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Come Celebrate The Courier's 20th Year! April 1st

*No foolin'! April 2017 marks the 20th Anniversary of
The Camptonville Courier's first issue – April 1997,
and we're inviting you to help us celebrate!*

***Brunch with The Courier
Saturday, April 1st, 9 to 11 am, at the Community Center***

The popular Coffee @ The Center will be transformed into a Celebration of our 20th Anniversary. Brunch begins at 9 am. The Celebration kicks-off at 10 am with a toast (mimosas, juice, coffee) and a presentation by Courier staff who will walk us through a timeline highlighting 20 years of Camptonville's history from *The Courier* archives. There will be awards, special guests, tributes, and mementos.

Who are we going to honor? All the volunteers who have worked to put out the monthly issues since 1997, the six people who've done the heavy lifting as Editors, our *Fab Four Advertisers* who've been with us since the very first issue (can you guess which businesses?), and You – the community that has kept our little paper vital with your contributions of articles, art, ads, subscriptions, and tax-deductible donations. Thank you!

We think it's amazing for a small town of about 650 folks to have kept its little monthly newspaper going for 20 years. We hope you'll join us on April 1st to help launch the next 20 years of the community newspaper from "The Little Town That Could."



What magic are
Terry Riley and John Deaderick
conjuring up for their **April 15th**
Sri Moonshine performance
Keyboards and Vocal Chords?



*Piano improvisations, readings, new songs, old standards,
monologues, cool narrations, and of course, selections from
The St. Aldolf Ring. Read more on Page 3.*



Photos by Richard DickKard

From the Editor

– Shirley DicKard

How do you select the highlights from 20 years of *Courier* archives? Tasked with this job, Rod Bondurant, Rochelle Bell, and I spent hours poring through nearly 240 issues to select pages of honors, traditions, personalities, creativity, and stories of our little town. *The Courier* has been, and will continue to be, a record of who we are and how we live. These will all be displayed at our **20th Anniversary Brunch with The Courier on April 1st, 9-11 am at the Community Center.**

While *The Courier* retains much of its original simple, brown-paper-wrapper flavor from 1997, it has also evolved to reflect the ever-changing concerns of our place, times, and population.

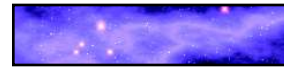
Over the 20 years, six Editors have held the reins: Roger Rapp, Rod Bondurant, the Ruff Family, Diane Winslow, Nicole Mizener, and now myself. Each Editor has added his or her touch. When I volunteered in January 2014, I said I would only serve if I had a team of trusted staff and volunteers to work with. And that I have! In addition to volunteers, our loyal advertisers and generous donors have enabled us to be self-sustaining for all 20 years.

Come on by the Celebration – you'll be proud of what our *Little Town That Could* has accomplished.



2nd Sunday Film Series: April 9th at 4 pm *Journey of the Universe*

By Jesse Golden



News flash: Second Sunday films will take a break after the April film and return in September!

For the **April 9th** Second Sunday film, we're thinking big – REALLY big. *Journey of the Universe* tells an epic story of cosmic, earth, and human transformation from the Big Bang to today, a film that "fills one with the wonder that is life." Winner of the 2012 San Francisco/Northern California regional Emmy® Award for Best Documentary, the film is 56 minutes, leaving time for discussion afterwards.

Acclaimed author and evolutionary philosopher Brian Thomas Swimme uses his skills as a masterful storyteller to connect big-picture issues. From the Big Bang to the impact humans have on the planet today, this film is designed to inspire a new and closer relationship with Earth in a period of growing environmental and social crisis.

We'll serve popcorn and beverages. Suggested donation is \$5-20, benefiting the Camptonville Community Center. Following the film, you're invited to participate in a listening activity, in which we partner-up to share and listen to each other's responses to the film. This simple deep listening exercise can be powerful and inspiring in itself.

The 2nd Sunday Film Series is located at, and sponsored by, the Camptonville Community Center, presenting films to inspire, encourage, and inform. Film selections and opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the CCC, its members, donors, or funders.

For more information, call Jesse at 285-0330. Please visit www.facebook.com/camptonvillefilms to comment or make a suggestion for films you'd like to see.

**Mark your Calendars for April 15th
Easter Egg Hunt and Breakfast**
Breakfast starts at 8:30 am
Egg Hunts begin at 9 am
See page 4 for details.



Camptonville's Plant Sale – May 20th

By Carolyn Mumm



Mark your calendars: **Saturday, May 20, 9:30 am – 2:30 pm at the Rebel Ridge Market Field.** After this year, I will be stepping down from facilitating the Plant Sale, so please call me if you are interested in helping or taking over next year.

The beginning of April is still an excellent time for starting vegetable and flower seedlings to sell at our market and for our own gardens. Heads up: Kenny Dorris will again be selling the unique Leland Pauly and Archie's Good Eating Tomatoes. More information on all the vendors in the May *Courier*!

May 1st is the deadline for paying the \$15-per-space rental for plants, food, and flea market vendors. Call me at 288-3424 to reserve and to offer to help.

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Sri Moonshine Presents: Keyboards and Vocal Chords - April 15th

By John Deaderick

Imagine if you will, that you are a folk musician and a big fan of, say, Joan Baez, and she asks you to perform with her! Or you're a rock n' roller and you get the nod from Sir Paul McCartney. Such was my delight in the summer of '92 when I got the call from Terry Riley, whose great admirer I was and remain. I was at Stanford on a post-grad Fellowship in Greek Tragedy when Terry and Mikail Graham bade me go to the library and check out Swiss artist Adolf Wölfli to see if I'd be interested in working on a show about him. Granted, I would have been overjoyed no matter the subject, but the Wölfli work proved to be incredibly inspiring.



Photo by Richard Dickard



Photos by Richard Dickard

Move ahead 25 years to the now, after performances in L.A., Atlanta, France, and Switzerland, Terry and I will present a concert version of selections from The St. Adolf Ring. For Terry aficionados, the work has achieved a near mythic status, largely because so few have seen it! There are no recordings, though Terry has adapted, performed, and recorded a few excerpts for solo piano. There is a longer piece on Terry's release Atlantis Nath that includes my vocal, but that's about it. So our **April 15** show at the Community Center, **Keyboards and Vocal Chords**, will offer a rare and possibly final glimpse into this "lost" work. The St. Adolf Ring offers joy, pathos, and ecstatic flights of imagination as it explores the nature of Divine inspiration and the fine line between genius and madness. And I think this is some of the most beautiful music Terry has ever written.

But as they say, that's not the half of it, for **Keyboards and Vocal Chords** isn't just about the Wölfli selections. Much of the show will feature Terry's notable piano improvisations with new songs, old standards, and cool narrations. Sometimes we'll be working together and sometimes we'll be going it alone. I'll be offering readings, monologues, and, who knows, I might even sing . . . but that's no reason to stay away! Please join Terry and me in this cozy and acoustically warm venue for an evening of fun, musical virtuosity, and theatrical highjinks!

Doors open at 6 pm, concert begins at 7 pm. Even more details are on Page 4.

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This Month at the Community Center!

By Christina Ledson, Director

Egg Hunt and Breakfast - April 15th

April 15th is a big day this month at the Community Center. We will be hosting our 3rd annual **Easter Egg Hunt and Breakfast starting at 8:30 am**. This is so much fun and the kids love it. We have made a few changes to simplify things this year because there will also be a Terry Riley concert in the evening. **The first hunt begins at 9 am with the 0-5 year olds, 9:20 am for the 6-9 year olds, and the 10-12 year olds start at 9:40 am**. There is a golden ticket in each age group for a special prize. Breakfast is \$10 and will be served from 8:30 to 11 am or until all the food is gone. Instead of pancakes, we will have a French toast bake, various quiches, breakfast casserole, fruit salad, OJ, coffee, and new this year, a Bloody Mary bar for the adults. Also new this year: children 12 and under eat free with a paying adult! Bring your baskets and your appetites.



Sri Moonshine Music Concert - April 15th

On the evening of the 15th, we have the first concert in our Sri Moonshine Music Series, **Keyboards and Vocal Chords**, with Camptonville's very own Terry Riley and John Deaderick. This will be a great show. Tickets are being sold through brownpapertickets.com, Rebel Ridge Organics, and Burgee Dave's at The Mayo for \$25 each, or \$20 for CCC members. Burgee Dave's is offering an express menu option to get you to the show on time, and we will also have Fatty's Fine Foods on-site selling their fantastic tacos. The doors open at 6 pm and the show begins at 7 pm. See page 3 for a description of the concert.

We are offering a bulk ticket discount for anyone who is planning on attending all 6 concerts. The discounted rate is \$135, or \$105 for members. This option is only available until April 14th. Please visit brownpapertickets.com for more information.



Gyan and Terry Riley's March 4th Benefit Concert

On March 4th, The Center hosted **An Evening Under the Moonshine Benefit Concert** with Terry and Gyan Riley. It was a fantastic show. Thank you Terry and Gyan for helping us raise some much needed money to continue renovating the building. It gave us an opportunity to show off all the progress that has been made. There are not enough words to thank all who donated countless hours to get the building ready for the concert. It was an intimate and elegant evening with outstanding food, beverages, and music. Thank you to the staff that helped pull the evening off without a hitch and to all who attended. We raised close to \$2,000!



Photos by Rod Bondurant and Shirley Dickard

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

Spring is here!

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"They're divine.
I need some
more of those!"

Celebrate Earth Day at Oak Tree - April 23rd

By Diana Pasquini, San Juan Ridge Family Resource Center

On Sunday, April 23, 1-9 pm, the San Juan Ridge Family Resource Center will be hosting an **Earth Day Celebration** with fun for the whole family! This annual event will include music, food and beverages, bake sale, children's activities, vendors, a silent art auction, a raffle for local goods and services, and more. In addition to raising funds to support children's summer camps and activities at the FRC, this gathering is an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the great beauty and diversity of life on the planet we all share. If you are interested in vending or would like more information, please call the FRC at 292-3174. All FRC events on the Oak Tree School Campus (18847 Oak Tree Rd. North San Juan) are smoke and alcohol free.



Coffee Hosting Calendar

April 1 - Shirley/Courier 20th Anniversary Brunch
 April 8 - Joshua
 April 22 & 29 - **Hosts needed**
 May 6, 13, 20, 27 - **Hosts needed**
 Please call Molly at 288-3612 if you can host a Saturday Coffee.

April Camptonville School Calendar

April 5 Awards Assembly, 8:45 am
 Staff Development Min. Day, 12:45 pm dismissal
 Kindergarten Schedule, 8:25 am-12:45 pm
 April 10-14 Spring Break
 April 18-21 Shady Creek Field Trip (6th grade)
 April 19 School Board Meeting, 6 pm
 April 20-21 Malakoff Diggins ELP Field Trip (3rd-5th grades)
 May 19 Talent Show, 5 pm, Rebel Ridge Organics
 Alternative time and location will be announced in case of bad weather.

May 19th Talent & Trash Fashion Show

By Sandy Ross, Principal/Superintendent

Mark your calendar for a rocking family evening of Camptonville's best talent: **Friday, May 19th**. Club Live's Student Body sponsors the event to support the school's Music Education Program. Our music teacher Sage Po has promised to treat us with her magical harp playing. We are reaching out to other family-friendly musicians, performers, and designers in the community who would like to share their gifts and help us raise money to support our music education. If you're interested in performing or modeling trash fashion, call Pam or Sandy at 288-3277.

April Happenings with the Parents Club

By Molly Spackman

- Box Tops:** This month Camptonville collected and submitted 154 Box Tops, bringing the year's total up to 840. Each box top brings in 10¢ to benefit our students' programs. Thank you everyone; you definitely make a difference! The collection can in the Post Office has been moved to the Community Center.
- Family Fun Movie Night:** We will play two movies on **Friday, March 31st** at the school, with the movie for younger children in the gym, and another PG13-rated movie in Room One. Movie selections TBA. The chili dinner begins at 5 pm and movies begin at 6 pm - all for a \$7 donation. Popcorn and soda can be purchased for \$1. You may bring a pillow, blanket, or chair to be comfortable while you and your kids enjoy the show. Children must be accompanied by an adult.
- Raffle at the Plant Sale:** We will be selling lemonade and the last raffle tickets at the **May 20th Plant Sale** to "meet" our goal of \$5,000. We began this fundraiser last year to buy free range beef for the cafeteria. The raffle will be at 12 noon and five \$100 prizes will be given away. Each raffle ticket costs \$10.
- Next Parents Club Meeting: Wednesday, April 5, at 8 am in the school library** before the Awards Ceremony. We still only have a few parents representing the younger grades.





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Meet Your Local Volunteer Firefighter – Jim Esry

By Linda Rose

Many local residents already know Jim Esry. He's been fighting fires and responding to vehicle accidents, medical, and other emergencies for the past 17 years. He joined the Camptonville Volunteer Fire Department (CVFD) in 1999, after retiring from his career as a truck driver. Seventeen years with CVFD has earned Jim seniority status. Very passionate about his work, Jim loves helping people and his community. He thrives on the adrenaline rush he feels when responding to emergencies.

As a First Responder, Jim responds to all emergencies with dedication and compassion. He is certified by the Red Cross to perform CPR and "package up" the injured for transport by ambulance or helicopter. First Responders must complete refresher classes every two years to maintain the CPR certification.

Jim is also licensed by the DMV to drive the big fire engine and water tenders, and must complete annual driver training in order to retain his licensed status. He trains other firefighters on the use of the numerous valves and hoses on the fire engine. He also participates in training new firefighters on all other hands-on emergency procedures.

Born in Santa Cruz and raised in Sunnyvale, Jim spent much of his youth on the Santa Cruz Boardwalk. His mother worked at the Coconut Grove Penny Arcade/Ballroom.

While she worked, his father, who operated the Merry-Go-Round, took Jim to work with him. Jim spent his time in a "cage" above the Monkey Ring and dropped the rings picked by riders back into the Monkey's mouth through a slot.

Jim moved his family to Camptonville 47 years ago after he and his wife at the time drove through the area. They decided this was the place they wanted to live. Returning home to Campbell, they packed their bags and, within two weeks, moved to Camptonville. Jim has never regretted the move. His two children both attended Camptonville School. Daughter, Ginger, a United Airlines flight attendant, lives in Grass Valley. Son, Bryon, works for the Union Pacific Railroad and lives in Antioch. Bryon was also a Camptonville Volunteer Firefighter and worked for the CA Department of Forestry before moving out of the area.

During fire season, Jim contracts with Cal Fire and Department of Forestry and uses the water tender that he and Ginger co-own. He also brings the water tender to the annual parade in Camptonville, offering rides to children.

Jim's passion for helping others is further demonstrated by his volunteer work with the Nevada County Food Bank. He estimates they feed about 150 people on a regular basis. The number increases considerably during *harvest* season when the "trimmigrants" are in the area.

Jim loves living in Camptonville and enjoys its close knit community. When a neighbor is having difficulty or there is an emergency, everyone comes together to help. And you can be assured Jim will be there first.



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Hotshot Half Marathon – April 8th

From <http://hotshothalf.com>

Come join the fire community on **Saturday, April 8th**, for a beautiful 14.5 mile trail run along Bullards Bar Reservoir, hosted by the Tahoe Hotshots. The 3rd Annual Hotshot Half is a fundraiser tribute for fallen firefighter and beloved friend Mike Kelly. There will be three fully stocked aid stations manned by local fire departments, Forest Service employees, and Camptonville community members. There will be a hearty plate of warm food and an award at the finish line for all participants. 100% of the money raised will go to the Wildland Firefighter Foundation and the North San Juan and Camptonville Volunteer Fire Departments. More information can be found at <http://hotshothalf.com>, or by calling the Yuba River Ranger District at 288-3231.

The Yuba River Ranger District Report

By Kevin Kidd, Visitor Information Assistant

"April comes like an idiot, babbling and strewing flowers." - Edna St. Vincent Millay



Has spring really sprung? Time to gear up, get out, and enjoy the new look of our rivers, lakes, and streams. Bullards Bar campgrounds open April 15th. Reservations are required through Emerald Cove Marina, 692-3200. The hiking/biking trails took quite a beating, but are open. Watch for recently fallen trees. Come out and support the Hot Shot Half Marathon, April 8, 8:30 am, Vista Point Road, Bullards Bar.

Oregon Creek Day Use opens May 1st. Three Highway 49 campgrounds should be open May 1st, and hopefully several others will be open by then as well. Whitecloud campground also opens May 1st. Services will be provided and fees are required. All campgrounds will be Walk-Up, (first come, first served) until the reservations system kicks in sometime between Memorial Day and early June (depending on specific campground conditions). Check www.recreation.gov for reservation details.

Now that we are coming into some clear days, it may be a good time to maintain defensible space around your house. Burn permits are not currently required to burn natural vegetation from your property, but be sure to call 741-6299 for daily Yuba County Burn Day information.

As of the 27th, March precipitation is 7.55 inches, bringing the season total to 103.08. The 2016 season total was 59.01.

"April hath put a spirit of youth in everything."

- William Shakespeare



Ethan Oakes, 3rd from right, and Yuba City Crew. Photo by Scott Oakes

Eagle Scout Repairs Bullards Bar Trail

By Scott Oakes

WOW!
Thank You
Ethan and Friends!!

Ethan Oakes, age 15, is a sophomore at Yuba City High School. He is a Scout working to get his Eagle Award. To achieve the Eagle Award, he has to do an "Eagle Project," which is a project of large proportions (not just cleaning up trash, etc.). Since Ethan and his family come up to Bullards for wakeboarding and mountain biking often, it was natural that he do a project relating to a place he loves.

Due to heavy rains, many parts of the Bullards Bar Trail have major erosion damage. Coordinating with Paul Hart of the local USFS Yuba River Ranger District, we decided to build a new "bypass" around the eroded area on the west portion of the Bullards Bar Trail. In all we cut 300 feet of new trail that completely bypassed the dangerous trail. Now hikers, runners, horses, and cyclists can safely navigate the west end of the trail with no worries about eroding areas. We also cleared and repaired four culverts on the trail that had been clogged with debris and were impeding good water flow, and which could cause more erosion. We had 20 volunteers helping with the project - all from Yuba City. The crew did a great job and USFS's Paul Hart was pleased with the results. (Thanks to Stephanie Ruff for forwarding this story -editor)

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My ACA Story (Affordable Care Act/Obamacare)

By Cathy LeBlanc

I am sharing this letter I sent to my legislators in hopes that others will be inspired to share their stories as well.

I thank God for the Affordable Care Act! Without it I would have a much different story today. I am the part-time Executive Director of a small non-profit in rural Camptonville, CA. Our work focuses on community health and well-being. For years previous to the passage of the ACA, I could not afford health insurance. I made too much to qualify for MediCal and too little to pay the high cost of health insurance premiums. So when ACA passed I became one of the first to sign on. Through work I also made sure others in our low-income community could access it as well, including my adult children. Thanks to the ACA I finally had high-quality affordable health care (Anthem Blue Cross Silver Plan @\$150 month). Little did I know how vital this would become.

In May of 2016, I was diagnosed with breast cancer. At the cost of thousands of dollars, I had to undergo mammograms, sonograms, biopsies, lumpectomy, lymph node removal, six rounds of chemotherapy with two different and very costly drugs, and 33 radiation treatments. I am said to now have "clear margins." I will take medication and continue to have follow-up appointments with my oncologist for the next five years. Only then will I be declared a survivor. I am thankful for all this great care. Because of it, I came back to work only seven months after diagnosis, and I still have my home.

I, and millions like me, need affordable health coverage with monthly subsidized payments (preferably single-payer!). Please help me. If I lose my insurance I may no longer be able to afford the medication and follow-up services I need to become a survivor! At 61 years young I have so much life to live and unborn grandchildren yet to meet and love.

With hope for the future, Cathy LeBlanc

If you have a story to share, I encourage you to contact your representatives listed in the box below.

*"Democracy is not just the right to vote,
it is the right to live in dignity." -Naomi Klein*

Monkey Mind – Earth Day

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 April – Jesse



In 1970, 20 million Americans participated in Earth Day, a national teach-in on the environment. Among the powerful images from that time: pictures of birds and sea mammals choking in crude oil from a giant oil well spill off the California shore and the Cuyahoga River on fire. Toxic chemicals impacting wildlife and the environment, farmworkers suffering from chemical exposure, danger from nuclear waste, and global starvation had become national concerns.

Almost 50 years later, national and local action has mitigated some dangers. Some toxins have been banned, some waterways and toxic dumps cleaned-up. New standards for auto emissions and new international agreements – both now under attack – have the potential to reverse climate damage. Action can make a difference.

Earth Day 2017, Saturday April 22, is a great day to stand up for the environment.

On April 22, there's the March for Science* [see links below], an international event "to celebrate a passion for science and to support and safeguard the scientific community," and on Saturday April 29, there's the People's Climate Mobilization,** to "advance solutions to the climate crisis that are rooted in racial, social, and economic justice and...protect our right to clean air, water, land, healthy communities, and a world at peace."

Beyond marches, we can resist efforts to turn back environmental gains and we can ask for local actions to lead the way to climate and environmental solutions, starting with asking our representatives (listed below) to be environmental leaders.

Have a great Earth Day, and do something to love our planet!

Comments? Discussion? Find Monkey-Mind-the-Column on Facebook!

*March for Science, Sacramento: marchforsciencesacramento.com

**People's Climate Mobilization, Sacramento: actionnetwork.org/events/peoples-climate-mobilization-sacramento

Our Elected Representatives: Camptonville, Yuba County, CA 95922

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Spring Spirit at our Historic Cemetery

By Rochelle Bell

As the sun peeked over the trees at our house on Saturday, March 11th, the car was packed and the cooler stuffed. We were headed out to the Camptonville Cemetery for the annual Spring Clean-up sponsored by the Historical Society. After two days of planning, shopping, and preparing for this day, we were full of the usual questions. Will they come, how many, will there be enough snacks, will the weather be pleasant? They came, and kept coming, with gloves, rakes, wheelbarrows, and chainsaws. Thank you Camptonville for making this one of the best clean-ups in the nine years that the Historical Society has been hosting the Spring Clean-up. Five people told me this was their first visit to our historic cemetery and they could feel the sense of community in their efforts. We had many children help which delighted us all. They worked hard and ate the goodies with gusto. Over 30 community members felt the spirit of Camptonville that day. Thank you to all.



Photo by Shirley DickKard

Thank you, Yuba County Public Works

By Richard DickKard

I'd like to thank Mike Lee, Manager, Yuba County Public Works, and his crew, for repairing the most severely storm-damaged roads around the Camptonville area. The work done by Yuba County Public Works is even more appreciated given the limited resources and money that they have available to them.

If you continue to have road damage that limits your access or access by services you need, do email Mike Lee with a description of the problem: mlee@co.yuba.ca.us. Send a copy of your email to our Supervisor, Randy Fletcher: rfletcher@co.yuba.ca.us. If you appreciate the work they've done up here, including repairing the huge sinkhole at the bottom of Cleveland Avenue, I'm sure they'd like to hear that too!



Photos by Rod Bondurant



More Spring Spirit

By Rod Bondurant

A big thank you from the community to the hard working families that spent the following Saturday, March 18th, continuing the cemetery cleanup. The Tinnels, the Sapps, and the Dudeks, representing the CCSD Board, got the cemetery in fine shape for spring. They chainsawed, added more to last week's cleanup debris, and safely burned the resulting huge pile.



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Welcome Back To All Rebel Ridge Organics Customers!

By Jessi Mullins

It was a very enjoyable winter for our family. With the cold weather and so much rain, we enjoyed our time together. But now it is time to get back to work. Rebel Ridge Organics is back open for the 2017 gardening season.

**Our current Business Hours are
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Some may wonder about my hours. As a small business owner, mom, wife, daughter, granddaughter, and a very active school and community volunteer, I'm just trying to find that balance. I would like to say *thank you* to all my customers who continue to support us and work around our schedule. We are looking forward to seeing everyone's smiling faces and their eager-to-dig, get-dirty energy.

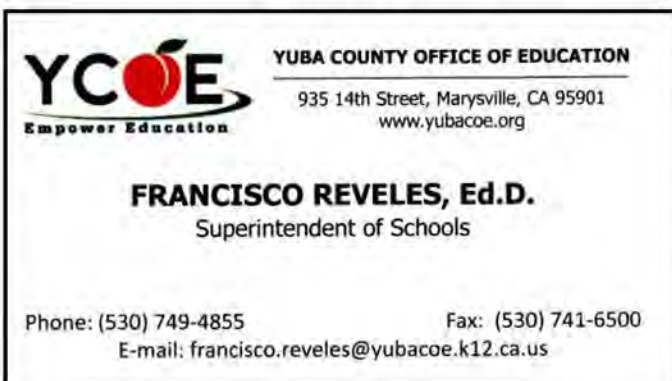


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Finding Treasure

By Yakshi Vadeboncoeur, 1,2,3 Grow

It's spring, already April! It's the 2nd half of the school year and

Teacher Yakshi puts more emphasis on structured activities, especially with the Tuesday school readiness group who are preparing for kindergarten. By mid-March, she's measuring everything with that yardstick. March is, after all, for Measuring.

This particular Tuesday just before St. Patrick's Day, everything is going fine, but I'm feeling discouraged. I don't feel I'm managing to accomplish things that are usually pretty routine by this time of year. It's a sunny day. At the end of the morning, for only the second time since January, we head to the garden. J, G, and L (next year's kindergarteners) go straight to the water table – full of winter rain and debris. I tell them we'll have to empty and scrub it. Someone immediately pulls the plug, so I say, "Get buckets and catch the water for the plants while I get rags for scrubbing." They're on it in a flash. When I return, it's almost empty, and M is searching the toy tub for a certain truck and not finding it because it has over-wintered in the dirt pile under the tarp. Frustration is not one of M's strong suits, so he's coming undone. I tell him that it's under the tarp – further frustration because that info doesn't compute.

The water table's clean; unfortunately, the hose is still locked in the shed. I help M find his truck. Organize J, G, & L into a bucket brigade. Visiting 1-year-old S happily plays with anything she finds. M is still unhappy – the truck is dirty. I assure him we can fix this problem without whining because we are problem solvers. Meanwhile, totally self-directed, focused, and cooperating, J, G, & L fill the water table. They finish just 5 minutes before it's time to go home, yet willingly accept that we only have time to search for one blue stone of destiny and three marbles each, but that there'll be more on St. Patrick's Day (Delayed Gratification – a major developmental milestone). M stops obsessing over dirty trucks and joins us (consoling oneself with alternatives – another milestone). We end our day with treasures.

The moral of this story: Don't let your expectations and plans for children get in the way of seeing their actual treasure – the abilities and skills these amazing little people demonstrate daily right before our eyes.

P.S. As they go to search for treasure, both girls in their pretty spring dresses say, "I'm soaked." J, in his work clothes, without pause, says, "You'll dry."



St. Patty's Day Thanks from Camptonville Community Partnership!

By Cathy LeBlanc, Executive Director, CCP

Hi Folks! On behalf of CCP, it is with sincere appreciation that we want to thank everyone who attended and/or donated desserts to our St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Dessert Auction fundraiser.

A super big thanks goes out to Barbara Ramirez for her fantabulous organizational skills making this event happen! And many thanks to SPD Market for donating the organic produce, Grocery Outlet for condiments, and Sidonie Christian for donating the corned beef. Everyone enjoyed good food, fun, and friends sharing a great time!

The fundraising event earned CCP \$2,100, YAY!! Your continued support at events like this helps us fill our financial gaps. This year it will help fund CCP's Summer Recreation swim trips, core operating costs, and more!



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By Brandi Dudek, CVFD Chief

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The annual membership rates are as follows: Reach for Life is \$65 per household.; Enloe is \$40 for an individual and \$50 per family; and CALSTAR is \$45 for an individual and \$50 per family. Many residents will have memberships with both Reach for Life and Enloe FlightCare. *This would be my recommendation.*

Here is how to get your applications:

Reach for Life- www.reachair.com/membership

Enloe FlightCare - www.enloe.org/medical_services/flightcare_program/flightcare_membership_program.asp

CALSTAR: www.calstar.org/membership



April Nature Watch



- **Full Moon April 11th; New Moon April 26th.**
- **Spring!** Wildflower hikes at Bridgeport. Arrival of the Moonshine Osprey pair. Migratory songbirds in courtship plumage. Lots of nest-gathering activity. Slow-moving newts. Foraging for wild greens. Eating asparagus, peas, and lettuce from the garden. Our local tom turkey gathering his harem. Redbuds blooming.
- **Jackrabbits** - In the spring, watch for jackrabbits feeding at night (sometimes early morning or evening). When weed-eating tall grass, watch for baby rabbits, called leverets. The mother often separates them by putting one in one area, two in another, and a fourth in a different location, reducing the chances that a predator could get them all. Leave them where you find them as the mother is most likely nearby.

April Contributors: Wildlife Rehabilitation and Release, Farmer's Almanac, Rochelle Bell, Shirley Dickard, Jimbo Garrison. Share what you'll watch for in May to: camptonvillecourier@gmail.com.

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Join Us at North San Juan Methodist Church During Easter

By Leland Mansuetti

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- Resource Center (CCP) ——— 288-9355
- USFS (Yuba River Ranger District) ——— 288-3231
- Vol. Fire Department ——— 288-3303

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

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(Contact Editor for additions or corrections)

"A single act of kindness throws out roots in all directions, and the roots spring up and make new trees."

—Amelia Earhart



Palm Sunday Parade and Easter Celebration at NSJ Community Church

By Pastor Pinkie Varner

April is a busy month for North San Juan Community Church! Ten years ago, our pastors got married on April 1st (because they are fools for each other). The community is invited to help them celebrate on April 1st at 4:20 pm when they renew their vows.

The Palm Sunday Parade on April 9th at 11 am happens rain or shine. **The Easter Celebration on April 16th** consists of Sunrise Service at sunrise, all you can eat pancake breakfast at 8:30 am, regular Easter Service at 11 am, fabulous lunch at noon, followed by a special presentation of "Hop" at 1 pm. You can wish Pastor Chad a Happy Birthday on April 27th at [Facebook.com/nsjcommunitychurch](https://www.facebook.com/nsjcommunitychurch). Happy April, Community! Come sing with us! For more information, call us at 415-9705.



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- April 1 *The Courier's* 20th Anniversary Brunch (Pg 1)
April 5 Parents Club Meeting (Pg 5)
April 8 Hotshot Half Marathon (Pg 7)
April 9 2nd Sun. Film: Journey of the Universe (Pg 2)
April 15 Easter Egg Hunt and Breakfast (Pg 4)
April 15 "Keyboards & Vocal Chords" Concert (Pg 3)
April 23 Earth Day at Oak Tree FRC (Pg 5)
May 19 Talent Show and Trash Fashion Show (Pg 5)
May 20 Camptonville Plant Sale (Pg 2)

On-Going MONTHLY Events

- CCP Board** - Meets 2nd Wednesday, 1 pm, Resource Center
Contact: 288-9355
- CCSD Board** - Meets 4th Monday, 7 pm, Camptonville School
Contact: 288-3421 or 288-3676
- School Board** - Meets 3rd Wednesday, 6 pm, at CV School
Contact: 288-3277

APRIL 2017 Community Calendar

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



On-Going WEEKLY Events

- Tuesdays:** Community Lunch, 12-1 pm, NSJ Center
USDA Food Bank, 3rd Tues, 9-10:30 am, Willow Glen, OH
Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, 5:30 pm-Kids, 6:30-Adults, Com. Center
Yoga, 5:30 pm, Camptonville School Gym
Camptonville Fire Dept Trainings, 6-9 pm, Fire Hall
- Thursdays:** Foothill Food Pantry, 12:30-1:30 pm, Lake Francis Grange, Dobbins
Food Bank, NSJ, 3rd Thurs, 8 am, North San Juan Center
AA Meeting, 5:30-6:30 pm, C'ville Resource Center
Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, 5:30 pm-Kids, 6:30-Adults, Com. Center
- Fridays:** Community Lunch, 12 pm, NSJ Center
- Saturdays:** Coffee @ The Center, 9-11 am, C'V Community Center
Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, 10-12 Open Mat, C'V Community Center
- Sundays:** Open Mic, 1st & 3rd Sundays at Burgee Daves, 4-7 pm