) experience a program that includes meditation, Gestalt Awareness Practice, and the Enneagram. The project centers on Pendola's book *The Lioness Tale* as a metaphor for finding inner truth and meaningful lives in the context of long-term imprisonment.

The Certificate of Honor was issued by Lt. Gov. Newsom's office to recognize the August 18th graduation of the third class of program leaders, who will become



facilitators for other inmates. The program leaders take ownership of the program, helping other inmates with long-term sentences to live purposeful lives that positively impact prison culture. There are now over 300 women at CCWF who have participated, with a current waiting list of more than 200.

The project's web site, http://thelionesstale.org, includes descriptions of the experience by program participants. Participant Jackie wrote, "LiT-uPP changes lives, thinking, and hearts, creating safer communities inside prison walls and outside prison walls as well. It brings light to why negative and addictive behaviors develop, then healing to those behaviors. This journey through LiT-uPP is a must for anyone who wants loving-kindness in her own life." To learn more about the Lioness Tale Prison Project, visit http://thelionesstale.org.





Bullards Bar By Maddie Gremillion



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### Yuba River Ranger District News

By Kevin Kidd, Visitor Information Assistant, USFS

Congratulations to Terri Walsh, long-time resident of

Camptonville. Terri has been promoted to Regional Planning Team Silviculturist.

Weather is forecast to be sunny and warm for most of the month. Hunters and fall enthusiasts will be using campgrounds on a first-come, first-served basis. Our campgrounds at Bullards Bar will close October 15th, and the gates will be locked.

Backyard burn permits are still suspended in accordance with www.fire.ca.gov/fire\_protection/fire\_protection\_burnpermits.

Fire safety is still very important. The Forest is still in Fire Restrictions in accordance with Order No. 17-16-01, and you can only have a campfire in established campgrounds.

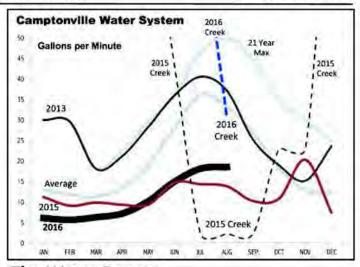
You must adhere to these guidelines for campfires: While the fire is burning, always keep a shovel and bucket of water nearby, and ensure there is a responsible person in attendance at all times. Never leave children around a fire unattended.

To completely extinguish an open campfire, use the "drown, stir and feel" method: drown the fire with water, then stir around the fire area with your shovel to wet any remaining embers and ash. Be sure to turn wood and coals over and wet all sides. Move some dirt onto the fire site and mix thoroughly to fully smother it. Finally, feel the area with the back of your hand to ensure nothing is still smoldering. See: www.preventwildfireca.org/Campfires.

**Fuelwood cutting information** is available at the Yuba River Ranger District Hotline **288-3231**. Be sure to check the day's Project Activity Level. Don't start a fire with your chainsaw!

Keep our bears (and people) safe. People who live in, or visit, bear country need to remember to keep all garbage sealed in airtight containers. Never keep food in your tent. Keep a clean camp by cleaning up and storing food and garbage immediately after meals. Put sealed containers in the trunk of your car if bear/food lockers are not available. If you put anything that has an odor in your car, be sure to use airtight containers and have the windows all the way up.





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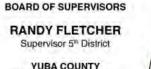
By Mark Jokerst, Operator and Manager, Camptonville Water Department, CCSD

Last month, we asked you to do some water conservation as the creek was beginning to taper off, and you've done it again. From the CCSD Water Department, our thanks for your efforts! The creek continues to supply our reduced needs, and we continue to share the water with our downstream wildlife friends. Right now, the creek is flowing about 30 gallons per minute, compared to our current draw of 10-15 gallons per minute.

The "other news" isn't as good. We have two standby wells, both of which worked hard last summer to meet our needs. We turned the wells on in early September, only to find out that one of the wells is not producing water. At this time, we don't know if the well is dry or if the pump is too tired. The other one, however, is working well and helping out when needed. Keep your fingers crossed!

The 2016 Creek flow has fallen low enough that it finally "appeared" on our chart. In previous months, the flow was over 50 gallons per minute so the graph did not appear. We're now in a downward trend as reported last month. The 2015 and 2016 creek flows both appear as dashed lines on the graph, and you can see that we're falling at the same rate as last year, just a month later.

Keep your guard up for leaks and dust off your rain dance gear!



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#### Parent Participation Preschool??

#### By Yakshi Vadeboncoeur, 1,2,3 Grow



Parents are a child's first, most enduring, and most influential teachers! Almost all of us have

had the truth and weighty responsibility of this statement driven deeply home to us the first time our little, monkey-see-monkey-do sponges start reproducing one of our own least admirable habits. Whoops! Guess I can't let myself say or do that quite so freely anymore!

Parenting teaches us at least as much about ourselves as it. does about the little people in our care. We're in this together and for the long haul. It's a whole lot easier and more satisfying when we are active participants - active and aware. It is a way for us to empower both our children and ourselves.

Our preschool is "parent participatory" because it could not exist without you sharing your toddlers, and sharing your time, skills, knowledge, and hard-won insights. It is "participatory" because life is participatory and because parenting is a social phenomenon and needs social support. Children are social beings. They need you, they need each other, and they need a healthy community in order to learn and to grow freely into their fullest selves.

So what does "Parent Participation" mean specifically in the 1,2,3 Grow context? It means that a parent or guardian is legally required to be on campus while their child is in class, according to State regulations. They do not, however, need to remain in the classroom. Of course, in the beginning, parents may feel this is a necessity. Is this place safe? Will my child be comfortable and happy here? Will she be cared for? And with infant/toddlers, even after you are reassured, his separation anxiety or basic needs may require that you stay.

That stage, however, will pass, and then what or where? The Resource Center and its computers are always an option for parents. The library is a quiet place with lots of books, some of which even need shelving for someone so inclined. Some parents walk the track and find a way to increase their daily exercise. Others volunteer in classrooms. You could be the parent who organizes a craft circle, reading club, or self-help/mutual support group. CCP and the Resource Center are there to help connect you to whatever resources you might need to make it happen. Your dreams and participation can make something new a reality, and we always need someone back in the classroom at snack time.

Oh, and for those of you sinking into doubt and dim-wittedness during a child's teen years, hang in there; you will rediscover your native intelligence and deepening wisdom in their eyes and in your own as they progress into their grown-up life.

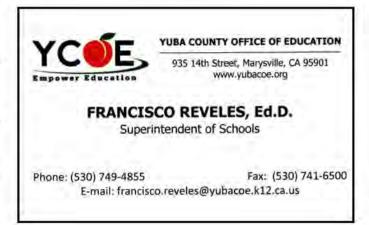
## October School Calendar

October 4	Picture Day			
October 11	Student Mock Election			
October 12	Awards Assembly, 8:45 am			
	Leadership Speeches and Elections, 9:30 am			
	Staff Develop. Min. Day, 12:45 pm dismissal			
	Kindergarten Schedule, 8:25 am-12:45 pm			
October 17-2	21 Fall Break (No School)			
October 25	Site Council Meeting, 3 pm			
October 26	Bishop's Pumpkin Farm (K, 1, 2) Field Trip			
October 26	School Board Meeting, 6 pm			
October 31	Halloween Parade and Celebration (All School)			
	-Time TBA			
Cougars	Flag Football Games			

Mount Saint Marys, 4 pm, at Oak Tree Field
Lyman Gilmore, 4 pm, at Oak Tree Field
Pleasant Valley, 4 pm, at Pleasant Valley
Clear Creek, 4 pm, at Oak Tree Field



Live each season as it passes; breathe the air, drink the drink, taste the fruit, and resign yourself to the influences of each. -Henry David Thoreau



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Services available at our health centers: Grass Valley, 844 Old Tunnel Rd. and Downieville, 209 Nevada St.

Primary Medical Care Urgent Care Lab Work Dental Behavioral Health\* Maternity Health with OB/GYN\* ... and more \*Grass Valley only

## For appointments: 530.274.9762

## Western Sierra Medical Clinic Welcomes Dr. Davies, OB/GYN

#### By Cheryl Rubin, WSMC

Dr. Jonathan Davies, Obstetrician and Gynecologist, has recently joined the Maternity Health Unit at Western Sierra Medical Clinic at the Grass Valley health center. Dr. Davies specializes in high-risk obstetrics, gynecology, advanced and non-invasive surgery, and infertility. He will be available several days a week at the Grass Valley location. For appointments, call 274-9762; for information about Western Sierra Medical Clinic: www.wsmcmed.org.

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## **HELP & HOPE**

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CA Rural Legal Assistance (Yuba Co)	742-5191
Camptonville:	
• AA	288-1001
Community Center Information ———	288-3655
Elementary School	288-3277
Post Office	288-3348
Resource Center (CCP)	288-9355
USFS (Yuba River Ranger District) —	288-3231
Vol. Fire Department	
CoRR (Community Recovery Resources)	
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)	
KVMR 89.5 FM (Nevada Co)	
Legal Center for Seniors (Yuba)	742-8289
Mental Health 24 hr Crisis Line (Yuba Co)	
NAMI -Support for Mental Illness	272-4566
OES - Office of Emergency Services (Yuba Co)	
PG&E Outage Line 800	
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