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## "I thought we were prepared..."

By Beverly Cameron-Fildes, Yuba Watershed Protection & Fire Safe Council

October 8, 2017, 11:30 pm: Driven by high winds, the Cascade Fire reached our home so quickly after ignition that our only warning was a loss of power and a sudden orange glow through our window shades. We were surrounded by flames! We watched our landscape ignite, saw embers blow far out ahead of the ground fire, and saw neighboring homes become fully engulfed in flames. Our house survived, but we were faced with the frightening reality that while I thought we were prepared, we should have done so much more.

Having grown up in the deserts of Southern California, I came to the foothills having little encounter with wildfire in my own "backyard." I knew wildfires happened; I knew they were devastating to the residents in those mountain communities, but I'd never really felt any urgency to prepare for that kind of emergency.

When my husband, a retired wildland firefighter (USFS) and I first moved to the Yuba County foothills in 2011, he urged me to join him at the monthly meetings of the Yuba Watershed Protection & Fire Safe Council (YWP&FSC) as a way of becoming involved in the community. At first, I resisted, but after several meetings, I realized that being part of the YWP&FSC was going to offer much more than just social introductions. What I quickly recognized was how much I didn't know about living in the wildlands and just how much I needed to learn.

I won't belabor all the factors that have contributed to catastrophic fires becoming the norm instead of the exception. We've heard them all aplenty. The encouraging news is that there is a significant professional paradigm shift in fire management, part of which is abandoning the notion that there's nothing that we, as homeowners, can do to help insure the survival of our home, property, and our lives.

### So what can we do?

Fire professionals urge us to make our homes and families Fire Safe by taking action BEFORE fire threatens. "Defensible Space Work," "Home Hardening," "Go-Bags," "Stay-Bags," "Code Red Notifications," and "Wildfire Mitigation Reviews" are all designed to increase your home's chances of surviving a wildfire. If you've been systematically making these preparations throughout the year, you should be in good shape in the face of the coming fire season.

The most important recommendation is the term "preparation" and knowing how you need to respond in an emergency. Panic doesn't lead to rational thought, and in an emergency, says author Max Brooks, "rational thought is your greatest weapon."

Have a Plan A and a Plan B, and be sure everyone in the household knows and has practiced those plans. This kind of preparation can mean the difference between safety and disaster!



Defensible Space Clearing: From this...



...To this!



I'm prepared. Are you? Photos by Beverly Cameron-Fildes



Go to [YubaFireSafe.org](https://YubaFireSafe.org) and review some of the detailed recommendations, videos, and programs that can help you be prepared to be Fire Safe.



## From the Editor

—Shirley Dickard

When Dick and I moved to Camptonville 43 years ago, fire season spanned the three months of summer.

Now we're on alert for six months from June to November. Every year, I'm more prepared, maybe even a bit obsessed. Following the Fire Safe Council's advice, I've packed important papers into my Go-Bag now so I don't grab weird things in a panic. I have Yuba County OES, YubaNet.com, and FlightRadar24 on my phone to check on signs of smoke or circling aircraft.

But we also need a community-wide, grassroots approach so we can help each other stay safe. We're hoping that someone will step forward to help revive **Camptonville Prepared!**, started years ago by the late Judy Morris. If you'd like to know more, contact Cathy LeBlanc at CCP (288-9355) or me (913-9152). It's time!



## Gardeners' Market Returns on August 7th!

By Jesse Golden, Center Manager

Camptonville's Saturday Gardeners' Market starts **August 7th, 10 am–Noon** behind the **Camptonville Community Center**. You'll find fresh vegetables and fruits for sale, as well as home preserved foods, delicious treats ready for consumption, landscaping and tree starts, as well as local craftspeople and spontaneous acoustic performances by our local musicians. Wear your sun protection hat: it's hot out there! Luckily the Gardeners' Market coincides with **Coffee@the Center**, so you'll be able to find cool drinks as well as sustaining caffeine and, of course, fine conversation.

The Center's events are conducted in accord with state health guidelines, which currently allow outdoor events, with mask-wearing requested for anyone not fully vaccinated. Thanks for helping to keep everyone safe!

To sign up as a vendor (no charge), text Cecilia at 263-3759 or email: [earnest.gallardo@gmail.com](mailto:earnest.gallardo@gmail.com).

To sign up to host coffee, email: [coffeeatthecenter@gmail.com](mailto:coffeeatthecenter@gmail.com).



Photo by John Deaderick

## Sri Moonshine Presents – July 18th Virtuoso Acoustic Guitar Concert

By Shabba Al Owens, Producer, Sri Moonshine Music Series

Terry Riley's Sri Moonshine Music Series continues **Sunday, July 18th, 7 pm, at the Community Center** with two internationally renowned guitarists, **Gyan Riley and Peppino D'Agostino**.

Prepare to be entranced with both great solo and duet performances. You do not need to be a connoisseur to be enchanted with magical strains of baroque, rock, world, and jazz woven together each in their own way by these two exquisite artists of the guitar.



**Gyan Riley**  
"A one-man American-music machine, amicably ranging across the fields of jazz, world music, and post-minimalism." (The New Yorker)

Photo by Dimitrij Matvejev

**Peppino D'Agostino**  
Named "Best Acoustic Guitarist" by readers of *Guitar Player Magazine* (*Guitar Player Magazine Reader's Choice Award*)



Photo by Jarek Pepkowski

Doors open at 6:30 pm; Performance begins at 7:00 pm.

Tapas and beverages are available by donation.

Tickets (\$30) are available at [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com).



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## The Fire Department Picnic is Happening!

**When: September 11th, 2-10 pm**

**Where: The Lost Nugget Market field**

**By Donna Tate, CVFD Auxilliary**



The CVFD Auxilliary is excited to announce we will be hosting the 28th Annual Camptonville VFD Community Picnic on **Saturday, September 11th!** Thank you to our local and neighboring communities for your overwhelming support to help pull this amazing event together. From raffle prizes to volunteering time, you all have stepped up to provide the needed support.

The event will be held at **the Lost Nugget Field from 2-10 pm (food will be served from 2-7 pm)**. Dinner will be our time-tested menu: choice of tri tip, chicken, or hamburger served with a baked potato, salad, and bread. We are working hard to line up some local entertainment and are thrilled that the band, *Sons of Boogie*, is returning for our evening entertainment!

Typically, this event takes several months of planning and lots of pavement pounding and phone calls to get donations and volunteers. So, this year, we will need "a little help from our friends."



Volunteers and picnic-goers from previous years. Photos by S. DicKard

### Here's how folks in the community can help:

**#1 Raffle Prizes:** We are in great need of raffle prizes! We would love to see some treasures from our local entrepreneurs and crafters. Please share your ideas for raffle items.

**#2 Volunteer!** We *need-need-need* volunteers in the following areas:

- Setup and tear down
- Serving food (usually two-hour blocks, but we will take what you can give)
- Selling beer, dinner, and raffle tickets

**If you can help in any way, please contact Rita or Donna:**

- Donna Tate donnaleetate@gmail.com or 288-1225 (please leave a message, cell service is iffy).
- Rita Ortega ritaortega4@gmail.com or 288-3421.

The Auxilliary will be holding a planning meeting at the end of June and will provide updated information on the Camptonville Facebook Page and in the August *Courier*. Thanks again – we can't wait to see you all!

## From Our Volunteer Fire Department

**By Dakota Pratschner, CVFD Firefighter**

As a volunteer department that is relatively small, we can only focus on one job at a time, and that's the immediate job we are assigned the second our pagers go off. When it comes to a new fire in our district, we have every available hand on the fire line until we get the okay to leave the scene, which can be up to a day later.



Wildland fire training

Photo by Dakota Pratschner

Trust me, I know how alarming it is to sit at home when you know there is an active fire in our area. After the recent Skyline Fire on Pendola, many people felt as if they were not informed. But the reality of any incident we respond to is that nobody knows just what we are dealing with until several units are at the scene. These units can include our local Sheriffs, the US Forest Service, CalFire, and, of course, us volunteers. This whole division of emergency services can always accurately assess when a residential area is in danger and will alert the residents in a timely manner. We will know, without question, when the town is being threatened.

### Best ways to be informed of local fires:

Here are two ways to become informed of local hazards as quickly as possible. If you haven't done so, please sign up online for the following:

**CodeRED:** A good way to stay in the loop is to register for CodeRED: a free system that alerts residents of declared emergencies through phone calls, texts, and emails. To register you must go to **www.yuba.org**. Once you are on the site, you must search "CodeRED" and you can then select the **"Register for CodeRED" button**. Fill in your personal information, and you can expect to be notified of emergencies when the time comes.

**Zonehaven** is another way to stay informed in the event of a wildfire. At **www.zonehaven.com/aware/** or **www.community.zonehaven.com** you can access your specific evacuation zone. Once on the website, enter your address or location and Zonehaven will display information such as active fires and fire history, weather reports, and evacuation mandates.

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## Remembering Longtime Camptonville Friend, Hal Stocker

By Rod Bondurant

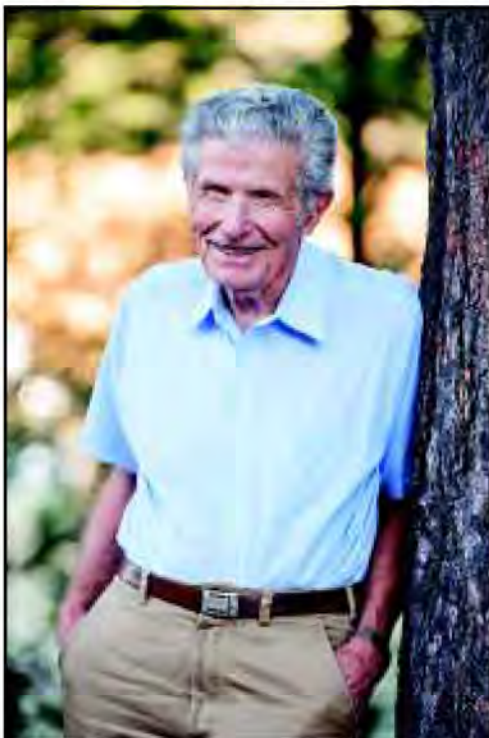
Camptonville has lost a longtime friend and supporter. Hal Stocker passed away June 10th at the age of 94. Hal was the Yuba County Supervisor of our 5th District for 20 years, retiring in 2015.

I remember him fondly as a kind, generous, and well-intentioned man. He had a sincere interest in our community, and always found time to attend our annual picnic every year – not just during election campaigns. He initiated the founding of the Fire Safe Council and was instrumental in getting the first fuel reduction grants on private lands. He was very supportive of the community's opposition to the construction of Freeman's Dam in 1999, which would have flooded much of the Moonshine Road area. He supported us in many other ways such as attending every 8th grade graduation and giving a community service award to an outstanding student.

Hal grew a large vegetable garden and continued to work in it after he retired from office. Every year we enjoyed the fine produce he donated to our Gardeners' Market. We will miss you, Hal, and thanks again for those wonderful watermelons!



Photos by Rod Bondurant



**Hal Stocker**  
Former Yuba County  
5th District  
Supervisor  
from 1995-2015



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## New Loaner Life Jacket Program at New Bullards Bar and Lake Francis

By Alex Boesch, Yuba Water Agency

To further promote recreation and water safety, Yuba Water Agency has partnered with Yuba County to establish the **Life Jacket Loaner Program**.

Four loaner stations have been installed at New Bullards Bar Reservoir and Lake Francis to increase the use and accessibility of life jackets and prevent drowning-related incidents. Each of the stations is stocked with 20 life jackets of various sizes which are available to borrow at no charge on a first-come, first-served basis.

"Safety is always our number one priority in everything we do," said Yuba Water General Manager Willie Whittlesey. "This program will help ensure that those who don't own or have access to life jackets still have the opportunity to recreate safely."

Three loaner stations have been installed at New Bullards Bar – one near the Emerald Cove Marina and boat ramp, and two at the Dark Day camping area and boat ramp. A fourth station was installed at Lake Francis on the public side of the lake near the Lake Francis Resort.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, from 2005 to 2014 there were an average of 3,868 fatal unintentional drownings annually in the United States, which is approximately 10 drowning deaths every day.

"It only takes a moment. In the time it takes to check a fishing line, flip a hamburger on a BBQ, or apply sunscreen, a child without a life vest can drown," said Megan Marshall, Deputy Director of Public Health for the Yuba County Department of Health and Human Services.

In September of 2019, Yuba Water granted Yuba County more than \$47,600 for the installation of the loaner stations and cost of the program during its first year. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, both agencies made the decision to hold off stocking the stations until they deemed it was publicly safe to do so. Learn more at [yubawater.org](http://yubawater.org)

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## Remembering Scott Pope

On Monday, April 26th, 2021, Scott "The Pope" Pope, loving husband, father, and grandfather, passed away at the age of 66. Scott had a successful, lifelong career at Chevron and loved spending time with his family on the Yuba River. *The Pope* was funny and spontaneous, often taking road trips on a whim and never shying away from a practical joke.

He will be greatly missed, but he will live on in the hearts of his family and friends. Scott was preceded in death by his son, Justin, father, Robert, his mother, Lucille, and his stepmother, Bel. He is survived by his wife Chris, his son Mike, his daughter-in-law Stephanie, his granddaughter Justine Bel, his siblings, Cathy, Stephanie, Lon, and Patty, and several nieces.



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(From Our Volunteer Fire Department)



On top of all of this, there will always be someone knocking at your door in the event of an evacuation. This could be Law Enforcement, the US Forest Service, CalFire, or any of us volunteers. It depends on the specifics of the fire, and the order of events that take place during the evacuation. They will be able to inform you of the best evacuation routes based on the fire's severity and position. It is best that you have an evacuation bag (Go-Bag) and a pre-coordinated plan with your family. Never be afraid to reach out to community members or neighbors to give or seek help!

In an effort to conserve water, our department has recently installed two 5,000 gallon water tanks to pump into our trucks for fires. This is a big step in the right direction for the next couple of hot and dry months!

Training is still every Tuesday night from 6-9 pm. Remember that there is always something valuable and interesting to learn. Come on up to the station at 15410 Mill Street!

For more information contact Brandi Dudek, CVFD Fire Chief, AEMT at 288-3303 or 305-4495.



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## Monkey Mind: Making History

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 July – Jesse



Sign at Juneteenth celebration, Marysville 2021

On June 19th – Juneteenth – I sat with folks from the Yuba-Sutter Racial Dialogues group at a table in Yuba Park, Marysville, fanning ourselves in the 100° heat while we tried to absorb the news that Juneteenth is now a federal holiday, voted in unanimously by the US Senate, where agreement is rarer than a cool summer day here in the Sierra foothills.

History seemed dry and boring in school – all the conflicts long ago settled, all the heroes and villains firmly in place, everyone seeming to agree that ours is the best of all possible worlds. It wasn't until much later that I understood that official history is written by, for, and about the winners, from the point of view that justifies their winning. Perhaps the dryness comes from leaving so much struggle and so many truths out of the story.

Juneteenth, as a celebration of the end of slavery, is a step toward acknowledging the history of the rest of us – the ones still struggling for the rights promised in the Declaration of Independence – to "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." It's not a celebration for one group of people – it's a celebration for us all.

Ms. Opal Lee, the 94-year-old champion of Juneteenth, put it this way – "We have simply got to make people aware that none of us are free until we're all free, and we aren't free yet. There's so many disparities. You know, we need some decent education and some decent jobs that pay money, and we need health care and all kinds of things. And if people would just get together and address these disparities, we'd be well on our way to being the greatest country in the world."



Want to discuss? Email [monkeymindthecolumn@gmail.com](mailto:monkeymindthecolumn@gmail.com) or message @monkeymindthecolumn on Facebook.

## Accomplishments and Happenings at the Community Center

By Richard Dickard, CCSD Liaison

Here's the July news from the Center:



- Masks are *not* required for individuals vaccinated for COVID.
- New LED ceiling lighting has been installed in the Community Room and kitchen entrance areas.
- Saturday Coffee@the Center is happening. 15–20 people are regularly attending.
- Yoga and Qi Gong classes are being held at the Center. (See back page for details)
- The Sri Moonshine Music Series began June 26th with an amazing concert by nationally acclaimed pianist Sarah Cahill.
- Mark your calendars for the next two Sri Moonshine concerts: **Sunday, July 18th** for guitarists Gyan Riley and Peppino D'Agostino (see back cover), and **Saturday, August 21st** for Thollem, electronic keyboard artist.
- Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) events: CCSD employee, Liz Frankland, will be working with PG&E when Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) events occur. PG&E has provided and installed a backup generator for use during these times.

The next major goal is to complete the front of the building. Watch for the **Local Treasure Fundraiser** beginning in July. Stay tuned for how you can help raise the funds to get the front of the Center completed!

There is also a donation button on the home page of the Community Center's website. To donate please visit us at [www.camptonvillecommunitycenter.org](http://www.camptonvillecommunitycenter.org).

A thrilling  
performance by  
Sarah Cahill on  
Terry Riley's  
Kingsbury piano  
June 26, 2021



Photo by Shirley Dickard



## It's HOT out there!

By Katie O'Hara-Kelly, North Yuba Naturalist

Unfortunately, weather-wise it's been in the 100s for several days this week. It was way too hot for us humans, and made me wonder how wildlife copes with excessive heat. Here's what I've learned:

Most mammals are active at night and don't have to deal with extreme heat. During a hot day, they remain inactive in the shade. If a **Black Bear** is active during the day, its thick coat of hair can insulate it somewhat from the heat. However, if it stays out in the sun too long, it can indeed overheat. To cool off, a Black Bear will retreat to the shade, possibly stretch out and lie down on its sparsely furred belly to cool off, drink from a water source, or even wade in a river!



This **Steller's Jay** isn't squawking in alarm; it's panting to get rid of excess heat. When it exhales or pants, heat leaves the body with the breath. Birds can also keep from overheating by seeking shade, spreading out their feathers, bathing in water, and becoming less active. It was amazing how few birds we saw and how quiet it was in the hottest part of the day!


**Reptiles** are ectotherms, which means they are dependent on external sources to maintain their body heat. To regulate their body heat they will bask in the sun when it's cool and hide in the shade when it's too hot. It turns out that extremely hot temperatures can kill a snake within 10-20 minutes. So when the air temperature reaches the high 90s and into the 100s, reptiles seek out shade and wait for the temperature to drop.

**Banana Slugs** retreat into damp shade in hot weather. They are mainly active at night, as well as morning and evening. If it's severely hot, they coat themselves in a thick layer of slime and forest duff, roll up in a safe place, and estivate (become dormant).

So wildlife has a variety of ways to beat the heat. Myself, I'm heading to the river!



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Katie O'Hara-Kelly



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K-8 grade student and graduate  
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Achievement award winner

### Rocco Querequencia

K-8 grade student and graduate.  
Cougar Citizenship award winner

### Bryson Stoll

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winner.

### Izick Benham

Graduate

### Clayton Nettles

Flowers

Graduate

### Sam Buhl

Graduate



Photo by Jessica Prince





## "...to create a kinder and gentler world"

– Quote By: Joan Journey

By Christina Dondono, 1,2,3 Grow

This quote from Joan Journey, our much loved and greatly missed longtime community member, reminds me of our 1,2,3 Grow philosophy. We learn so much in our day-to-day lives from experiences, encounters, opportunities, and observations. Trends evolve and we follow them at times. So with that said, let us all start a kinder and gentler trend with tender words, a smile shared to pass along, and let's not forget a little loving forgiveness. I like to think it spreads good luck among us.

In our mornings spent together in 1,2,3 Grow, we share what works for us and try what works for you. I believe that sharing a personal quality or knack plants seeds for a brighter tomorrow.

Farewell for now...the 2020/2021 school year ended with some much-needed fun in the sun for the whole school. We all gathered on the playground and celebrated together. Making new friends and sharing our snack time routine with a few new friends was so special for us! Keep an eye out for information regarding school reopening this August.

1,2,3 Grow is a program developed for children ages 0-5 years and their families. We are open 3 days a week during the school year for 3-hour sessions. For more information, please call me, Christina Dondono, at 288-9355, or email: [christina@theccp.org](mailto:christina@theccp.org).

***You are not what you say you'll do.  
You are what you do.*** – Carl Jung



Ketana, Ayda, Madalin, Kennedy, and Kinley group hug on the playground



Waylon, Ruby, Thea, and Kennedy on the bench under the apple tree

Photos by Christina Dondono

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## Yuba Water Agency Pledges \$6.5 million to Community Projects in Yuba County

By Bonnie Dickson, Yuba Water Agency

Yuba Water Agency's Board of Directors recently approved \$6.5 million for a range of projects to improve public safety and enhance the quality of life for Yuba County residents. This is the first group of grants approved by Yuba Water since adoption of its new Community Impact Grant and Loan Program last October.



The program created a formal process for the fair and effective distribution of agency funds to Yuba County efforts that align with six strategic program areas. These areas are: **flood risk reduction, water supply and water management, watershed resilience, water conservation, water education, and the agency's Bill Shaw Rescue Equipment and Training Grant Program.**

The Yuba Water Agency Board of Directors has committed to spending up to \$10 million per year on these types of community impact grants, and this new program helps the board prioritize how to best invest those funds. The majority of grants go to projects that reduce flood risk and protect Yuba County's water supply, the two primary missions of the agency.

*The following is a synopsis of recently-awarded grants. Visit [yubawater.org](http://yubawater.org) to read the complete descriptions.*

**1) Building watershed resilience to reduce catastrophic wildfire risk:** Three grants from Yuba Water totaling more than \$1.5 million will advance forest restoration and wildfire resilience work.

- A \$1.4 million cash flow loan was awarded to the **Camptonville Community Partnership** to cover initial costs to connect a proposed biomass plant to Pacific Gas & Electric facilities. This loan will allow the partnership to close the financing for the project in 2021. This timeline is important because it will enable the partnership to take advantage of a \$7 million federal tax credit program before it expires this year and leverage more than \$26 million in existing grants and loans to help the biomass plant achieve commercial operation. Once complete, the facility will create a market for forest biomass, using it to generate clean electricity and provide power and woody materials for co-located businesses.

- A \$75,000 grant to the **Yuba Watershed Protection and Firesafe Council** will help staff complete environmental planning associated with the council's Yuba Roadside Fuel Treatment Project, which aims to reduce wildfire risk for Yuba County's eastern foothill communities and support the area's five rural fire districts. This planning grant from Yuba Water is expected to help leverage future funding from Cal Fire and others to begin project implementation.

- A \$50,000 grant to the Loma Rica and Browns Valley Community Services District will cover the installation of a new 30,000-gallon water storage tank at the Loma Rica Fire Station, which serves Loma Rica, Browns Valley, and the surrounding area.

**2) Reducing flood risk for people and property:** Three grants totaling \$4,542,000 were awarded to the Marysville Levee District (\$3.4 million), Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority (\$1.1 million), and Reclamation District 10 (\$12,000) to complete various flood risk reduction work in higher-risk areas.

**3) Ensuring a reliable water supply and sustainable water management:** A single \$280,000 grant was awarded to Linda County Water District to expand infrastructure that improves water supply reliability for the community of Linda.

**4) Promoting water conservation and well-being of local residents:** A \$86,210 grant to the Yuba County Office of Education will support the installation of touchless water bottle filling stations at all of Yuba County's public schools. Yuba Water's grant leverages \$68,735 in funds the Regional Waste Management Authority from a Cal Recycles grant and contributions from Pace Supply.

**5) Expanding water education opportunities:** A \$52,170 grant to the South Yuba River Citizens League will support the organization's salmon expedition river raft trips for up to 700 Yuba County fourth-graders.

**6) Bill Shaw Rescue Equipment and Training grants:** Four \$10,000 grants were awarded to the Marysville Fire Department, Marysville Police Department, City of Wheatland Fire Authority, and the Yuba County Sheriff's Posse.

Yuba Water launched its Bill Shaw grants in 2018 based on a suggestion from an employee who was severely injured and wanted to help those who had helped him. Bill Shaw grants are exclusively for first-responder agencies in Yuba County and cover one-time costs of up to \$10,000 per applicant, per fiscal year, associated with the purchase of rescue equipment or personnel training.

Yuba Water has granted nearly \$17 million for community impact projects since 2017. All the recently approved grants and loan were previously reviewed and recommended by agency staff and the board's Project Operations and Development Committee. Eligible grantees must be a local government agency, tax-exempt non-profit, or Native American tribe within Yuba County.

Learn more about Yuba Water's Community Impact Grant and Loan Program at [yubawater.org](http://yubawater.org).



## Community Meeting on Yuba River Ranger District's Plans to Close Camptonville Site

By Cathy LeBlanc, CCP

Solutionary action was our quest for this June 17th community meeting with USFS Yuba River Ranger District (YRRD) Ranger, Lon Henderson, Eli Ilano, Tahoe National Forest (TNF) Supervisor, and ten community folks from Camptonville and Sierra County. Together we helped identify issues related to the planned closure of the USFS office at Hwy 49 and Marysville Road. Because this will not go into effect until 2025, we all have sufficient time to work with the USFS to address community concerns and create solutionary action. This move would mainly affect Administration employees, not Recreation or Fire.



### Here's a rundown of key issues:

- **Core Identity of Camptonville:** Our town has a long history with the USFS. We are the people who live within and love this forest. For the 40 years I've been here, I've witnessed this connection many times, such as during the Pendola Fire where many of us Camptonville folks volunteered or went to work as temporary employees to help feed and transport USFS personnel, and the USFS employees' yearly saving fund donated to help a Camptonville "someone" make it through a rough time.
- **Employment:** The USFS is the largest employer here, and we want to keep it that way! Most felt this was the key issue that affected community identity. Eli reminded us the USFS will start to advertise for hiring in December for the January 2022 season. It was also decided to look into the Student Hiring Authority as a vehicle to strengthen the youth employment connection.
- **Lack of housing for permanent and seasonal USFS employees:** When it came to affordable housing options for both long-term and seasonal employees, we wondered if there is unidentified seasonal housing available within the community.
- **Visitor Information Station:** Without the building, where is the USFS "face" in Camptonville? Ideas included establishing a satellite kiosk/visitor center for the Forest Service. And, how can the USFS-owned land at Vista Point and the Pike City Road properties be better utilized?
- **Healthy Communication:** The USFS YRRD agreed to establish ongoing Forest Health Forum with local quarterly meetings. This forum will be a cooperative effort between the USFS and the Camptonville community to discuss the key issues listed above with key decision makers, such as the District Ranger and County Supervisor. Lon also suggested we explore the Forest Hill Forum model.

**Coming soon:** Full meeting notes from CCP will be posted on: [www.camptonville.com](http://www.camptonville.com). I'd love to hear more from the community and those who might be interested in partnering to coordinate Forum efforts. Call 288-9355 or email [cathy@theccp.org](mailto:cathy@theccp.org)



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**Highlights of our community-driven activities  
in the Yuba County foothills:**

- Youth enrichment and skill building projects
- Family Resource Center
- Community Health Action Plan

- 1, 2, 3 Grow
- Parent participation child enrichment for 0-5 year olds
- The Camptonville Courier

**Development of:**  
Community-scale forest biomass to energy facility  
and business center

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## Tahoe National Forest–Yuba River Ranger District

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**The Tahoe National Forest is starting to open offices in some locations. The Nevada City Supervisor's Office will be opened 9:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday-Friday (265-4531).**

### • Fire restrictions and guidelines for the Tahoe National Forest

Please note, fire restrictions may be superseded; check the current Forest Orders at: [www.fs.usda.gov/tahoe](http://www.fs.usda.gov/tahoe). Forest visitors are encouraged to "Know Before You Go" and call ahead to the local Ranger Station to check on location, conditions, and restrictions. Forest Use Restrictions are in place to protect the public and natural resources. They are designed to reduce human-caused fires. Wildfire suppression is very expensive. Most wildfires per year are human-caused on the Tahoe National Forest.

• **California Residential Burn Permits are currently REQUIRED.** You can obtain your California Residential Burn Permit at: <https://burnpermit.fire.ca.gov/>. Go to: *Apply for a Permit, Play Video*, and then go to *Apply Now*, and follow instruction to fill out your information, city, and county in which you will be burning. Print permit when completed. If you have any problems you may call the Yuba River Ranger District for assistance at 362-8259.

• **Firewood Cutting Permits: The Tahoe National Forest Firewood Cutting permit process has changed. Fuelwood permits are currently not required. Call for further information at the Yuba River District Office at 362-8259.**

• BEFORE cutting, always call the fuelwood cutting hotline: 478-6176.  
• In addition, the following requirements are still in place: Gathering of firewood on private land is not authorized. It is your responsibility to determine the ownership of the land before cutting. If you have any doubts or questions, please contact the nearest Ranger District.

Many services traditionally offered in our public offices are available online at: [www.fs.usda.gov/tahoe](http://www.fs.usda.gov/tahoe), including: California Campfire Permits, California Residential Burn Permit, Annual, Lifetime, and Senior Federal Recreation Passes, and Forest Maps.

## School News

By Patrick Brose,  
Superintendent/Principal,  
Camptonville Elementary  
School



Summer is here, and for most of our community it is a chance to take a little break from all of the normal school year action. For me, I am spending my summer taking care of my wife (who just had major hip surgery) and my kids. We are hoping to get in some fishing, swimming, and sleeping in. Not much travel for us this year, but lots of time with the family. I hope you all have a chance to spend time with each other and enjoy all that our wonderful mountain community has to offer. I will publish a bunch of back to school information in this space in the August *Courier*. Until then...relax!

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(Except we're closed the week of USDA distributions)

July 1, 5, 22, 29 and August 5, 19, 26

### The USDA Commodities Food Bank

Located at Willow Glen Restaurant, Oregon House

The 2nd Friday: 10:30–11:30 am

July 9 and August 13

Distributed by The Gleaners.

### North San Juan Food Bank, Nevada County

Located at the Family Resource Center, Oak Tree School

The 2nd Tuesday, 10 am–Noon

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Call 292-3174 for hours and information

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### Integrated Behavioral Health

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[www.community.zonehaven.com](http://www.community.zonehaven.com)

## HELP & HOPE

For emergencies first call 911.

All area codes are 530 unless otherwise specified.

### CAMPTONVILLE:

- Cemetery ————— 559-1629
- Community Center ————— 288-5016
- Community Partnership (CCP) ————— 288-9355
- Community Services District (CCSD) ————— 288-3676
- Elementary School ————— 288-3277
- Family Resource Center (CCP) ————— 288-9355  
Hours 8:30 am–12:30 pm, Tues/Wed/Thurs
- Post Office ————— 288-3348  
Hours 11 am–1 pm, 1:45–3:45 pm, M-F
- Volunteer Fire Department ————— 288-3303
- Water Plant ————— 775-980-7138
- Yuba River Ranger District ————— 362-8259/288-3231

Alcoholics Anonymous: Local 24 hr Hotline — 272-6287

Burn Day Status ([www.fraqmd.org](http://www.fraqmd.org)) ————— 741-6299

CA Rural Legal Assistance (Yuba Co) ————— 742-5191

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

Domestic Violence:

Casa de Esperanza Hot Line (Yuba Co) ————— 674-2040

DVSAC Crisis Line (Nevada Co) ————— 272-3467

KNCO 830 AM (Nevada Co) ————— 477-5626

KUBA 1600 AM (Yuba Co) ————— 673-5400

KVMR 89.5 FM (Nevada Co) ————— 265-9555

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

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

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

PG&E Outage Line ————— 800-743-5000

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

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

Sheriff (Yuba Co) Emergency ————— 911

Sheriff (Yuba Co) Non-Emergency ————— 749-7777

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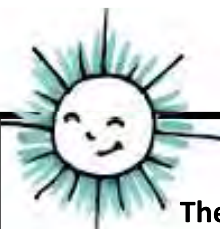
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## JULY 2021 Community Calendar

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To add local events to the calendar, send an invitation from your electronic calendar or email: [calendarville@gmail.com](mailto:calendarville@gmail.com)

**July 18th - Sri Moonshine Concert: Gyan and Peppino (Pg 2)**

**August 7th - Camptonville Gardeners' Market Begins (Pg 2)**

**August 21st - Sri Moonshine Concert: Thollem (pg 7)**

**September 11th - CVFD Picnic (Pg 3)**

### MONTHLY Events

(CCC = Camptonville Community Center)

Call first to verify meeting times before attending

**CCP Board** - Meets 3rd Wednesday, 1 pm  
Resource Center. Contact: 288-9355

**CCSD Board** - Meets 4th Thursday, 6:30 pm, CCC  
Contact: 559-1629

**School Board** - Meets 3rd Thursday, 5 pm, at CV School  
Call to confirm: 288-3277

### WEEKLY Events

**Tuesdays:** Yoga, 5 pm, School Gym  
Camptonville Fire Dept Trainings, 6-9 pm, Fire Hall

**Thursdays:** Yoga, 10 am, CCC

**Saturdays:** Coffee @ The Center, 10 am-Noon, CCC  
Qi Gong, 12:30 pm, CCC

**All Food Banks - See Page 13**

