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Celebrating the December Holidays with Others

Holiday Craft Faire - December 8th

By Cathy LeBlanc, CCP

When: Sunday, December 8th, 12 to 3 pm

Where: Camptonville School Gym



Join the Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP) for our annual Holiday Craft Faire. CCP presents this opportunity for our community to gather while supporting our local economy.

Artisans from the Camptonville area will display their wares for your shopping pleasure. Children can shop for affordable gifts at the Kid's Shopping Corner. Rain or shine, come enjoy an afternoon with your neighbors and support this wonderful local shopping event.

The volunteer fire department will sell Christmas trees; come early since there is a limited amount of trees. Any questions? Call Barbara Ramirez at 288-3392.

Santa Claus is Coming to Town! December 20th

By Jessi Mullins

On **Friday, December 20th**, Santa will be at the **Camptonville Community Center**. Doors open at 4:30 pm, and Santa is planning to arrive around 6 pm. Please come and join us for an evening filled with Christmas cheer, food, hot cocoa, cookies, and special gifts for the kids.

Tickets will be sold throughout the evening. Then after Santa heads back to the North Pole, we will hold our annual basket raffle.

For any new families in the community or for others who may not know what we do, here's the scoop. The Camptonville Christmas Club fundraises throughout the year to host an annual, magical evening with Santa, friends, family, and the community. Each child has an opportunity to visit with Santa. Santa's helpers (the Camptonville Christmas Club) give an age-appropriate gift and a stocking full of goodies to every child. Please come and enjoy this long-time Camptonville tradition.



Santa's Visit 2017

How You Can Help Camptonville's Secret Santa!

By Barbara Mueller Hogan

The holidays are almost here. Camptonville Community Partnership and volunteers are working with me to offer the Secret Santa Project, but we need your help. This project has been happening for over 20 years and has been greatly needed and appreciated by Camptonville families.

If you or anyone you know in our community is in need of help with food and MAYBE gifts for their children, please contact me as soon as possible to get on the Secret Santa list. I'm limited

this year, so the sooner the better! Please call 288-9311 and leave the name of the family, how many adults and children, and your phone number so I can call back and get more details.

Sponsor a Child. Here's another way to help: If you would like to sponsor a child or family of children, please call me or CCP at 288-9355. I ask the children to make a list for Santa and then I also ask the parent what is needed.

Donations of money to help with shopping are greatly appreciated. You can make checks payable to CCP with Secret Santa in the memo and you will receive a thank you letter with your tax-deductible donation.

If you are in need of food, Foothill Food Pantry in Oregon House helps us assist families.

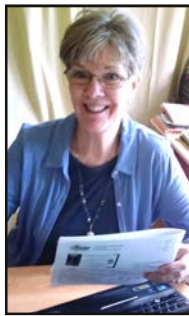
Please call me to get put on their holiday food list. Food pick up will be Saturday, December 21st, between 11:30 and 1:00 pm, location to be determined. If you're on the list we will let you know.

In order to give Santa and the Elves a head start, I need to know by December 13th. I cannot accept families past that date. If you can help 2019 be the best Secret Santa year ever, please contact me, Barbara Mueller-Hogan, at 288-9311. My call back will show as a private caller and I do not have caller ID so please make sure you leave a call back number.

From the Editor

– Shirley DickKard

The inspiration for this issue's theme of "Being Seasoned by Winter" came from a recent conversation I had with Robert Mumm about "seasoning." We season wood before building with it and we season our food before eating. It got me musing about how the earth "seasons" us with spring, summer, autumn, and now, winter.



December 21st is the Winter Solstice and the official arrival of the winter season. Sprinkled like snowflakes (remember those?) throughout this issue are the responses that came in answer to my call for *how we are seasoned by winter*. Enjoy!

Another Successful Fall Brunch!

By Jessi Mullins

The Camptonville Christmas Club would like to say, "Thank You" to all who came out and supported our annual fundraiser. Our Fall Brunch is a HUGE fundraiser for us, and it was another successful year! We hope you enjoyed the food and company. We enjoyed all of your smiling faces and again appreciate and thank you for attending. The money that was earned will be used for our **Santa Comes to Town on Friday, December 20th at the Camptonville Community Center.**

Not If But When: Wildfire Solutions - Free Film Showing December 5th

By Cathy LeBlanc, CCP



Camptonville Community Partnership is pleased to announce the free screening at the **Community Center** on **Thursday, December 5th** of a new documentary film, **Not If But When: Wildfire Solutions**, by local filmmakers Radu Sava and Rebekah Hood-Sava (local educators who are involved in many artistic projects in the area). This film has been selected for showing at SYRCL's Wild and Scenic Film Festival. Here is a statement from the filmmakers:

Year after year, California is experiencing major wildfires. As filmmakers and educators, we wanted to understand why and what we could do about it. We went out and talked to many of the people involved with the forests in our area in a search to understand how we got here and what do we do now.

The interviewees include experts from the Forest Service, Calfire, the Governor's office, UC Berkeley, Yuba Water Agency, environmental groups, and so on. We bottled up our findings into a 35-minute documentary-crash course in wildfire issues, forest health, forest management, and prescribed burns.

One of the discoveries was that California's forests have a particular ecosystem where wood doesn't decompose because of limited moisture and unfavorable temperatures. That's why wildfires were part of our landscape forever.

CCP is thrilled to have the opportunity to show this documentary, which was funded locally through Kickstarter and private donors. It features folks you may recognize, including narration by local actor and director John Deaderick. The doors open at 6:30 and the film starts at 7 pm, followed by a Q&A session. For further information, please contact CCP at 288-9355.

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You are Invited to a *Community Celebration of the Light* - December 21st

By Diane Pendola, Skyline Harvest

On the longest night of the year, come mark the turning of the earth towards the light.

On **December 21st, from 7-9 pm**, we are bringing Earth Liturgy to the **Camptonville Community Center**. Hosted by local non-profit, Skyline Harvest, we celebrated a Solstice Earth Liturgy at the Community Center last year. Let's make it an annual event!

We will mark this solstice with ceremony, music, and poetry. Bring something for the center of our circle that represents your hope in the coming light. We will have dessert after the ceremony so bring something sweet to share.



Earth Liturgy

Liturgy is a Greek word meaning "the people's work"
Earth People's Work

You and I are people of the Earth. We come from the Earth. We are sustained through the Earth. We are inspired by the Earth. Music must have risen in the human spirit out of bird-song, the sound of waves breaking upon the shore, the sigh of wind in the trees, the drumbeat of our own hearts. The soul of the natural world pours out of us in poetry. We plumb the depths of a ponderosa pine or a monarch butterfly and suddenly we are more ourselves, more present, more whole. The world opens to us as we open to it, as we enter what seems other than us and discover our own authentic selves in the encounter.



Winter

The delight and joy of watching the first snow of the season fall, then relief when it melts without refreezing!

– Linda Rose

The Dark Season

By Marcy Risque

For many of us, winter is the most challenging of the seasons. Much of nature is dormant and the days are fleeting. It is in one sense an ending of things.

This causes me to want to pull inward and seek comfort in light, food, warmth, family, and friends. It is as if the animal in me wants to hibernate. Only humans seem to forget about cycles; and the winter cycle is about gathering and storing energy, resting, and preparing for the next cycle to come.

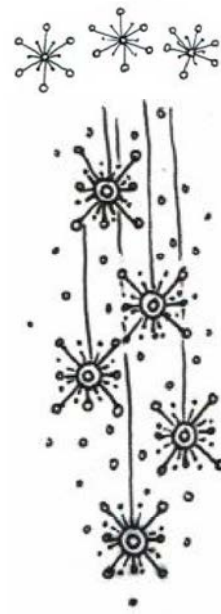


Photo: S. DickKard

Winter Greetings from Indian Valley Outpost

Jack Frost is lurking around the corner as we prepare for snow and storms, cut firewood, and batten down the hatches as my late dad used to say. As we prepare for winter and the holidays, Dave and I want to extend our heartfelt thanks and God's blessing to all of our friends and neighbors who have supported us. *The Camptonville Courier* is a great local paper with very important ability to reach the Camptonville mountain community, providing resources and drawing neighbors together.

Merry Christmas from Dave and Karla Gardner



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Teen Rally Point Coordinator Position

By Cathy LeBlanc, CCP Executive Director

CCP is seeking an organized, friendly, computer-literate person who has a good rapport with youth and adults to join our part-time staff of Rally Point. Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP) sponsors this twice-monthly evening get-together at the Camptonville Community Center for 10 to 15-year-olds in the Yuba foothill community. It is an opportunity for our local youth to connect with their future and each other. Each gathering brings the group together for a chance to learn about job skills from a variety of speakers and to socialize with a purpose.

Beginning January 2020, this position is for approximately 26 hours a month, will include two Thursday evenings a month, and may include an occasional Saturday or Sunday. You will work with CCP's Executive Director, Cathy LeBlanc, to prepare a newsletter, bring structure and fun, and promote and deliver 18 nights for youth throughout the year. If this sounds like something you may be interested in or if you would like more information, please call CCP at 288-9355.

Can You Help Paint?

By Richard DickKard, Camptonville Community Center Advocates

We are seeking volunteers to help paint the new walls in the kitchen and Community Room areas.

Call Richard DickKard at 288-3479 to sign up. Hopefully, we can get the paint done by the end of the year!



Focusing on organic gardening; amendments and supplies, organic soils like Vermicrop bulk and bagged, Foxfarm Roots Organics, and Black Gold, gardening tools, irrigation supplies, greenhouse covers, and pest control.

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CCP Hiring 2020 Census Positions

By Cathy LeBlanc, CCP Executive Director

The 2020 Census will mark the first time residents will submit their responses online as a primary response option for the 2020 Census questionnaire, instead of primarily relying on paper responses. CCP is designing new and innovative outreach strategies to reach hard-to-count and vulnerable populations and to encourage participation in the 2020 Census.

The goal of our project is to engage and educate hard-to-count and least likely to respond demographic populations about the benefits of being counted and maximizing the number of Yuba County foothill residents participating in the 2020 Census.

As a result, Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP) has work available for these positions:

Census Grant Outreach Coordinator. If you are a highly motivated, organized individual with staff management skills, great at the computer (Word and Excel), and also have social media skills, then we would like you to apply for this part-time census coordinator position. Wage \$18-\$20/hr depending on skill level and experience.

Two Outreach Positions. Each position will receive a \$2,500 stipend for approximately 12 hours of work each week within a 12-week period. Applicants will need some basic computer skills, have good people skills, reliable transportation, be able to lift 15 lbs., and be willing to work in a team. We will utilize a tabling set-up at various Yuba Foothill locations to encourage residents to fill out the seven-question census electronically.

For more information or to fill out an application please call us at 288-9355.

The Courier Seeks Volunteer Ads and Subscription Coordinator Assistant

By Linda Rose, Ad/Subscription Coordinator

How about volunteering as a member of *The Courier* team? We are recruiting for a backup coordinator to handle the advertiser and subscriber duties and responsibilities. If you have a computer and knowledge of Excel spreadsheets, then this volunteer opportunity may just be the niche you've been waiting for!

It only requires two to four hours a month, plus you get to work with a great team, including the monthly fun-filled "Courier Fold" where we gather for an hour to get *The Courier* ready for mailing. Sound good to you? Then contact either Shirley DickKard at 288-3479 or Linda Rose 288-3347.

Winter Dormancy

By Katie O'Hara-Kelly

In winter, most wildlife and plants become dormant. Many physical changes take place within these organisms that make it possible for them to become inactive.

In insects and plants, most of the water in their cells is replaced with sucrose and other organic compounds which lower the freezing point. This keeps their cells from being destroyed during freezing temperatures.

Mammals can hibernate, or go into a deep sleep coupled with intermittent periods of activity. Typically body temperature, as well as respiration, heart beat, and metabolism rates slow down during these dormant periods.

Black Bears don't truly hibernate. They spend most of the winter sleeping, but can become active if the weather is mild. They do not eat, drink, or defecate all winter! Since bears are metabolizing mostly fat, they do not accumulate huge amounts of urea in their blood during winter. They also convert any urea into creatinine, which is non-toxic. Their nitrogen wastes are biochemically recycled back into protein, hence they do not lose their muscle mass! That's why bears can climb a mountain right after they emerge from their winter den!

If you'd like to learn more about animals and plants in winter, I'd highly recommend the following websites: www.howplantswork.com and www.ncwildlife.org/Learning/Species/Mammals/Black-Bear/Black-Bear-Hibernation.

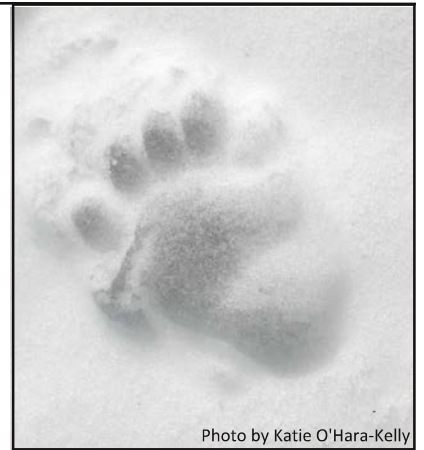


Photo by Katie O'Hara-Kelly

Winter Season

"I hibernate all summer, hating the heat and mosquitoes, and when fall comes (and the heat and mosquitoes stop), I get active and happy--love winter! I get cozy in the evenings with my wood fire in the stove, plenty of firewood stacked outside, and my barn full of hay for fall, winter, and spring! Getting snowed in is my favorite! So many blessings and so happy to be able to work outside again and play more with my horses!!!" -Linda Brown

The Taste of Winter

By Lacie Arena-Whittington

*Whirling, swirling,
dancing in the cool crisp breeze,
all the pretty leaves,
Oh the bare limbed trees!
Down they fall, gently to the ground
making a beautiful blanket
for the forest floor,
nature's protection from the freeze.*



It's The Most Wonderful Time of the Year: Holiday Trees on the Tahoe National Forest

By Joe Flannery, Tahoe National Forest Public Affairs Officer

Keep the family tradition alive this year or start a new one by cutting a tree for the holidays in the Tahoe National Forest! Experience cool mountain air, the forest floor crunching beneath your boots, and finding that perfect tree in a hidden glade. All of these moments await those who purchase a Holiday Tree Cutting Permit for only \$10 from the Tahoe National Forest or other vendors.

Yuba River Ranger District
Monday-Friday: 8 am-4:30 pm
15924 Highway 49, Camptonville
478-6253

TNF Supervisor's Office
Monday-Friday: 9 am-4:30 pm
631 Coyote St, Nevada City
265-4531

Tahoe National Forest Holiday Tree Cutting Permits are only valid on National Forest lands managed by the Tahoe National Forest. Each permit allows the cutting of one tree. Limit two permits per household. For area maps of Holiday Tree cutting zones, cutting requirements, and tips for a great experience visit www.fs.usda.gov/tahoe/ and click on the Holiday Tree icon, or contact Joe Flannery at 478-6205 or joseph.flannery@usda.gov.



*As you gaze up into the deep indigo sky
the first flakes of snow flutter on by
coating everything around
Oh the beauty abound!
I stick out my tongue
and that's when I know
she has finally come,
for I have just had
my first taste of Winter*



The cold air of winter seems cleaner to me. I love to take deep breaths of air as I walk through the snow. It somehow seems to revive my nose and lungs.

It leaves me refreshed to go back inside and start creative projects. My artwork always takes shape in the winter, with the play between inside and outside spaces.

— Monica Murgia

December Events at the Community Center

By Jessie Golden

Thursday, December 5th: Free film

Screening: **Not If But When - Wildfire Solutions**; presented by Camptonville Community Partnership. House opens at 6:30, film starts at 7 pm.

Friday, December 20th: Santa Comes to Town. Doors open at 4:30, Santa arrives 6 pm. Sponsored by the Camptonville Christmas Club.

Saturday December 21st: Come Celebrate the Light with Skyline Harvest from 7-9 pm. Ceremony, music, and poetry; bring something for the center of our circle, and something sweet to share.

And, our ongoing events: **Coffee @ the Center** on Saturday mornings at 10 am; **Yoga** with Lucille on Thursdays at 10 am; **Rally Point** for youth ages 10-15 on Thursday, December 5th at 5 pm.



Yuba River Ranger District: Christmas Tree Cutting and New Forest Partnership

By Izaya Lewis

Christmas Trees are now available at the Yuba River Ranger District. Permits for the trees are only \$10 and are limited to two per household. A major change to the program this year is the cutting area. In previous years there was a specific location for cutting, whereas this year it has been opened up to the entire forest. Established recreation areas and areas not permissive for cutting will be highlighted on a map provided upon purchase of a tree permit. Don't forget to call the office before heading down to ensure permit availability - 288-3231.

The Yuba River Ranger District is excited to announce the North Yuba Forest Partnership, a commitment from the Tahoe National Forest and eight other organizations to plan and execute forest restoration and resiliency in the North Yuba Watershed. The North Yuba Watershed covers 210,000 acres of Forest Service land spanning as far as Yuba Pass Campground down to the spillway of Bullards Bar Reservoir. While the partnership planning is still in the development phase, there are plans of implementation within three years. Efforts of restoration are expected to take up to 20 years to complete. This will be an ongoing project, building on work that has already been done, such as restoration of meadows, aspen stands, and wildlife corridors, as well as fuels reduction work. This work is reminiscent of words once said by Hal Borland, "Any river is really the summation of the whole valley. To think of it as nothing but water is to ignore the greater part."

Thank You Center Volunteers!

By Christina Ledson, Treasurer, Camptonville Community Center Advocates

We are very excited to announce that the Community Center's new concrete ramp at the front door has been completed, the septic system repaired, and the kitchen area is being finished.

A huge Thank You to these volunteers who donated their time and expertise on the front ramp, kitchen area remodel, and septic repair: **Sean Bechell, Tim Jones, Tony Sandner, Dylan Teal, and Randy Yager**, and to **Sidonie Christian** who donated bags of concrete mix for the ramp.

During our fundraiser for the ramp we earned \$878.80. The materials ended up totaling \$217.74 and the labor was donated by community volunteers. This leaves us with additional funds to roll into the next project to help make the Center safer and more accessible. In addition to sheetrocking and painting the kitchen entry, we will be widening one of the bathroom doors to make it more easily accessible. The improvements for better access and increased safety have been made possible by the generous donations of time and money by many Camptonville folks.

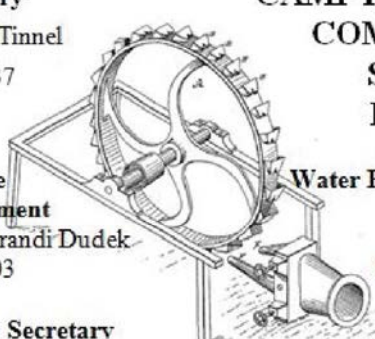
And, there's more to come! We are seeking volunteers to help paint the new walls in the kitchen and Community Room areas. Call Richard DickKard at 288-3479 to sign up. Hopefully, we can get the paint done by the end of the year.

Again, thank you all for helping us restore the aging Masonic Hall into a safer, nicer Camptonville gathering place for community events – both public and private.

Terry Riley Concert Benefits the Center

By Richard DickKard, Camptonville Community Center Advocates

Thank you to Terry Riley! He made his recent November 16th concert at the Nevada Theater a benefit for the Camptonville Community Center and donated his artist fees from the full-house concert to the Camptonville Community Center Advocates (CCCA), a 501c3. We will put his donation to good use for improvements, repairs, and maintenance of the Community Center. Thanks, Terry!

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The North Yuba Forest Partnership

By DeDe Cordell, Yuba Water Agency

A diverse group of nine organizations announced their commitment to prioritize, plan, and execute forest restoration on an unprecedented scale in the North Yuba River watershed, covering 275,000 acres of the northern Sierra Nevada.

The memorandum of understanding spells out the group’s commitment to work together to increase the pace and scale of ecologically-based restoration within the

North Yuba River watershed and to prioritize community safety, forest health, and resilience through landscape-scale restoration.

The North Yuba Forest Partnership includes: Blue Forest Conservation, **Camptonville Community Partnership**, National Forest Foundation, The Nature Conservancy, Nevada City Rancheria, Sierra County, South Yuba River Citizens League, The United States Forest Service - Tahoe National Forest, and Yuba Water Agency.

The North Yuba River watershed runs through multiple Northern California counties and two national forests, from Yuba Pass to New Bullards Bar Reservoir. The area includes thousands of acres of forest habitat, is an important source of water for downstream users, supports high biodiversity, is home to many rural communities, and offers excellent opportunities for recreation.

“We’re loving our forests to death,” said Willie Whittlesey, Assistant General Manager of Yuba Water Agency. “A ‘hands-off’ approach to forest management is no longer an option now that our communities, infrastructure, and water supply are at significant risk. To make a meaningful impact in this massive effort, it’s going to take all of us who care about the watershed coming together.”

Forests once characterized by large, widely-spaced trees and beneficial low-to-moderate severity fires are now overrun with vegetation that is not fire-resilient. Projects to restore resilience to the North Yuba River watershed include clearing underbrush, thinning smaller trees, managed burning, reforestation, and meadow restoration, among other efforts. In addition, traditional ecological knowledge from the local Nisenan people will be incorporated into planning and design.

This effort is expected to take up to 20 years to complete, with the highest priority given to at-risk communities, emergency response, evacuation access routes, forests of critical ecological importance, and areas that have the potential to stop a wildfire from spreading.

While planning efforts for the larger North Yuba River watershed are just beginning, the 14,500-acre Yuba Project is already underway, serving as a pilot for the larger-scale North Yuba River watershed restoration effort. To learn more, visit the partnership website at yubaforests.org.

To view the complete text of this article, visit: www.yubawater.org.



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Meet Your Local Singer, Songwriter – Cheryl Zatuchni

By Linda Rose

Music has been in Cheryl's soul her entire life. She started playing piano in New York City. At the age of eight, her parents rented an old upright piano which had to be hoisted up to their apartment balcony by a pulley. She took lessons, practiced every night and played classical pieces, much to her parents' delight. At age 13, she taught herself how to play guitar, using a Bob Dylan songbook. She's been writing songs composed on the guitar ever since.

Born in Philadelphia, Cheryl traveled the world with her parents and two sisters, returning to the states in the mid 70's. She moved to this area in 1980, performing in local clubs and open mics. She taught herself how to play bass and played in several country and rock bands including Spaghetti Feed, Sierra Sky's, Overland Express, and the Heebie Jeebies. In the early 90's she moved to Austin where she played with her good friends Dakota Sid and Travers Clifford as well as other Austin bands. She later moved back to this area and returned to songwriting and her guitar where her heart has always been. She played in local venues with dear friend Marilyn Doty, a violin virtuoso who "spiced up my songs with her beautiful gypsy fiddling."

Cheryl recorded and released her first album, *Morning Rain*, in 2000. She then bought a little mountain cabin in Camptonville where she studied poetry. Poetry classes helped her develop her skills as a songwriter. Writing poetry "freed" her writing and she found that rhymes came out naturally, making it easier to write songs. She enrolled in an independent study college in Vermont graduating in 2002 with a BA degree in liberal arts.

Returning to Camptonville, she wrote poetry and songs for a new album, then reached out to several of her longtime musician friends as well as some new friends she had made along the way; all happily agreed to join her in the recording of her new album. The album, *Traveling Tales*, stories of a woman's journey through life, was released in 2018. The most popular song she recorded on this album is *Whole Enchilada*.

Cheryl loves to play her Martin guitar, but also has a few others in her collection. She describes her primary types of music as country and folk. Clearly, music is a passion of hers, as are watching and listening to the beauty and sounds of nature. Cheryl also enjoys growing, cooking, and preserving food from her home garden, and she values friendships. She also enjoys hiking, swimming in the river, gardening, and participating in the "song circle" at the Camptonville summer Gardeners' Market and the weekly Coffee @ The Center gatherings. She plans sometime soon to surprise everyone by showing up with a homemade pear pie!

Cheryl envisions making even better songs with which people can relate and resonate. Her long time dream for her future is to find a band and record her next album.

If you would like to purchase one of Cheryl's albums, you can buy them locally at Clock Tower Records in Grass Valley, or mail a check for \$20 to her at P.O. Box 301, Camptonville, CA 95922.



Photo by Linda Rose

Wordsmiths & Music Makers Returns January 11th

By Yakshi Vadeboncoeur

The season is shifting; the holidays, swinging and feasting; and the year, drawing to a close. That must mean it's time for Camptonville Wordsmiths & Music Makers to shine a little light on the darkest part of the year. Although we generally try to keep our seasonal celebration of creativity as close to the solstices and equinoxes as possible, December's winter solstice is the exception. There's just too much going on and too many family and holiday demands on our time. So Happy Holidays, Camptonville friends and neighbors: be merry, be joy-filled, be safe.

Wordsmiths & Music Makers

returns to the Camptonville
Community Center

Saturday, January 11, 2020

with Kyle Ledson* as featured Music
Maker and Yakshi Vadeboncoeur as
featured poet.

Doors open at 6:30. Tickets are \$5
and includes our fabulous, free buffet.

Several creative friends have assured me they will help fill the third featured artist slot, but we are committed to sharing intergenerational voices and are still hoping for a young 15 to 25-year-old artist to round out the evening. Contact Yakshi (288-0619) if you or someone you know fits the bill.

*Kyle's participation is contingent on there being no basketball game that evening.

The Coldest Season

Darkness descending

Bare trees against the sky

Silver diffused light

Sharp, biting air

Stars of diamond radiance



The urge to be home

Safe & warm

Soup on the stove

Candles on the sill

Hunkering down

Against the night



By Marcy Risque

November and Innumerable Reasons to Give Thanks

By Yakshi Vadeboncoeur, 1, 2, 3 Grow



We have a new alphabet rug this year that came through a mini grant from First5Yuba County. It is blue and beautiful. We build with blocks on it and play games on it. We sit on it for circle time and stories and music. Thank you, First5Yuba! So much happens on our rug. One very important thing is tracing our monthly rug letters. In **November**, one of those rug letters was, of course, **Nn**, and we spent a wonderful month **Noticing Nature** (what glorious fall colors we had this year!) and also **Noticing people being Nice**.

Another letter we traced in November is **Tt** for Thanksgiving, trees, turkey, and teeth. It's so easy to feel thankful when you practice noticing people being nice. Someone who is very nice to us is Ms. Manross. She invites us to her classroom every month. We share a story, arts and crafts projects, and make something to eat with Teacher Yakshi. In November, we made leaf rubs and hotplate leaves. We made turkeys and trees and papers about being thankful. Thank you, Ms. Manross, and all our K, 1, 2 friends. We also made chestnut soup. The chestnuts came from trees that grow right here in Camptonville. They are brown and shiny; but be careful – first you have to get them out of their sharp spiny hulls, then out of their shells. But you still can't eat them because you have to take off their bitter outer skin. Then they are sweet and tasty and make delicious soup and pies and pastries.

Someone else we are thankful for is Ms. Rhonda from the Tooth Mobile. She and her helpers taught us all about taking care of our teeth. she read us a story and gave us a tooth care bag. There was a picture in the storybook that was taken through a microscope. It made tooth bugs so big that you could see what they look like. Guess what? They look like white worms! Eww, gross! Brush your teeth. Thank you Ms. Rhonda and Teacher Christina for helping us learn about our teeth.


In November, we started doing ASQ evaluations (Ages & Stages Questionnaires). ASQ evaluations are administered at intervals from two to 60 months (five years), and each questionnaire contains 30 questions, six each in five areas of child development – Communication, Gross Motor, Fine Motor, Problem Solving, and Social Emotional. This is a parent administered evaluation tool, and the most common feedback is how fun, painless, and informative it is to spend that kind of focused time with your child. Parents have said it's really amazing to get a big picture snapshot of their child's developmental stage. Give thanks for every milestone, hurdle, and achievement. They grow up so fast!



SCALE Meeting: Building Collaboration Statewide

By Lindsey Nitta, CCP

Recently, CCP and the Camptonville Forest Biomass Business Center project participated in the SCALE Meeting in Sacramento. *SCALE, Sierra to California All-Lands Enhancement*, is the mechanism for collaboration between groups working on landscape-scale forest restoration and community improvement across California. There were great presentations and speakers including Jessica Morse, Deputy Secretary of Forest Resource Management at California Natural Resource Agency, Jennifer Montgomery, Director of the Forest Management Task Force, and Angela Lottes, Assistant Deputy Director for Climate and Energy at CalFire. The updates from the State agencies were very encouraging, as they are developing new innovative programs and expanding grant opportunities to support the health of forests and watersheds.



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New at the Museum

By Rochelle Bell, Camptonville Historic Society

Alix Lamb and Ellen McCarthy, our digital angels, have now scanned over 10,000 images from the seemingly endless collection found at Leland Pauly's house. Our plan is to begin cataloging the scanned pictures, articles, and ephemera and make them available to researchers, family members, and history buffs.

Recently we had the good fortune to receive a special gift from the Davis family. Earle Davis and his wife Candy donated a very large cupboard which came from the kitchen of the North San Juan Masonic lodge. The lodge, founded in the 1850's, was located upstairs in the brick building now housing the Brass Rail. The cupboard had been in the Mercantile store in Camptonville when it was owned by Earle's mother Elma in the 1970's. She used it in her home until she passed away in 2010. Elma had thoughtfully attached a note to the cupboard explaining that Acton Cleveland had given it to her and she wanted it to go to our museum.

Elma Davis was one of the founding members of the Camptonville Historical Society. She and her partner Bill Irving had done extensive research on local history. She gave us several large binders full of useful information. She also donated the fine glass display case from the Mercantile which you may have noticed in the exhibit space at the Community Center.

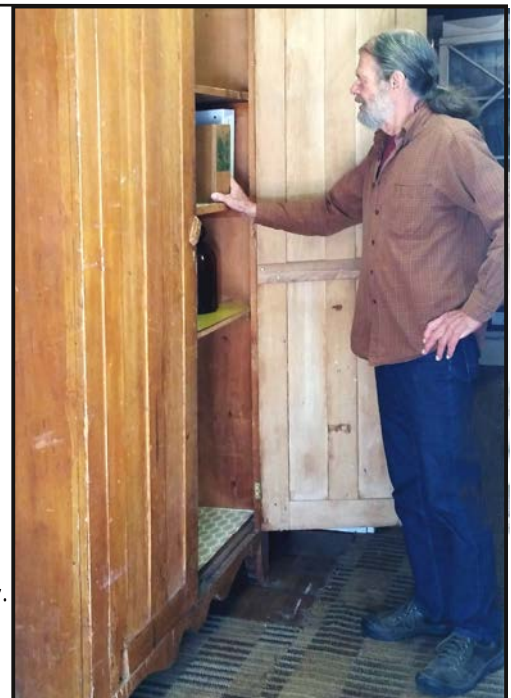


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December 2019 School Calendar



December 11	Awards Assembly, 8:45 am Staff Develop. Min. Day, 12:45 pm dismissal Kindergarten Schedule, 8:25 am-12:45 pm
December 12	Minimum Day, 12:45 pm dismissal Kindergarten Schedule, 8:25 am-12:45 pm Winter Program, 6 pm
December 13	Leadership Applications due for REACH
December 18	School Board Meeting, 6 pm
December 20	Minimum Day, 12:45 pm dismissal Kindergarten Schedule, 8:25 am-12:45 pm
Dec. 23-Jan. 3	Winter Break (School Closed)
January 1	Happy New Year 2020!



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Food Distribution in the Yuba County Foothills

The Foothill Food Pantry:

Located at the Lake Francis Grange in Dobbins
Thursdays 12:30–1:30pm
 (Except we're *closed* the week of USDA distributions)

December 5 and 19
January 2, 16, 23, and 30

The USDA Commodities Food Bank

Located at Willow Glen Restaurant, Oregon House
The 2nd Friday: 9-10:30am
December 13 and January 10
 Distributed by The Gleaners.

Also in Nevada County:

Food Bank, North San Juan Community Center
The 3rd Thursday, 8am

HELP & HOPE

For EmergenciesFirst Call 911
 (All area codes are 530 unless specified)

CA Rural Legal Assistance (Yuba Co) ----- 742-5191
Camptonville:

- AA ----- 288-1001
- **Community Center Information** ----- 288-5016
- **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
- DV SAC 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

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Red Cross of NE California ----- 673-1460

Road Conditions CalTrans ----- 800-427-7623

Sheriff (Yuba Co)

- Emergency ----- 911
- Non-Emergency ----- 749-7777

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

(Contact Editor for additions or corrections)

Cement Work Recommendation

By Richard DicKard

If you are looking for a local, professional quality cement guy with hometown prices for small jobs, I'd recommend Tony Sandner – 288-3214. He led the construction of the new front cement ramp at the Community Center.

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Snow Geese

Photo by Katie O'Hara-Kelly

"Last week I traveled down to the Gray Lodge Wildlife Area in California's Central Valley, and saw 100,000 Snow Geese on the wetlands. WOW!!! It was just absolutely amazing! Thousands and thousands of birds were on the water and in the air all squawking at once!"
 – From Katie's blog: northyubanaturalist

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Planning an Event?

Check the Online Community Calendar for open dates (www.camptonville.com)
 and get your event posted early to avoid possible conflicts!



DECEMBER 2019 Community Calendar



The Camptonville Calendar is online at Camptonville.com

To add local events to the calendar, email calendarville@gmail.com
 Or leave a message for Jesse Golden at 925-297-5375.

- December 5 – Rally Point Teen Night (Pg 6)
- December 5 – Wildfire Film Showing (Pg 2)
- December 8 – Holiday Craft Faire (Pg 1)



- December 12 – School Winter Program (Pg 11)
- December 20 – Santa Comes to Town (Pg 1)
- December 21 – Celebration of the Light (Pg 3)
- January 11 – Wordsmiths & Music Makers (Pg 8)

On-Going MONTHLY Events

Call first to verify meeting times before attending

- CCP Board** - Meets 3rd Wednesday, 3 pm
Resource Center. Contact: 288-9355
- CCSD Board** - Meets 4th Thursday, 6 pm, CV Com. Center
Contact: 288-3676
- School Board** - Meets 3rd Wednesday, 6 pm, at CV School
Contact: 288-3277
- USDA Food Bank** - 2nd Friday, Oregon House (Pg 11)
- NSJ Food Bank** - 3rd Thursday North San Juan Center (Pg 11)

On-Going WEEKLY Events

- (CCC = Camptonville Community Center)
- Tuesdays:** Community Lunch, 12–1 pm, NSJ Center
Yoga, 5:30 pm, Camptonville School Gym
Camptonville Fire Dept Trainings, 6–9 pm, Fire Hall
- Thursdays:** Yoga, 10 am, CCC
Foothill Food Pantry, Dobbins (Not 2nd week, see pg 11)
Rally Point Teen Nights 5–7 pm, Thursday, Dec. 5th, CCC
- Saturdays:** Coffee @ The Center, 10 am–noon, CCC