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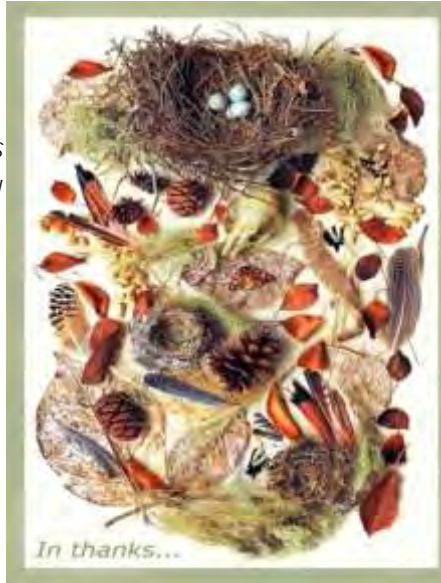


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## Happy Thanksgiving!

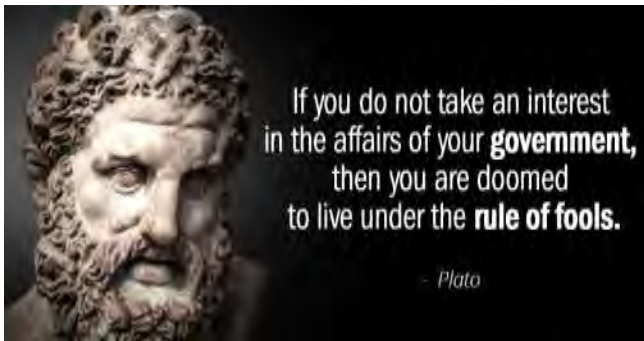
**IN THANKS** for all the beauty that surrounds us, including the rain, snow, clouds, storms, deluges, mists, showers, rivers, mountains, valleys, ridges, raptors, ospreys, songbirds, ravens, nuthatches, Steller's shorebirds, buffleheads, hooded mergansers, wood ducks, bugs, dragonflies, butterflies, snakes, lizards, newts, tadpoles, rabbits, bears, weasels, minks, shrews, gophers, muskrats, hemlocks, pines, madrones, locusts, willows, manzanitas, wildflowers, mushrooms, lichen, ash, cattails, elderberries,



creeks, ponds, lakes, waterfalls, canyons, meadows, hills, hummingbirds, woodpeckers, jays, kinglets, dippers, owls, mergansers, common kingfishers, cranes, waterfowl, lady-beetles, spiders, fish, frogs, fairy shrimp, deer, squirrels, otters, mountain lions, mice, foxes, oaks, firs, cedars, dogwoods, aspens, cottonwoods, ceanothus, silk tassels, moss, ferns, mistletoe, mountain choke cherries, and...

I am so grateful for the amazing beauty that surrounds us! With love and joy, Katie

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If you do not take an interest  
in the affairs of your **government**,  
then you are doomed  
to live under the **rule of fools**.

- Plato

AZQuotes.com

## Vote in the Election! – Tuesday, November 8th

By Jesse Golden

The general election takes place Tuesday, November 8th, and as with the lottery, you can't win if you don't play. You can check your registration status online at [voterstatus.sos.ca.gov](http://voterstatus.sos.ca.gov), or call the County Clerk (in Yuba County: 530-749-7855, Monday-Friday, 8 am-5 pm).

If you received your mail-in ballot, the easy way is still to vote on that ballot, sign the envelope, and drop it in the mail so it's postmarked on or before Election Day. No postage is required to mail your ballot.

You can also vote in person at the County Clerk's office prior to the election or on Election Day, or drop off your ballot there. On **November 8th, you can vote at any polling place in the county in which you're registered**, although the process will go more quickly if you vote at your designated polling place, which is **Alcouffe Center, 9185 Marysville Road for Camptonville residents**.

Locally, we have two important seats to fill: US House California District 3 (candidates: Kermit Jones (D) and Kevin Kiley (R)) and California State Assembly District 3 (candidates: James Gallagher (R-incumbent) and David Leon Zink (D)). We also have some statewide propositions to vote on regulating abortion rights, sports betting, school funding, kidney dialysis clinics, greenhouse gas reduction, and flavored tobacco. It's always a good idea to read these carefully and look at who's supporting them, as propositions can be worded in misleading ways.

**In the June 2022 election in Yuba County, only 22% of those eligible to vote actually voted.**

**Let's hope we improve those numbers this November!**

## From the Editor

-Janie Kesselman

Although our official national holiday of Thanksgiving has questionable roots, I believe it is a blessing that many of us get to set aside at least one day to gather with dear friends and family, toasting our beloved dead and meeting our newest relatives for the first time... If you're available, there's a free feast happening that Thursday afternoon at the North San Juan Community Center (see pg 7), with music and good company.

Closer to home (and sooner!) is Camptonville's monthly "Thirsty Thursday" pre-dinner party on November 10th at the Camptonville Community Center, where there are also free "Coffee@the Center" get-togethers every Saturday morning (see pg 4). I'm excited about the renovations and new equipment being installed in the Center and look forward to participating in many more social, musical, and educational events there. Please donate some money, time, or ideas to ensure our Center's success as a versatile public venue!



## Carcinogenic Metals Found In Local Soils

By Annika Alexander Ozinkas, Director of Community Science, Sierra Streams Institute



The Gold Country has high levels of metals such as cadmium and arsenic, called legacy metals, associated with mining. While it's known that cadmium and arsenic are capable of causing cancer, there is little known about how residents might come into contact with them, and how that could influence cancer risk.

In a study called **Community Health Impacts from Mining Exposures (CHIME)**, Sierra Streams Institute (SSI) partnered with toxicologists and epidemiologists at the University of California, San Francisco and the University of Arizona to see where these metals are found and how they may relate to cancer rates in our region. In the most recent study, **CHIME-3**, 40 Gold Country residents collected samples of their irrigation water, household dust, garden and yard soil, and homegrown produce. In total, 354 samples were submitted and tested for metals.

Early results showed that arsenic, which is common throughout our region, was above cautionary levels set by the state in some irrigation water and in all soil samples. Some older homes had lead that was above state levels. This study also examined the relationship between mine density and cancer incidence rate, and between heavy metal exposure and cancer risk. The final results are pending publication.

There are many challenges in this type of research, including many unknowns and complexities of cancer risk and metal exposure. It is nearly impossible to know how results like these apply to any individual's health. What can you do if you are concerned? Work with health professionals, investigate your residence, and learn more about your unique situation.

The University of Arizona shared helpful tips that anyone can use to reduce their potential metal exposures from soil through simple actions, such as scrubbing dirt from garden produce before eating and tracking less dirt into the home. These **helpful tips can be found at the bottom of SSI's Rural Health webpage: <https://sierrastreamsinstitute.org/rural-health/>** along with the full story, links to study results, and many other resources. You can help guide the future of this research by engaging with SSI in the community science process: just visit our site to complete a survey, contact us at **530-470-6037**, or attend an event!

## Gold Rush Metals Still Around Us

By Shirley DickKard

In the 1980-90s, I was the School Nurse for schools in Camptonville and the San Juan Ridge - both areas deeply impacted by 1850s gold mining. Around the late 1990s, I started noticing a growing incidence of various cancers in middle-aged residents and even some children. I was told by public health officials that because there was not a cluster of a specific type of cancer, they weren't interested in investigating... but it's bothered me ever since.

So in 2021 when I was asked to participate in the **CHIME study** (see adjacent article), I jumped at the opportunity. **Sierra Streams Institute** has been investigating the impact of mining's heavy metals left in our environment, especially where related to breast cancer incidence. A summary of their findings so far is in the following article. For more information and how to participate in the study, go to: <https://sierrastreamsinstitute.org/rural-health/>

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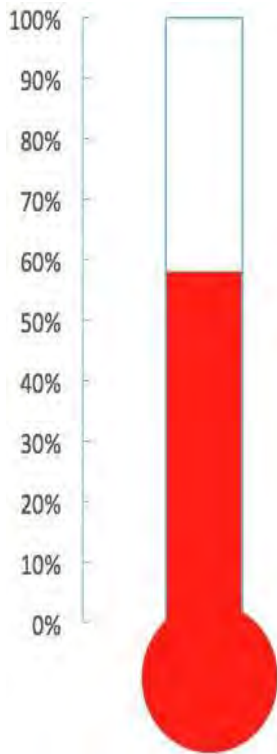
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## Make Your Matching Donation by November 15th!

By Richard DicKard, Camptonville  
Community Center Advocates



Wow-Thank you!  
So far, Camptonville folks have stepped up to the plate and donated **\$2,900** to our matching grant fundraiser to help finish repairing and renovating the front of our Community Center!

We are raising money to create a new outside wall (replacing dry rot and old broken windows) and to put new windows inside in the bathrooms and kitchen areas to match the ones on the other side of the building. The front will be finished off with a metal shed roof over the front cement porch. Finally, we'll have a Center edifice to be proud of!

The \$2,900 raised to date will be matched to become \$5,800. By November 15th, we hope that another \$2,100 will be donated to create the estimated \$10,000 needed to accomplish this renovation.

In addition to people donating money, we've also got a wonderful group of volunteers who have helped and are helping with the design, engineering, plumbing, electrical work, and construction on the project - more on them as we start renovations! If you'd like to help, please contact me at: [rjdickard@gmail.com](mailto:rjdickard@gmail.com) or phone: 530-288-3479.

YOU can be a part of making this happen. Please send your donation of whatever amount to the CCCA (Camptonville Community Center Advocates), PO Box 414, Camptonville, CA, or you can donate online at: <https://www.camptonvillecommunitycenter.org/> The CCCA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, so your donation is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.



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## More Improvements At the Community Center!

By Richard DicKard, Camptonville  
Community Center Advocates



We have been able to purchase some much-needed new equipment for the Community Center thanks to the **\$12,900 grant from the USDA California Rural Development** and **\$4,326 from folks' 2021 donations** to the Center. You may have already noticed the new chairs and sound absorbing panels in the Community Room.

For the kitchen, new cabinets and counters, a new range and exhaust hood, and a dishwasher are being temporarily stored in the Performance Room. They, along with other pieces of equipment, will be installed after the front wall is repaired and renovated. (So please make your matching donation to the Center by November 15th!)

Feel free to contact me by email: [rjdickard@gmail.com](mailto:rjdickard@gmail.com) or phone: 530-288-3479.



### Qi Gong notes

By Serna Kelly

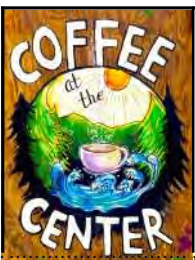
Most of us have heard or know that deep breathing has important benefits for our physical, mental, and emotional health. It is simple and can be done daily: lay on the bed or floor; place one hand on the belly and draw in a deep breath, having the belly expand out. Bring this breath up to the top of the lungs; hold it for a few seconds before letting it out slowly. Relax between breaths, and repeat at least four or five times. This is good to do before dozing off to sleep or when stressed.



Qi Gong exercises emphasize and coordinate breathing with the movements. Deepening the breath is easy, makes one feel better in many ways immediately, and is the most flexible self-healing and enhancement method. It can be done just about anywhere. It is so simple, and very effective in moving the chi through the meridians.

I will end with a quote from Master Ge Heng, alchemist and immortal from second-century China, summarizing the effectiveness of breath work done in Qi Gong exercises:

*"Whoever can swallow the breath like the tortoise or pull the breath in and circulate it like the tiger or guide and refine the breath like the dragon, shall live a long and healthy life."*



### Coffee@the Center Is Still Happening!

By Janie Kesselman

Come shmooze and enjoy hot drinks and homemade goodies with your neighbors, family, and friends **every Saturday from 10 am-Noon**. Free and Fun! To volunteer, text Rochelle: 530-575-7124



### Forest Biomass Business Center Community Meeting - November 7th

By Cathy LeBlanc, CCP



Please join **Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP)** for an update and open discussion on the **Forest Biomass Business Center (FBBC\*)** project. We will meet at the **Camptonville Community Center, 15333 Cleveland Avenue at 6 pm on Monday, November 7th.**

The health of our nearby forest and watershed are vital to the health of our communities. This project creates a regulated outlet for forest biomass by turning this unmerchantable timber and forest slash (resulting from forest-thinning work) into three megawatts of green electricity and good paying jobs with benefits.

Learn the current status and the opportunities afforded the project including: the 100-acre land purchase update, the construction and operation of the forest biomass-to-energy plant, and the connection to the North Yuba Forest Partnership. At this meeting you can explore entrepreneurial possibilities of the co-located business campus.

*\*What is the FBBC? This project began when I raised my hand at a Yuba Watershed and Firesafe Council meeting back in 2010 to understand more about developing a small community-scale bioenergy facility. Since then, Camptonville Community Partnership has raised over \$7 million(!!!) in grant funding and has created the Forest Biomass Business Center C- Corporation to move this endeavor forward.*

To learn more about the project's benefits, email [Lindsey@theccp.org](mailto:Lindsey@theccp.org) or call us at **530-288-9355**.

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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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## Camptonville School News — Pumpkin Patch Fun and November Musings

By Patrick Brose, Principal/Superintendent

By the time you read this, all of our ghouls and ghosts will have vanished for the year, another super fun Halloween under our belt at Camptonville School. We took the K-4th grade on an awesome field trip to the pumpkin patch and spent the month watching the leaves change and learning about why they do. As I write this, our halls are full of decorations, our kids are planning the ultimate trick or treat route, and I am still trying to figure out my costume.

But let's be a little more "in the present." November is an oddly short month for school. Veterans Day, parent/teacher conferences, and Thanksgiving all eat up large portions of the month. But that is okay.

The time spent with families and honoring our community are just as important as reading and writing. Please remember for this Thanksgiving: be present with your family and loved ones — winter is on the horizon and time shortens as do the days...



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## \$70,000 Loan Approved To Purchase Land For CCP's Forest Biomass Project



By Bonnie Dickson, Yuba Water Agency Communications

Yuba Water approved a loan of \$70,000 to the Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP) to purchase 100 additional acres of land adjacent to the property where it plans to build a three-megawatt forest biomass plant and business center (FBBC). The planned biomass plant would process biowaste from nearby forest restoration projects and use it to generate clean electricity, creating a regional market for forest waste material.

The loan and land purchase will allow the partnership to have full site control of the property, a requirement of many grant programs including a \$2 million grant the partnership has applied for through the Sierra Nevada Conservancy.

"Building a biomass center in Yuba County ties in perfectly with the agency's ongoing forest health efforts," said Vice-Chairman Randy Fletcher. "This project will be critical to our efforts to reduce risk of destructive megafires in our foothills."

Owning the land will reduce insurance costs and allow the partnership to plan, prepare, and market the biomass business center to its full potential. Once the biomass facility and associated infrastructure are successfully built, Yuba Water's loan would turn into grant funds.

Learn more about Yuba Water's Community Impact Grant and Loan Program at [yubawater.org](http://yubawater.org), or contact the Agency at: [communications@yubawater.org](mailto:communications@yubawater.org) or 530-741-5033.

### Caretaker for Pendola Ranch

We are looking for a Caretaker for the Pendola Ranch. The position would include free housing and a modest salary.

For details, please contact Tom Zehnder at: [tomz5960@gmail.com](mailto:tomz5960@gmail.com)

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## California Heritage: Indigenous Research Project (CHIRP)

*A Series About the Land On Which We Live*

### •Land Acknowledgement•

- We acknowledge that the Nisenan People are still here among us today although nearly invisible after generations of erasure and exclusion from California's history.
- We understand this is Nisenan land that was never ceded, and the original tribal families have yet to recover from the genocide of their people.
- As residents or visitors on Nisenan Land, we support the Nevada City Rancheria Nisenan Tribe in efforts to stabilize their people as well as the campaign to restore Tribal sovereignty through Federal recognition.

### **Perspectives On Erasure: A New "Visibility Through Art" Exhibit**

By Shelly Covert, Executive Director of CHIRP and Tribal Council Spokesperson for the Nevada City Nisenan Rancheria

An opening reception for **Perspectives On Erasure** took place on October 8th at the 'UBA SEO: Nisenan Arts and Culture space in downtown Nevada City. This marks the sixth year of **Visibility Through Art (VTA)**, one of many groundbreaking programs created by the **California Heritage: Indigenous Research Project (CHIRP)**. CHIRP is a 501(c)(3) non-profit whose mission is to preserve, protect, and perpetuate Nisenan Culture. Its work supports the Nevada City Rancheria Nisenan Tribe and is guided by their Tribal Council.

Art can be an amazing vehicle for creating community conversation. Art can help navigate hard conversations and can facilitate community-building. Each year, CHIRP and the Tribe work with a new group of local Nisenan and non-Nisenan artists to address a specific theme that is important to the Tribe. This year's artists were asked to work on a theme that explores the erasure of Nisenan culture and history. Artists work closely with CHIRP's Executive Director Shelly Covert and Art Coordinator Mira Clark to create impactful pieces that bring visibility to important matters.

It was culturally profound to have art from several Tribal Members and Elders included in this year's exhibit. Please take the time to visit and spend time with these important works. **Perspectives On Erasure** will be on display at: 'UBA SEO: Nisenan Arts and Culture, 225 Broad Street, Nevada City, through March of 2023.

Come and learn the many ways you can support the Tribe, CHIRP, and our work toward restoring Federal recognition to the Nevada City Rancheria Nisenan Tribe. Go to: <https://chirpca.org/> to learn about the Tribe's history, CHIRP's programs and online store, to sign up for our newsletter, to volunteer, and to donate.



Artworks by Jennifer Crosby and Mekdela Maskal

Photo: Mira Clark

### **Nisenan Heritage Day's 13-Year Anniversary!**

Join the Nevada City Rancheria Nisenan Tribe and CHIRP for our 13th annual Nisenan Heritage Day on **Saturday, November 5th, 11 am-3 pm, at the Sierra College Nevada County Campus**

This is an all-age-friendly event with activities suitable for children. Welcome and introductions begin at 11 am.

**Free event, free parking!**


### **Big Mountain\* Benefit November 11th** — with Clan Dyken and Kimberly Bass —

By Marylou Knapp

There will be a dinner and concert benefiting the **Dineh** people of **Big Mountain** on **Friday, November 11th at 5:30 pm** at the **North San Juan Community Center**, with potluck dessert and a silent auction. At **7 pm**, Tibetan bells artist **Kimberly Bass** will open for iconic topical rock band **Clan Dyken**. Admission will be \$25 for dinner and the concert, or \$15 for the concert only. For more information or to donate an auction item, contact Marylou at: **530-559-7069**.

*\*Big Mountain is a sacred mountain in Northern Arizona inhabited by the Dineh (Navajo) and the Hopi peoples. Currently, only about 100 Dineh families and elders remain there. Those who are left do not receive assistance from the US government. They primarily live off their sheep, small garden plots, and income sent by family members. Mostly traditional elders, they speak the native language and maintain the culture with stories, songs, ceremonies, and a lifestyle that is tied to the land.*





**NORTH YUBA RIVER DAY**  
 Coming to Downieville Sat. Nov. 5, 2022

**Wild & Scenic Film Festival**  
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**Schedule of Events**  
**Damp Earth Art Show**  
 10am - 2:00pm  
**People's Choice Awards**  
 1:30pm  
 @ Native Daughter's Hall

**Stakeholder's Public Forum**  
 10am - 2pm  
 @ Community Hall

**Wild and Scenic Film Festival**  
 3pm to 5:30pm  
 @ The Yuba Theatre  
 Doors Open 2pm  
 Intermission Prize Draw

**Afterparty with Refreshments**  
 7pm  
 By Popular Demand!  
 Short Documentary "Carl Runs the Paper"  
 @ The Yuba Theatre

Coming To THE YUBA THEATRE in Downieville Nov. 5, 2022

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## 1st Annual North Yuba River Day in Downieville, November 5th!

By BJ Jordan, Sierra County Arts Council  
 The 1st Annual North Yuba River Day is coming to Downieville on **Saturday, November 5th**, celebrating the River that connects, cleanses, and nourishes the communities of our watershed. Come on up scenic Hwy 49 to enjoy a day filled with fun and activities for all.

The **Damp Earth Art Show**, from **10 am-2 pm in the Native Daughters Hall**, features art inspired by rain, snow, clouds, stormy weather, mists, raindrops, deluges, showers, water, etc. North Yuba Naturalist Katie O'Hara-Kelly, yearning for rain during this time of drought, is the moving force behind the show. Her idea is to invoke rain through art. There will be a people's choice vote for the entrants, with cash prizes!

**River Poetry** will also be on display in the Native Daughters Hall. Poet Paul Guffin, coordinator for local schools' and the state's Poetry Out Loud competition, will organize the display, making sure student river poetry is well-represented.


The **Wild & Scenic Film Festival** will be at the **Yuba Theatre from 3-5:30 pm**. In



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keeping with the theme of the North Yuba River, we will screen the "Our Waters" selections of films from the annual Wild & Scenic Film Festival. Tickets may be purchased at the door or online at the website: [www.sierracountyartsocuncil.org](http://www.sierracountyartsocuncil.org).

An **After Party** with refreshments and a screening of the short documentary "**Carl Runs the Paper**," filmed in the North Yuba River canyon, will start at 7 pm at the Yuba Theater. Filmmakers Joey Horan and Manish Khanal and star Carl Butz will be in attendance. For more info, call BJ Jordan at **530-961-2188**.



**Seniors On the Go Monthly Luncheon: November 2nd, December 7th**  
 By Margaret Fowler  
 Operating as a program under local nonprofit Yuba Foothills Agricultural Communities Association (YFACA), **Seniors On the Go** is committed to the support and



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enrichment of the people and communities of the Yuba County foothills. We host a monthly luncheon in a setting that fosters both old and new friendships and includes activities such as games, puzzles, artistic and crafting opportunities, guest speakers, services, and community networking. We also provide space for small group discussions and meetings.

This month's **55+ Foothill Luncheon** is on **November 2nd, 11:30 am-1:30 pm**, at **10034 Marysville Road, Dobbins**, in the dining hall of the SDA Church, featuring a salad bar that includes fruit and dessert. Suggested donation, just \$3!



## Free Thanksgiving Dinner at the North San Juan Community Center!

By Pamela Rasada, NSJCC Board Secretary

The North San Juan Community Center will provide a **free Thanksgiving Dinner** with all the fixings on **Thursday, November 24th from 2-5 pm**. Drop by for dinner, enjoy the live music, and relax with your friends and community. Volunteers needed.

For information on all the activities happening at the NSJCC or to volunteer, contact us at: [nsjcommunitycenter@gmail.com](mailto:nsjcommunitycenter@gmail.com) or call **530-522-8205**.



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### When the Human Spirit Rises

By Bettina Joy

Go back in your mind 21 years to 9/11: the towers have fallen - chaos, panic, devastation. Amidst immense suffering, the human spirit rises.

All land exit routes from Manhattan Island have been closed; survival instinct draws people to the water, the only place there may be a way out. The ferries are overloaded: people are stacked 10 rows deep, jostling to get away from the horrors they have just experienced; some even jump into the river in desperation. A brave coast guard captain reaches for the radio: "all boats, please help, we need you to take people off the island, please come, we need your help."

Anxiously, he waits, wondering whether anyone will heed his call. Within 20 minutes, tugboats, ferries, sailboats, fishing boats, party boats arrive in unheard-of numbers. And they keep coming and keep coming - no general directive, no coordinated effort, no army, no orders. Boat captains and their crews take matters into their own hands and take people away from rubble, smoke, and terror. In less than nine hours, almost a half-million civilians were "boatlifted" to safety. During WW2, it took the army nine days to rescue 395,000 soldiers in Dunkirk.

It is astounding that very few people even know this happened. I just learned about it last month ago; I cried happy tears and my faith in humanity felt restored.

Look up: [An Untold Tale of 9/11](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MDOrzF7B2Kg) or go to: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MDOrzF7B2Kg>

Make sure you watch these short videos until the very end and hear what the boat captains from Manhattan Island say about this rescue operation and how it changed their lives.

While we in Camptonville won't be exactly like those boat captains, the desire to save others from suffering has shown itself during many a crisis right here; just remember back to what happened during the fires, the big snowstorm, and *Camptonville Prepared!*

And let's not wait for a major catastrophe. Let's think about what each of us can do every day to alleviate a little bit of suffering: within our community, within our family and friends. How can we bring sweetness to the world at large?

Extending kindness and being generous to others allows us to go to sleep being at peace with ourselves, knowing we have done what we could to make someone's life a little (or a lot) better. Let me know how this video affected you.

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### Forest Service Fall Update

By Amanda Siciliano, Visitor Services Information Assistant, USFS, Yuba River Ranger District

Our Spring/Summer camping season is now officially over. Most campgrounds have been closed and water systems have been winterized. A handful of campgrounds (listed below) will remain open for "no fees, no services" camping. You will need to bring your own potable water, pack out your garbage, and bring your own toilet paper. As always, the maximum stay allowed is 14 days.

**Open Campgrounds:**

- Garden Point Boat-In
- Loganville
- Salmon Creek
- Berger
- Onion Valley
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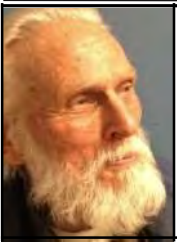
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# Reap As You Have Sown

By Robert Mumm

This morning I looked at photos of the devastation in Florida; so many include elderly folks, and I unintentionally project myself into those scenes. I feel myself beside a lady as she holds a broom and dustpan while looking into her apartment. The tools she holds and she herself are no match for the devastation, but she will try; I hurt for her. This devastation has not come without warning, for there have been voices of warning, voices mostly unheeded and in some cases actively discredited, so we stand with a common guilt.

We could have done better, but we did not. We did not learn from many of those people, Native Americans who lived on this land in harmony for long ages. We did not heed the wisdom of our distant European ancestors either. You will recognize that the title for this piece comes from the Christian Bible's old testament; this warning is expressed in the roots of other religions as well.


In that we are guilty, I stand with most of my generation. For my late twenty-year-old self, the brute power in the big-bore Pontiac engine in my wide-track Pontiac Catalina seemed somehow my birthright, to be expressed at will through the pressure of my foot. That my grandchild might not have a world as a result of my indulgence, never occurred to me...

Even back then I had a good example: my dad and mom bought a Volkswagen Beetle at that time that went about two and a half times as far on a gallon of gas as my Pontiac, but you couldn't pass uphill very well. That was a sweet little car, though, and served the basic duty of transportation very well. I did not say *need* for transportation here but substituted *duty* because need is often not true. Duty does not serve much better, for truly a good part of our driving about is not for a real need, but as an activity and an expression of an addiction.

We are addicts. Exploitation of fossil fuels has given us an illusion - a high, if you will. It seems we can have so much with such ease. "Reap as you have sown," though, and remember there is no free lunch. In the end all must be paid for, and no matter how we hurt, it will be!

I look out my window at this beautiful forest and I know that at this time next year it may not be here. There is deep hurt in that, for I love this forest. My twenty-something self loved it too, but did not know how much our daily lives had to do with preserving it. I thought having good forest practices on my land was doing my part, and to some extent that is true, but now it comes to needing a group effort.

Fossil fuels have seduced us, but have also brought us to a point where a transition to better sources of energy may be possible. Technology has developed while on this roll that might help us, but at a price. Psychologically, we must do our parts too: my lead-footed twenty-year-old self must grow up and work to save what we still have.

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### Raymond Edward Dexter (Corky)

Raymond Edward Dexter, known by most as Corky, passed away in early October, 2022 in his Yuba County home at the age of 74. He is survived by his two daughters Rebecca and Bronwyn, his sister Patti, and his brother Larry. Corky was born April 24, 1948 to parents Marian and Lawrence Dexter and was raised in his hometown of Englewood, CO. He graduated from University of Denver with a BA degree in English and went on to form a career in the performing arts, taking notable roles at Bob Young’s Cabaret outside Colorado Springs, The Seattle Repertory Theater, and The Ashland Shakespeare Festival.

Corky was a man of many talents and creative ambitions. He was a prolific artist, whose legacy lives on in his vibrant abstract paintings. He was intensely competitive when it came to board games, modifying and inventing new rules when a game got boring. He even went so far as to build his own game boards for a three-tiered version of the marbles and dice game Wahoo, dubbing it Triple Wahoo. He was a free spirit who really never conformed to anybody else’s way of doing things. He loved nature and camping and passed on his adventurous need to explore around the next bend-in-the-road to his daughters. While he had embodied the grumpy old man for some time now, he could also light up any room and turn any event into a party with his entertainer’s charm. He is deeply loved and missed by his friends and family.

Information for a memorial is pending. -Bronwyn Dexter-



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*So just in case I can't find the perfect place- "Thank you, thank you."*

*-Mary Oliver- Devotions: The Selected Poems of Mary Oliver*



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- Community Services District (CCSD) \_\_\_\_\_ 288-3676
- Elementary School \_\_\_\_\_ 288-3277
- Family Resource Center (CCP) \_\_\_\_\_ 288-9355  
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- Volunteer Fire Department \_\_\_\_\_ 288-3303
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- Yuba River Ranger District \_\_\_\_\_ 362-8259/288-3231

- Alcoholics Anonymous: Local 24 hr Hotline \_\_\_\_\_ 272-6287
- Burn Day Status (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
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- KVMR 89.5 FM (Nevada Co) \_\_\_\_\_ 265-9555
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- Yuba County Health and Human Services \_\_\_\_\_ 749-6311

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



- November 2 - *Seniors On the Go Luncheon* (pg 7)
- November 5 - *North Yuba River Day/ Damp Earth Art Show* (pg 7)
- November 7 - *Forest Biomass Business Center mtg* (pg 4)
- November 10 - *Thirsty Thursday* (pg 2)
- November 24 - *North San Juan Community Center Thanksgiving Dinner* (pg 7)
- December 3 - *Holiday Crafts Fair* (see insert)



### WEEKLY Events:

• CCC= *Camptonville Community Center* •

- Tuesdays:** Yoga, 5 pm, School Gym  
 Camptonville Fire Dept Trainings, 6-9 pm, Fire Hall
- Thursdays:** Rally Point, 11/3 and 11/17, 5-7 pm, CCC
- Fridays:** Clinic On Wheels, 9:30 am-4:30 pm, CCC
- Saturdays:** Coffee@the Center, 10 am-12 noon, CCC  
 Qi Gong, 12:30 pm, CCC

### MONTHLY Events:

• *Call to verify meeting times before attending* •

- CCP Board** - next meeting in January, 2023 530-288-9355
- CCSD Board** -Thursday 11/17, 5:30 pm, Fire Hall 530-288-3676
- School Board** - 3rd Thursday, 5 pm, CV School 530-288-3277
- Pendola Road Association** - 3rd Saturday, 11 am, CCC
- Thirsty Thursday** - 2nd Thursday, 5-7 pm, CCC (November 10)

*All Food Banks - See pg 11*