



## 2022 Fire Season Begins! The Golden Fire – May 20

### The Golden Fire

By Russ Brown, Yuba County Media and Community Relations Coordinator

Over 100 firefighters and 11 aircraft worked together to stop the progress of a blaze, dubbed the Golden Fire, south of Camptonville (near Highway 49) in Yuba County that started just after 6 am on May 20 and grew to about 25 acres by noon.

Sheriff Deputies assisted in helping residents evacuate safely, going door-to-door and using hi-low sirens to alert residents to the danger. CodeRED emergency alerts were also used to notify residents within evacuation zones. Zonehaven provided the community with critical evacuation updates based on designated zones within the county. Details on your specific zone can be found at <https://community.zonehaven.com>.

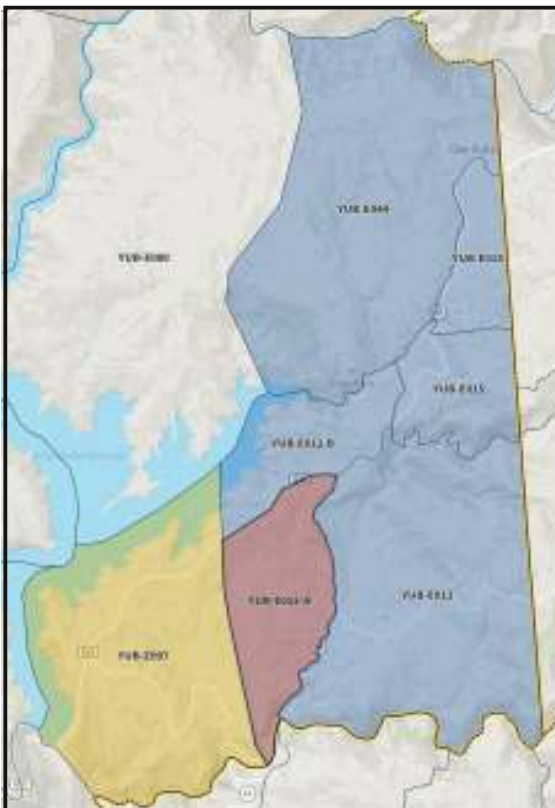
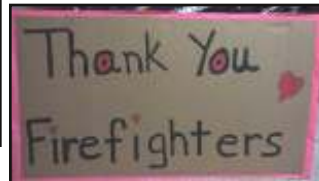
Yuba County Office of Emergency Services (OES) staff worked to coordinate services and provide updates to the community.



Photo by Shonti Burke



Photo by Geoff Burke



### How Were You Notified?

By Shirley DickKard, Editor

To be notified of emergencies and evacuations, you must sign up for **CodeRed** and **ZoneHaven**. Most people living near the recent Golden Fire were able to rely on CodeRed and ZoneHaven to monitor the fire's progress and know when to evacuate. If you haven't signed up, please do so now – this is only the beginning of fire season!

**First, know which ZONE you live in.** (<https://community.zonehaven.com>). This map shows that in the Golden Fire, Zone YUB-E012-A had a Mandatory Evacuation; YUB-E097, an Evacuation Warning; and YUB-E013, YUB-E012B, YUB-E015, YUB-E014, YUB-E044 had Evacuation Advisories. To find your zone, click on your location on the Zonehaven map, then sign up for alerts in the pop-up box. OES has handy refrigerator magnets to write your zone on.

**Register for CodeRED emergency alerts:**

<https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/FBE5B4D6F361>. If you sign up, you will get a phone and/or text message with vital information during an emergency.

## From the Editor – Shirley Dickard

May 20, 2022: I knew it was not going to be a normal day when I awoke at 4 am and the power was out. The tubular windchimes had shifted from melodious serenity to an alarming clang, announcing that, yes, this was going to be a red flag day for sure. A few hours later, I caught whiffs of smoke and heard the drone of circling aircraft – fire season had begun.

Hardly ten days earlier, we had an unexpected late frost that caught gardeners by surprise and nipped their veggies in the bud (see page 10). Expect the unexpected? I recently talked with a retired US Forest Service District Ranger who reflected that Camptonville always seems to pull together in stressful times, like the Christmas Club that fed firefighters on the night of the Golden Fire (page 12). In these unpredictable times, we need each other more than ever.

## Updates from the Yuba River Ranger District



By Amanda Siciliano, USFS

- Our Camptonville office is closed until further notice.
- You can still contact the Yuba River Ranger District at 530-362-8259, Monday-Friday, 8:30 am-4:30 pm. In-person appointments can be made for some services.
- The Nevada City Supervisor's Office is open 9 am-4:30 pm, Monday-Friday, 530-265-4531.
- Most campgrounds are open. Reservations can be made at [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov).

**Residential Burn Permits are SUSPENDED** in Nevada, Yuba, and Placer counties as of May 23, 2022. This means that **NO** residential burning of any kind, **EVEN IF YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY OBTAINED A RESIDENTIAL BURN PERMIT.**

At this time, campfires are still allowed in the fire rings and BBQ pits provided within the USFS campgrounds.

**From Cal Fire:** While outdoor burning of landscape debris by homeowners is no longer allowed, Cal Fire is asking residents to take that extra time to prepare your home for wildfire by creating defensible space and hardening your home ahead of wildfires.

Here are some tips to help prepare homes and property:

- Clear all dead and or dying vegetation to 100 feet from around all structures.
- Landscape with fire resistant plants and non-flammable ground cover.
- Find alternative ways to dispose of landscape debris, like chipping or hauling it to a biomass energy or green waste facility.

## Election Day is Tuesday, June 7

Camptonville's polling place is the Alcouffe Center in Oregon House, from 7 am-8 pm, on June 7. You can mail your ballots for free. They must be postmarked on or before June 7. You can also drop ballots off at our polling place at the Alcouffe Center on June 7.



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## Raffle for Community is ON!

By Jesse Golden

Raffle for Community is ON! This raffle supports renovations and ongoing expenses at the Camptonville Community Center.

**Tickets are on sale at the Lost Nugget Market and during Coffee @ the Center on Saturdays.**

**Prizes will be drawn June 25 at the Camptonville Country Faire, in front of the Community Center.**

(You need not be present to win.)

**Raffle prizes include cash, plus gifts and services from:**

**A to Z Supply**

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## Qi Gong, Saturdays at 12:30 at the Center

By Sema Kelly

Qi Gong is a way to calm the wandering mind and balance and strengthen the body at the same time. That is the beauty and promise of Qi Gong: it works on harmonizing both body and mind, through graceful, fun, and strengthening movements.

Consistently, people report feeling better even after one hour of Qi Gong. We learn to gather the chi (energy), circulate it, and store it (for when we're challenged with illness or poor health).

All ability levels are welcome. Class is held on **Saturdays at 12:30 pm, soon after Coffee at the Center.** Come Join Us!

## Monthly Art Share at The Center

By Katie O'Hara-Kelly

I would like to invite all fellow visual artists to join us in our monthly informal Art Share at the Camptonville Community Center starting **Saturday, June 11th, from 10-11 am.** We started doing this two years ago and would like to begin it again!

The plan is to work at home on an assigned theme, and then once a month bring in whatever you were inspired to make to the Art Share. You can make anything in any medium, from fabric to crayons, and you don't have to use our suggested theme. Make whatever you want. So far, in the past, five of us shared our art. We welcome anyone else who would like to join us! The suggested theme for our first meeting is "COLOR."



## June 25th – Camptonville Country Faire and Parade

By Tyann Flower, CCP

This year's Country Faire will be held **Saturday, June 25, from 2-5 pm**, in "downtown Camptonville." Come out and join the community in this exciting annual event. We look forward to sharing this Saturday afternoon with our local neighbors.

**Decorate A Float Contest!** Float participants are to gather at 1:30 pm at the Camptonville School parking lot for line-up and judging. There are cash prizes for first, second, and third place winners, with a top prize award of \$50! Decorate your truck, car, bike, boat, pets, and more. Please join us just for the fun of a Camptonville Parade and the opportunity to place in the top three of this event. Judging will take place before the parade.

If you are interested in participating in the parade or would like a booth for your crafts or community information (non-flea-market please), contact Tyann at 530-288-9355. Booth spaces are free. Sponsored by CCP and the Community Center.



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## Plant Sale and Flea Market Thanks!

By Jesse Golden

Many thanks to all those who helped make the May 14 Camptonville Plant Sale and Flea Market such a success. We had great plant vendors, amazing crafts, and some super flea market bargains!

Thanks so much to **Carolyn Mumm**, promoter extraordinaire; **Mike and Randy** at the Lost Nugget Market; set-up volunteers **Ruby Cook and Lian Ball**, day-of volunteers **Cathy LeBlanc, Jim Esry, Lucille Rovnak, Jody Deaderick, and Bob Bagley**; all the vendors and tablers who made it a great day; and finally, **the swarming lady bugs** who blessed us all with their presence!



And Thanks to Plant Sale Coordinator Extraordinaire, **Jesse Golden!**



Photos by Shirley Dickard





## Camptonville School 2022 Graduates!

By Patrick Brose, Superintendent/Principal

This year, we have three wonderful graduates from our 8th grade class. Each has been an amazing member of the Camptonville community and are certain to continue on to great things in the future. Please join me in congratulating our

2022 Camptonville Graduates!

Photos by Patrick Brose



**Nola Black**

A lifetime Camptonville School student, Nola has left a major imprint on our school. She is a dynamic artist, a friend to all, and a solid academic student. Her peers describe her as caring, thoughtful, and friendly, and she can frequently be seen helping our youngest children. She has an infectious smile and brings out the best in all around her. Nola is an exemplary Camptonville Cougar!



**Robert Dusablon**

Another lifetime Camptonville School student, Robert is a joy to have on our campus. His witty sense of humor, hysterical jokes, and positive demeanor are always fun to be around. He has grown so much in his years at Camptonville School that you would hardly recognize him from the Kindergartener he started as. A hard worker and thoughtful person, Robert is an amazing part of our school!



**Trent Venable**

Trent has been at Camptonville School since 1st grade. He is known by all students and staff as a “gentle giant” and one that all students look up to. He carries himself with calm and patience for everyone and is seen as the “big buddy” to every student. Trent is a hard worker and a prime example of the quality of person who graduates from Camptonville School. Trent is a wonderful Cougar!

## Scoop of School

By Alexis Lamb, CUESD Office Specialist

Thanks, everyone, for your generous donations at the Plant Sale! Snickerdoodles reigned supreme, scones were scarfed, and the enchiladas were gone in twenty minutes. A huge thank you to **Rod Bondurant and Rochelle Bell** for lending their unstoppable team effort to the school! Special thanks also to **Mary Yager, Candy and Earl Davis**, and, of course, to **Jesse Golden** for organizing and not making me fight anyone for the electrical outlet in a kiddie-pool filled with live crayfish :)

School is wrapping up; when you read this we will have one week left, culminating in a Field Day. May has been bright and cheerful, despite the State Testing. On testing days, spirits were buoyed by contributions of food by our remarkable Parents Club. Amazing how popcorn can give that lil’ extra boost to wee brains! Our halls are full of bright spring artwork, and we’re looking forward to seeing many of you at *Show It Off Night* on June 2!



**Rochelle and Alexis selling homemade goodies for the school at the Plant Sale**

Photo by Shirley DickKard

## Saving for Retirement

By Monica Murgia

Everyone needs to save for their future, but knowing how to do so successfully can seem like a mystery. Most schools don't offer personal finance courses on saving, investing, retirement, or taxes. Full retirement benefits are available at the age of 67 years, and the average life expectancy in the United States is 78.7 years. Social Security is designed to replace 40% of pre-retirement income. To make up the 60% gap in income during your golden years, everyone needs to save and invest over the course of their working years. Most experts agree that \$1,000,000 is the average benchmark amount for Americans to retire.

To help you reach this goal, the U.S. Government has several tax advantaged savings accounts available to you. If you have an employer, you are eligible for the following:

1) 401(k): This is a retirement plan offered through an employer, so you will have to verify your eligibility. You can contribute an amount of your income to the 401(k), which is deducted from your taxable income. Your employer may match a certain portion of your contributions.

2) Individual Retirement Plan (IRA): An IRA is eligible for individuals with earned income. The amount contributed cannot be more than the amount you earn. The contribution limit is \$6,000 a year, or \$7,000 if you are 50 years old or over and is tax deductible.

3) Roth IRA: The contributions limits are the same as an IRA. Unlike an IRA, you'll pay taxes on the amount you contribute to a Roth IRA. However, the money grows tax-free in the account, and no income tax will be due on Roth IRA withdrawals in retirement. A Roth IRA does not require that you take distributions in retirement.

If you're self-employed, you can establish one of the following types of retirement plans for your business. They allow you to deduct both contributions and start-up costs of the plan for yourself and your eligible employees. You can even start one of these plans if you are a sole proprietor!

4) Simplified Employee Pension (SEP)

5) Simple IRA

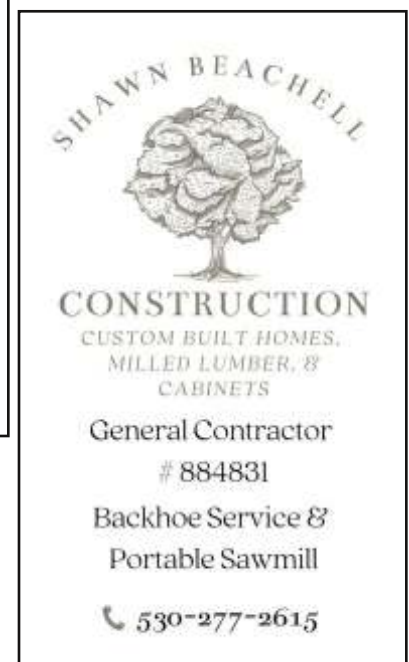
6) Simple 401(k)

If you're interested in learning more, please contact me at [MurgiaFinancial@gmail.com](mailto:MurgiaFinancial@gmail.com).

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Monica and Shawn at their Plant Sale booth





## Remembering Bill Ramirez; Saying Goodbye to Barbara

By Brooke Sharp

In 2011, Bill and Barbara Ramirez, parents of Camptonville's very own fire chief Brandi Dudek, decided, after countless visits and falling in love with nature, to pack up and leave Southern California to make Camptonville their home. It took a bit, but Barbara decided to get involved, joining Camptonville's Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary and taking on several projects and events. Some of you remember the Country Faire, well, that is an event planned by Barbara, which is slated to return this June. Bill, always being a behind the scenes supporter, attended these events and was known to offer a smile and a "how are you doing?"



Bill and Barbara Ramirez

Barbara enjoys playing Bunco and even took a ceramics class where she could let her talent shine and exhibit her art. Some of you may have driven by their house and seen Bill outside piddling around doing this and that, which was his most favorite thing to do. His walks to the post office to check the mail or to take out the trash cans were routine for Bill; he never complained, and enjoyed nature.

After a short battle with COVID which caused Bill to severely weaken, and two hospital stays, Bill decided to come home with Hospice assistance to live his final days with his family. On April 25, 2022, Bill passed away with his loving wife (Barbara) of 55 years, daughters (Brandi and Brooke), son-in-law (Mike) and grandsons (Nick and Brandon) at his side. Barbara has chosen to relocate back down to Southern California and live with her daughter Brooke and family. Barbara will leave Camptonville at the end of June, so if you get a chance, don't forget to say goodbye. Bill and Barbara will be greatly missed and want to thank the entire town of Camptonville for their wonderful welcome, love, and support for the last 11 years.



## Allan (Stuart) Johnson

By Rochelle Bell, Camptonville Historical Society

Allan (Stuart) Johnson unexpectedly passed away May 3rd. He was 73 years old. Allan was a nephew of Leland Pauly. Many of you remember Leland as a lifelong resident and leading figure in Camptonville who served in many roles including postmaster. Leland was also our historian and collector of historical photos and stories.

A focus of the Historical Society has been sorting and preserving Leland's collection. A very generous donation from Allan was instrumental in the creation of the Leland K. Pauly Museum in the Community Center. Allan would often visit his favorite uncle to help with projects around the house. Andy Cassano, who grew up in Camptonville, was a lifelong friend and wrote a heartfelt tribute which can be found on the Facebook page "Growing up and living in Camptonville."



Allan presenting a donation for the museum to the Camptonville Historical Society.

Allan Johnson (R) and CHS members (L to R) Rochelle Bell, Rod Bondurant, Stephanie Korney

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## Nestlings and Fledglings!

By Katie O'Hara-Kelly, North Yuba Naturalist

This month, lots of baby birds will hatch out from their eggs. Except for waterfowl, most nestlings are altricial (born in an undeveloped state), and require care and feeding by their parents. Usually nestlings remain in the nest for approximately 2-3 weeks. The bigger the bird, the longer the nesting period. When a nestling grows its flight feathers and is ready to leave the nest, it takes its first flight (fledges), and flutters to the ground. A bird that has just fledged is called a fledgling. Since these young fledglings cannot fly, most will live on the ground for a week or more, while their flight feathers continue to grow and their wing muscles get stronger. The parents will continue to feed the fledglings on the ground, until they are able to fly. Once fledglings can fly and feed themselves, they are called juveniles.

### IF YOU FIND A FLEDGLING ON THE GROUND, PLEASE JUST LEAVE IT ALONE!

If you pick it up, your human scent will make it easier for it to be found by a predator. The parent birds will continue to care for the fledgling until it can fly. If you have a cat, keep it inside and away from the fledgling.

The best thing to do is to leave wild things wild!

There is a local group of experts, Wildlife Rehabilitation & Release, that can care for injured or abandoned birds, but only those found in Nevada County. If necessary, please call them for more information at 530-432-5522 or check out their website at [www.cawildlife911.org](http://www.cawildlife911.org).



Baby Blue Jays

Photo by Katie O'Hara-Kelly



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## Embarking on New Paths: 1,2,3 Grow Graduation – June 3

By Christina Dondono, 1,2,3, Grow



Camptonville Community Partnership's 1,2,3 Grow program is proud to announce that four children will be transitioning from our program into kindergarten this coming fall.

Congratulations to **Ayda, Colton, Darlene, and Kennedy!**

This special moment of growth certainly feels bittersweet, for it is where we close one door and embark on a new path. The five years we spent together allowed me to connect with each and every one of them, and I will hold the memories in my heart forever.

Come celebrate these four children with us **Friday evening, June 3, 6 pm, at Camptonville School** and bring a potluck dish for our celebration after the ceremony. Please contact me with any questions at [christina@theccp.org](mailto:christina@theccp.org) or call CCP at 530-288-9355.

This year 1,2,3 Grow made great changes to help our "blossoms" (as we call the big kids in our classroom) be ready for kindergarten. We altered the structure of the classroom, updated routine, restructured classroom space (i.e. centers), and we purchased thematic curricular models that have been so very fun to implement.

We have been able to visit the kindergarten classroom and work side by side with this year's kindergarteners to gain familiarity with the future classroom and gain exposure to the next transition. We even made a field trip this year to the Ananda Tulip Garden, which will become a new Earth Day tradition.

If you are interested in enrolling your child in the 1,2,3 Grow Program for the 2022/2023 school year, contact me at [christina@theccp.org](mailto:christina@theccp.org) or call CCP at 530-288-9355. We are a FREE parent participation child enrichment program and welcome all children from 0-5 years old.

A huge thank you to the parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and guardians who made participation possible for the children. You are *greatly* appreciated.



Photos by Christina Dondono





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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

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## Unseasonable Weather - May 2022



### The Gift of a Late Snowstorm

Photo taken by Caroline Fowler from the shore of Gold Lake on a snowy Mother's Day drive, May 8, 2022 – a day with rain, snow flurries, big wind, and sunshine all within view at times.

### The Big Chill

By John Deaderick

So I made myself ready, put out the hoops, stretched the row covering over them; yes, I had put my tomatoes in a wee bit early, but they'll be fine, I told myself. I kept watching the forecast, looking for the expected low temps. You know, 33 might be OK, 31 can be fatal. Hey, the low looks OK, 35 at the lowest, so off go the row covers so I can put the tomatoes in their cages. Sometimes my impatience bears bitter fruit, and this time, that's a literal truth.

The morning of May 9, I awakened to an outdoor thermometer reading 30 degrees. Out in the garden early to see the shiny icy crystals over all that greenery. As the day warmed, the carnage became clear: summer squash, wiped out. Most tomatoes, the end. Cukes, bye-bye.

Twelve days later and the Butternuts, Red Kuris and the Cinderella pumpkins are bouncing back. Eggplants are clinging to life, barely. Some tomatoes I didn't pull may, I mean may, recover. Some little green suckers are appearing. Wait and see. Grapes look awful, but the big gorgeous fig tree is beginning to leaf out again.

Will I learn from this? As I said, wait and see.



### Begin Again

Finally I saw that worrying had come to nothing.  
And gave it up. And took my old body  
and went out into the morning,  
and sang.

— Mary Oliver



Frost Survivors



Photos by John Deaderick

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## Invitation to Our Children from the SJR Family Resource Center

By Kristin Snell, Community School Liaison

### Playgroup Welcomes New Families

Families with children ages 0-5 are invited to join us twice weekly for Playgroup at our Family Resource Center on the San Juan Ridge. At Playgroup, we engage in imaginative, active play, arts and crafts activities, circle time with songs, stories and poems and outdoor fun. We've been enjoying making new friends and creating wonderful connections during our time together.

Playgroup is held on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 am-noon**. We will continue to meet during the summer months. Older siblings are always welcome to attend. Please call with any questions about Playgroup: 530-292-3174.



### Sports Camp on the San Juan Ridge

**Junior** - July 11-15, 9:30-12:30, for ages 5-7

**Intermediate** - July 18-22, 9:30-2:30, for ages 8-10

**Senior** - July 25-29, 9:30-2:30, for ages 11+

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## "The Art of the Deal"

By Beverly Cameron-Fildes, YWP&FSC

During a recent visit my sister, an antiques dealer, took me along on one of her "treasure hunts." Watching her at thrift shops is like observing a Zen Master. She can pick the one item from amongst the mountain of offerings that will become the next day's big showcase price tag. It's quite the education. I asked her how she does it. She says that it's important to know your products and what people are interested in and then decide what will sell and at what price. It sounds so "magical."

As we wandered aisles, she pointed out labels and sometimes barely visible signatures. I began to realize that what she was doing really wasn't magic; it was an "art," and really similar to what we do at Yuba Watershed Protection and Firesafe Council:

Know your product (fire education), what people are interested in (home hardening, defensible space, and protecting the community), and then decide what will "sell" (what are people willing to "buy" literally and figuratively) and at what "price."

As a retired educator, I see the product I offer as "education." I definitely don't know it all, but I know who to ask to ensure that I'm providing good, reliable information to residents.


I listen to what folks want. As major fires in California increase, more people want to know how to protect their families, homes, and property. Wildfire Mitigation Reviews allow advisors like myself to evaluate the risk and tailor suggestions to each homeowner's specific needs.

What sells and how much? It's rewarding to see the "lightbulb" come on when we talk about work or techniques that can make a big difference in reducing fire risk in or around an individual's home. Some of these might be very simple changes to what people are already doing, many at low or no cost. It's a good day when we help another home owner become "Fire Safe."

Go to [YubaFireSafe.org](http://YubaFireSafe.org)

for a list of resources: matching funds, free chipping, grants, address signs, and Wildfire Mitigation Reviews, and for how to become a volunteer advisor.





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## A Short History of Yesterday Morning

Such stillness on this peaceful morning  
After the tidal waves of wind  
Yesterday—torrents of air  
Pushing the tops of tall trees—  
Energy the crackling kind

Then a little later, a spark somewhere  
Smoke wafted through our house  
As I emerged from the night  
Waking and walking through rooms  
Wondering about whose burn pile  
Or maybe ours from two days before

There was no smoke in the sky  
And I thought no more of it

Then neighbors called “be ready  
To evacuate soon”  
And my mind reeled  
As I hadn’t prepared  
And was unsure what to do first  
In my robe having breakfast

Subsequent hours spent packing  
Adrenaline my friend  
As I went through motions  
Focusing on the exhale

I put things away and washed dishes  
And felt ridiculous doing so

The sky was blue and clear  
Wind dancing pushing pulling itself

Cat carriers on the front steps  
Ready and open like mouths agape  
And to my astonishment  
Each cat selected his  
And waltzed right in

We went about our day  
Haltingly listening  
For changes or news

In the evening we put some things away  
But part of me hesitated still doubted

Now—on this warm still morning  
In May—I hear birds, water, insects  
There is peace in this tiny kingdom  
Dogs, cats, and donkey standing  
Like a still life  
Sun behind trees  
As if the possibility  
Of erasure is impossible  
Even as I know full well  
It is not

By Marcy Risque - May 21, 2022

## A Hot Night In Camptonville

By Sonja Goleman

What a night! After two years of hiatus due to COVID-19, the Christmas Club was finally able to get some fundraising going. Last Christmas we pieced together enough funds to make sure the tradition was kept alive, and this year we are hoping to really shine!

However, none of us could have expected to get fire evacuation advisories the day of the Karaoke Fundraiser... yeesh! Club members were packing their bags at home or fighting the fire just two miles south of town. Children were let out of school to get home to their families and yet, Sidonie was cutting onions for the spaghetti sauce while folks stopped by the Center to see if we were canceling.



Photo by Donna Tate

Oh boy! At 11 am the decision was made to move forward and keep decorating and cooking; if we were evacuated, we would just feed all of the responders. If not, we would have a welcoming and happy celebration, not just for the Christmas Club but for the men and women who bravely assisted in saving our town.

As it turned out, our local heroes were able to control the fire, and we were able to put on the fundraiser! There were so many wonderful faces full of joy, happy to have a place to celebrate with friends and neighbors! Many of the students from the school came and sang their hearts out, while newcomers to the area introduced themselves through song. Of course there were the classics: **Jesse Golden** and **Cathy LeBlanc** as the dynamic duo of the night, and the mom and daughter combo **Makenna** and **Jessica Prince** singing Makenna’s favorite song, *Zombie*. I would be remiss if I didn’t mention the middle school boys and their 6+ songs while wearing boas, sunglasses, and playing blow up instruments - a truly spectacular night. I am so proud of our town and the Christmas Club for making this fundraiser such a success. See you next year!



Photo by Jessi Mullins

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Photos by Katie O'Hara-Kelly,  
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## A Blossoming of Talent!

By Katie O'Hara-Kelly

On May 21, the **Bouquets to Art Show** showcased the artistry and creativity of 17 local artists. Each created artwork in response to a masterpiece by artists, ranging from M.C. Escher to Georgia O'Keeffe. Every piece was quite unique and ranged from hand-made terrycloth dogs to lavish bouquets of garden-grown flowers. It was a lovely springtime event enjoyed by over 45 people. Thanks to the Camptonville Community Center for hosting the show, to the Sierra County Arts Council for sponsoring it, and to the local artists who participated!

(You can enjoy these photos in *larger, living color* at [www.camptonville.net](http://www.camptonville.net))



And thanks to  
Katie O'Hara-Kelly  
for organizing and  
presenting the  
show! – Editor



## "The Tricky Yuba" Documentary Film

By DeDe Cordell, YWA

The Yuba Water Agency recently premiered its new documentary, "The Tricky Yuba," at the Lee Burrows Center for the Arts in Marysville. The film highlights Yuba Water's history, the reason for its formation, its significant accomplishments and what's next for the agency.

"The project was really born from a desire to document the agency's history from those who lived it," said Willie Whittlesey, Yuba Water's general manager. "We started talking about this around our 60th anniversary, and we felt that if we waited much longer, we could lose the ability to gather that history from those who lived it."

"The Tricky Yuba" is named after a W. T. Ellis quote referring to the historically flashy and unpredictable nature of the Yuba River, which contributed to catastrophic and destructive flooding in Yuba and Sutter counties in 1955, 1986, and 1997.

As the film describes, flooding drove the formation of Yuba Water and the construction of New Bullards Bar Dam on the North Yuba River in the 1960s to reduce the risk of flooding in the region, and the continuing threat of flooding drives much of the work Yuba Water does to this day. But the story is full of twists and turns, challenges, and emotion, which the documentary conveys through the personal stories of people who have lived it.

"Our hope is that this film will help the people of Yuba County – the people we serve – understand who we are, why we exist, why we matter, and how bright the future really is for this community," said DeDe Cordell, communications manager for Yuba Water.

The 53-minute documentary was created by Yuba Water in association with J Comm, Inc., and includes perspectives from some of the agency's board of directors, past and present, and other elected officials, agency partners, Yuba County residents, local historians, and more.

Additional showings are planned for the Marysville Peach Festival in July and at other locations as opportunities arise. If you are interested in hosting a screening of the film, contact Yuba Water's communications team at: [communications@yubawater.org](mailto:communications@yubawater.org).

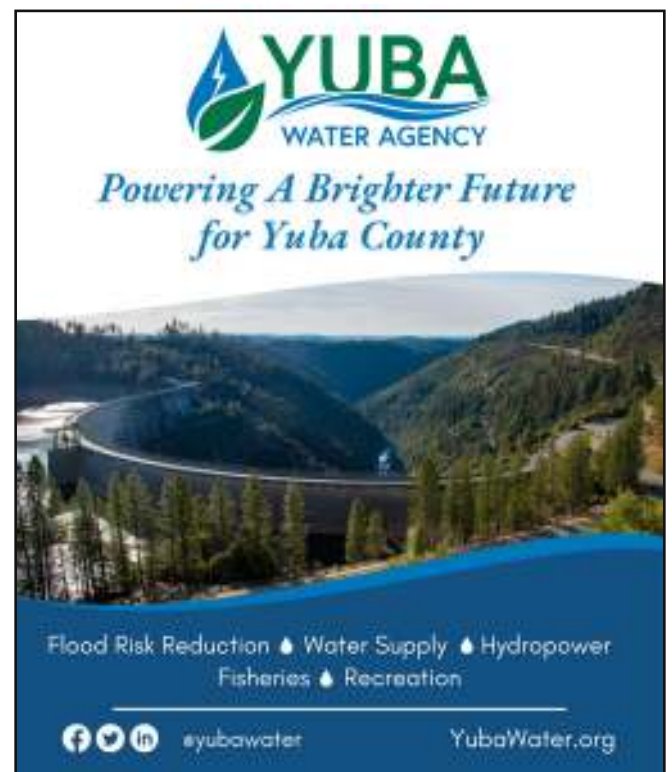
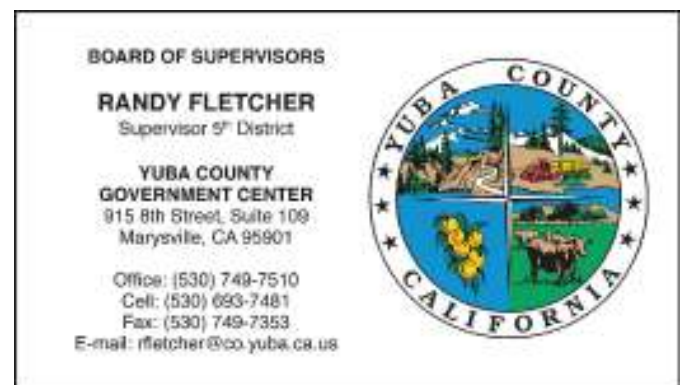
Yuba Water is a stand-alone public agency governed by a board of seven elected officials to serve the people of Yuba County. Established by a special act of the California State Legislature in 1959, the agency's primary missions are flood risk reduction, water supply reliability, fish habitat protection and enhancement, hydroelectric generation, and recreation at New Bullards Bar Reservoir. Learn more at [yubawater.org](http://yubawater.org).

## Yuba Water Honored as Champion for the Environment

By Alex Boesch, YWA

Yuba Water Agency was honored as the Sacramento Business Journal's 2022 Champion for Environmental Preservation and Sustainability for its measurable commitments and efforts to improve the health of the Yuba River watershed and support Yuba County communities.

Yuba Water was nominated for the award by Blue Forest Conservation, a non-profit organization that leverages financial innovation to create sustainable investment solutions for environmental challenges. Blue Forest Conservation and Yuba Water Agency are two of the many partners of the North Yuba Forest Partnership, an organization working to collaboratively plan, analyze, finance and implement forest restoration across 313,000 acres of the Yuba River watershed. Learn more at [YubaWater.org](http://YubaWater.org).







## Food Distribution in the Yuba County Foothills



### The Foothill Food Pantry:

Drive-through distribution at the Alcouffe  
Community Center in Oregon House

9185 Marysville Road (across from the fire department)

**The 1st and 3rd Friday, 12–1:30 pm**

**June 3 and 17, July 1 and 15**

### The USDA Commodities Food Bank

Located at Willow Glen Restaurant, Oregon House

**The 2nd Friday: 10:30-11:30 am**

**June 10, July 8**

Distributed by The Gleaners.

### North San Juan Food Bank, Nevada County:

Located at Oak Tree School

**The 2nd Tuesday, 10 am–Noon**

Free Food and Clothing Closet: call 292-3174 for hours



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- 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
- 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

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To add local events to the calendar, email: [calendarville@gmail.com](mailto:calendarville@gmail.com)



**June 3 - 1,2,3 Grow Graduation (pg 9)**

**June 7 - Voting Day, Alcouffe Center, OH (pg 2)**

**June 8 - 8th Grade Graduation (pg 5)**

**June 11 - First Art Share at the Center (pg 3)**

**June 25 - Camptonville Country Faire (pg 3)**



### **MONTHLY Events**

**Call first to verify meeting times before attending**

**(CCC = Camptonville Community Center)**

**CCP Board -** Meets June 30, 1 pm  
Resource Center. Contact: 288-9355  
**CCSD Board -** Meets 4th Thursday, 6:30 pm, CCC  
Contact: 288-3676  
**School Board -** Meets 3rd Thursday, 5 pm, at CV School  
Call to confirm: 288-3277  
**Pendola Road Association:** 3rd Saturday, 11 am, CCC  
**All Food Banks -** See Page 15

### **WEEKLY Events**

**Tuesdays:** Yoga, 5 pm, School Gym  
Camptonville Fire Dept Trainings, 6–9 pm, Fire Hall  
**Thursdays:** Yoga 10 am at CCC  
**Fridays:** Harmony Health Clinic on Wheels, 9:30 am–4:30 pm, CCC  
**Saturdays:** Coffee @ The Center, 10 am–Noon, CCC  
Qi Gong: 12:30–1:30 pm, CCC