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## Magical Winter Season



Photos by Wendy Tinner

### Holiday Crafts and Weather Watching: Seasonal Fun at 1,2,3 Grow

By Tyann Jordan, 1,2,3 Grow, CCP

As the seasons change, children at 1,2,3 Grow are embracing the wonders of winter through creative holiday crafts and weather exploration. Our classrooms are buzzing with excitement as little hands dive into festive projects, transforming everyday materials into cheerful decorations and keepsakes. These activities not only spark imagination but also help children develop fine motor skills and a sense of accomplishment.

The fun doesn't stop indoors! Our young explorers are venturing outside to observe the shifting weather. Bundled up for cold, wet, and mud puddle-filled walks, children learn firsthand about the environment around them. Each outdoor adventure is an opportunity to discuss the changing seasons, notice patterns in nature, and build resilience while splashing through puddles and feeling the crisp air.

At 1,2,3 Grow, we believe that combining hands-on crafts with real-world weather watching creates memorable learning experiences. These moments foster curiosity, creativity, and a deeper connection to the world—making every day a new adventure for our growing learners.

Please come join us at 1,2,3 Grow. We serve families with children 0-5 and are located at the portable behind the Camptonville School Campus. We're open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:30-11:30 am. Contact CCP at 530-288-3479.



Photo by Adiella Amaya





## From the Editor

By Wendy Tinnel

As the winter darkness starts to consume more minutes of my day, it is easy to feel the sadness and loss of the year. Letting the darkness roll into all the crevices of life, I am reminded that all things must come to an end. However, there are so many little signs of magic around us, from the tiny crystals on a winter leaf to the Aurora Borealis that magically appears in the night sky. I take the opportunity to reflect on the things that I need to hold close to my heart and the things that no longer serve a purpose.

December is not only the darkest month of the year but also when the light starts to change and come back to us. We must remember that there are so many things to be grateful for and that we are so blessed to live in this beautiful community.





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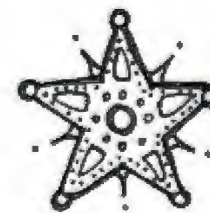
## "Autumn Affair" Wrap Up

By Alix Lamb

We had a rousing, warm time at the Autumn Affair November 15th, eating, guessing trivia, and pressing apples! Thank you everyone who came out to help support the Community Center, and to eat, drink, and be merry. Thank you so much to Pam Saporta, Yana Slade, Crow, Jessi Golden, Dick DicKard, and, always and forever, Rochelle Bell. I couldn't have done any of it without all of you, particularly those who stepped in at the last minute. I think we all need a nap now!



Decorating The Center



Pressing Apple Cider



Photos by Alix Lamb

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## Dispatches From The Camptonville Volunteer Fire Department

By Caleb Garling, CVFD

At 1900 hours on the evening of November 11th, I and seven other members of the Camptonville Volunteer Fire Department began to cut apart an old Lexus. We pried off the hood. We severed the battery cables. We sawed out the windshield, smashed the remaining glass. We used a hydraulic spreader, a hydraulic cutter, and a hydraulic ram—the "jaws of life" as they're often called—to cut away the roof and remove the doors like a can of tuna. We then extricated our imaginary patient.

Rather than the blaring lights of a typical emergency response scene, we were working under the quiet night of the salvage yard in Celestial Valley, that had graciously provided the wrecked vehicle. This was a training exercise. Each Tuesday night the team gathers at the fire station behind the community center and works on a different aspect of our roles and responsibilities as a volunteer fire department.

We have simulated a heart attack at the end of Mountain House Road, zooming past the loggers in their RVs (who were rightfully uneasy seeing the fire department in a hurry) to practice using the department UTV and how we'd treat a patient in the confined trunk. We have driven "code 3" (lights and sirens) to a simulated motorcycle accident out Pendola, practicing how to treat spinal injuries, puncture wounds, and broken bones. Sometimes we stay close to the station and practice cutting fire breaks or review the contents and operations of each department vehicle.

It's a lot of pressure. We live in an area with no serious medical care. When someone finds themselves short of breath at Bullards or takes a gnarly header biking above Oregon Creek, depending on the time of day or season it may only be volunteers who will get there in a reasonable time—people who are primarily working to provide for themselves and their own families, but are willing to set aside a real chunk of time to fortify a safety net for the community.

And we are hoping to recruit more. If any of this sounds fun or fulfilling, if you have spare energy to give, if you'd like to be trained with first responder skills, please come to a meeting Tuesday nights at the fire station—it's an open door—and see how you can get involved.

Trainings are Tuesdays, 6:30 – 8:30 pm. But please come early because we'd like start on time at 6:30 pm. For more information please contact the Camptonville VFD at: [camptonvillevfd6300@gmail.com](mailto:camptonvillevfd6300@gmail.com)

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## “Clean Burning Guide”

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

With the rains that we've had, cooler temperatures and burn bans lifted, it's hasn't been surprising to see many foothill residents taking advantage of drier days to burn their debris piles. What was surprising was the amount of smoke that many of the piles were producing. I saw one small pile that was clearly wet vegetation; more than likely leaves. The smoke was thick and white and smoldered for far longer than one would have expected a pile of that size to "burn." We know that particulate matter from burning vegetation is extremely unhealthy. In general, smoke in the air, whether it be from heating fires (fireplace or woodstove), a wildland fire or even a prescribed burn, is concerning for those with respiratory difficulties.

So, what can we do to be sure that we are burning safely and consciously keeping the health of our neighbors and the environment in mind?

The first and most important guideline has to do with creating a legal pile. Recommended pile size should be no more than 4' x 4' and that's the recommended size for a very good reason. It's much safer to make several piles that size rather than one REALLY big one that could get away.

The second, and equally as important, has to do with the preparation of the pile. If it's a pile that was created before the rains and it is dried materials, be sure to cover the pile with 3 or 4 mil. plastic to keep most of the vegetation dry until it's burned. This will result in a cleaner (much less smoke) and a more complete burn. If the materials are green or very wet, such as leaves and pine needles, it is best to move the materials away from any structures on the property (into the 30'-100' zone) and pile for burning next fall. Limbs can be chipped. Most importantly, DO NOT burn wet or green material.



If you have questions contact YWP&FSC at 530-645-2236 or [yubafiresafe.org](http://yubafiresafe.org) for more detailed information. ...and stay fire safe.

## Santa is Coming To Town!

By Jessi Mullins, Christmas Club

Ho, Ho, Ho! Come out and see Santa on Friday, **December 12th**, at the Camptonville Community Center. Doors open at 4:30 pm. Santa arrives at 6 pm on our Volunteer Fire Truck!



Line up with patience to get a few minutes to visit with Santa and of course take a few pictures. Santa and his helpers will be handing out a special gift and a stocking full of goodies to each kiddo.

This is an annual tradition that has been in operation for over 65 years in Camptonville. It warms the Christmas Club's hearts to be able to continue this. Let's keep this tradition going strong. Please come join us for a merry evening of visiting, warm soup, hot cocoa, and cookies.

Thank you to everyone in advance who help put this event on, including all who donate and all who joined us and supported our Fall Brunch fundraiser. We had a great turnout and appreciate the support. Santa night is truly a community effort!

## Stockings for Seniors

### Nominate a Senior for Holiday Support!

By Corrin Burdett, CCP

Do you know a senior in Camptonville who could use a little extra joy and support this holiday season? We invite you to nominate a senior for the opportunity to receive a thoughtfully filled stocking, delivered with care by our community volunteers. Whether you're aware of someone facing challenges or simply want to brighten a neighbor's day, your nomination can make a meaningful difference.

Once nominated, our team will pair each senior with a dedicated volunteer who will prepare and deliver a festive stocking. Deliveries will take place the week of **December 14th**, ensuring every nominated senior feels remembered and valued.

To nominate a senior, or for more information, please contact Corrin at 530-288-9355 or email [Corrin@TheCCP.org](mailto:Corrin@TheCCP.org).



## Wait, We Have Choices?

By Mary Abbott, End of Life Choices

We will be offering a monthly column on your end of life choices and preparations you can make with advance directives, and more. Let's start with an overview.

"I don't know when or how I'm going to die. My doctor will take care of me. There's nothing else I can do about it, so why bother thinking about it?" Might you change your approach if you learned you have the power to shape your end-of-life experience?

Even though no one lives forever, it's difficult to talk about death. It's scary. Some people worry that bringing up the subject is inviting the Grim Reaper to their door. And, no one wants to feel rejected by the people in their lives simply for raising this topic, let alone talking about it in detail. But, the truth is, death and end of life care is on our minds.

California's End of Life Option Act (also known as medical aid in dying or MAiD) became legal in 2016. Most people have never heard of it, have incomplete information about it, or have heard wildly inaccurate stories about what's involved. Other end-of-life options have been legal for decades and most people don't know about them either. These options include stopping unwanted medical treatment; palliative care; hospice care; and voluntarily stopping eating and drinking (VSED).

In future columns, we will delve into what each of these options might mean for you and how to make sure your wishes are honored. For now, find out more about all the support and services End of Life Choices California has to offer – all at no cost. Go to [endoflifechoicesca.org](http://endoflifechoicesca.org) or call 760-636-8009 with immediate questions.



## Camptonville School Electives

By Patrick Brose, Principal/Superintendent

Each year during the fall and spring trimesters, our students have the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of elective classes. Past classes have included guitar, 3D printing, cooking, woodshop, and gardening. This fall our students were able to select from three electives: Team Sports, Coding, and Prop Design. I, along with Crystal Bouchard, taught team sports in which students learned the league-correct way to play competitive kickball, basketball, and table tennis. Students spent an hour each week developing the fundamentals and skills to play these sports and participate in full scale games. Mrs. Frost taught our coding class this fall in which students learned the basics of coding and early robotics. Finally, as a totally new class this year, our talented office manager, Alix, taught a class on prop building. Students were taught the proper way to construct detailed prop works from cardboard and other materials. These students learned everything from design to safe and proper knife and tool skills while developing creative shapes and pieces. We are so fortunate to have such a talented group of people in our community to help add enrichments to our amazing little school.

If you or someone you know has an interest in teaching an elective this spring (1 hour per week) we are always looking for new and exciting things for our students to learn. You can contact me in the office to talk about your ideas and see if we can bring them to life at Camptonville School.



## Wordsmiths & Music Makers Celebrates New Year and Sun Return On January 11th

By Yakshi Vadeboncoeur

Mark your brand new calendars for Sunday, January 11th, 2026 when local talent and nearby neighbors will start the New Year off right as Wordsmiths & Music Makers fills the Camptonville Community Center with songs and stories and poetry. Your \$5 ticket at the door brings you a feast of creative energy from the likes of Cathy LeBlanc, Jesse Golden, Joel Morsberger (if CalTrans and snow don't drag him away from us), Barbara Graham, Maya Borhani, Yakshi, Shirley Dickard, and a special guest or two. Add to that a feast of fabulous Camptonville cooking (Did I Hear Pozole?) along with comfortable conversation around the table with neighbors and newly met friends, and we'll be ready for anything the New Year and unfolding winter bring.

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## Join the Bear Yuba Land Trust at Rice's Crossing Preserve North, Saturday, December 6th

By Annette Muller

Join us for a hands-on day of trail building, trash collection, meadow restoration, and cookie exchange! Whether you love building new trails, pulling invasive plants by the handful, or learning about the role of fire in healthy ecosystems—there's meaningful work waiting for you! They'll provide tools, water, snacks, plus coffee to keep everyone energized throughout the day! This is a super family friendly event and everyone is welcome.

Saturday, December 6th, 9 am-1 pm: Rice's Crossing Preserve North located on Marysville Road, 1.3 miles from Bullards Bar Dam.

For more information and to sign up to volunteer, visit [bylt.org/volunteer](http://bylt.org/volunteer) or contact [annette@bylt.org](mailto:annette@bylt.org).

\*The link to the event can be found here: <https://www.bylt.org/events/event/project-on-preserve-rices-crossing-north/>



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## 1863-Letters Home From Camptonville

Transcribed by Jennifer Nelsen, Camptonville Post Mistress

*This month, we uncover that a notable pirate once called Camptonville home. After researching the ship referenced this month by Rollin, I confirmed that Asbury Harpending led the historic voyage in question. As a Confederate privateer, he aimed to raid Pacific commerce and funnel the profits back to the Confederacy. It's a captivating tale involving a Camptonville resident that may have remained hidden were it not for Rollin's firsthand letters. Now, let's turn our attention to Camptonville as it stood in 1863.*

**Camptonville, Oct. 23rd, 1863:**

Dear Father, I guess people are not afraid of me and seem to have confidence in me. Hardly a day passes that someone does not send money by me, or gold dust. I buy checks for all parts of the world and have learned more about the banking business than ever before. Mr. Brown the banker is from Boston, Mass. and has been in this country for 11 years and of late has made a good fortune buying gold and doing general banking business. He worked at the mines for 6 years and cleared up with \$1.75. Said mining would not pay so he quit.

Now I sit up as long as I please and hear the watchman just the same every morning at 5, with his cane pounding on the side of the house bawling "Come Smith, five oclock." I pay him 50c a week and think it the most reasonable of my expenses. He says I am the hardest case he ever saw to start in the morning. But I manage to get straddle of the horse by 6 or a little after and sit there till my days work is done. I never had the first lesson in climbing in Vermont. Will send mother a greenback and she may find some use for it – get a bonnet or something. I bought \$200 worth of Greenbacks when they were worth .78 thinking they would go up. The next week they went down to .68. Yours as ever, Rollin.

**Camptonville, Cal. Oct. 27th, 1863:**

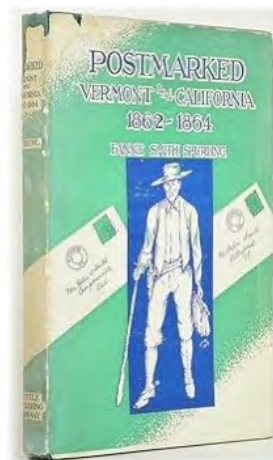
My friend Addie, People still continue to leave here and others come in. One family left this morning and I disliked very much to see them go. They had a daughter, too, and young ladies are a rarity here and we miss them sadly when they leave. She gave me her canary bird to remember her by so I can get along. He is a splendid singer and makes quite a chattering. You spoke of our money here. It is all coin – gold and silver. We reckon by dollars and bits. A bit is 12 ½ cts – but a 10c piece is just as good. Four bits is a half dollar. Any article of small value is sold for a bit. Up as high in the mountains as this everything is very high on account of the freight which is now worth 2c per pound from Marysville.

**Wednesday P.M. 7 1/2 o'clock:** You no doubt have heard of the Pirate ship "Chapman" that was fitted up in San Francisco. That was traced out by the Union League and the three leaders can thank that organization for the punishment they received. I was quite well acquainted with the leader, Harpending. He formerly lived in this place and I use the cooking stove and crockery he had here. Sometimes I think I will throw it out but then I think I am strong headed enough to stand it and not be influenced one way or another by hardware. Bearss, my former partner, is past Virginia City. On the desert by this time if his team does not die. Well Addie, I can think of nothing more that will interest you. Write often, and don't forget the ride we are going to have, and "you bet" we will have no married people with us, unless your parents think me too young to drive a team. Well enough of this, good night. Yours truly, Rollin

**Camptonville, Nov. 13th, 1863:**

Dear Father, I heard from Bearss last night. He was in Canon City Nevada Territory. Was 34 days on the road, lost only 3 oxen out of the ten. Our rainy season has at last begun. Has rained hard for 2 days and it seemed good after 7 ½ months of dry dusty weather. Jerome is a good cook. We bought two chickens yesterday and are living high.

Respectfully yours, Rollin C. Smith



## SYRCL's Wild & Scenic Film Festival Releases Limited Number of Early Bird Passes and Preview of 2026 Film Selections

By Daniel Elkin, Communications & Engagement Director,  
South Yuba River Citizens League

The South Yuba River Citizens League's Wild & Scenic Film Festival has announced a preview of its 2026 lineup of environmental and adventure films to be shown at its 24th annual event happening **February 18-23, 2026**.

The film lineup preview - listed below and online - includes films such as Snail Hunters, The American Southwest, Arctic Alchemy, and The Birds. Festival passes with special early bird pricing are now on sale. A limited number of these specially priced passes are available through December 12th or as quantities allow. The full lineup of films will be released in mid-December along with additional regularly priced passes and tickets.

For over two decades, the Wild & Scenic Film Festival has welcomed audiences to the towns of Grass Valley and Nevada City in the beautiful foothills of the Sierra Nevada mountains for its flagship event.

This year's festival theme, "Mobilize," is a call to action and a celebration of movement and progress towards tangible change. Films that mobilize elevate voices, organize efforts, and address challenges with urgency and persistence. From grassroots resistance to international coalitions, from Indigenous land stewards to youth climate strikers, our films honor those who are mobilizing to create change. The official 2026 artwork – created by artist Jeremy Collins – celebrates these ideas, and audiences can expect to see it reflected throughout this year's programming.

To learn more and purchase early bird passes, visit [WSFF.eventive.org](http://WSFF.eventive.org). Stay tuned for the full lineup of films to be announced in December.

Volunteer shifts for the film festival are also open. SYRCL relies on the time and talent of hundreds of volunteers to make the Wild & Scenic Film Festival a success every year. Volunteers at the festival have access to a number of perks, including complimentary session tickets. Go to [YubaRiver.org](http://YubaRiver.org) to find out more.



Who doesn't like toffee and chocolate??

### Pecan Graham Crisps

By Debbie Seyms

Looking for a small gift to bring to your friends???

This is very easy and fun to make.

Ingredients:

- 12 whole graham crackers
- 1 cup (2 cubes) butter
- 1 1/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 cup chopped pecans ( optional)
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 12 oz pkg semi sweet chocolate chips

Fit crackers side by side in a single layer in a 10 x 15 inch baking pan with a rim.

In medium pan melt butter over medium heat. Stir in brown sugar and nuts, cook stirring often until mixture comes to a boil. Continue to boil until 238 degrees on a thermometer or about 2 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in vanilla. Pour over crackers and spread to cover. Bake at 375 to crisp crackers (topping should not darken) about 8-10 minutes. Remove from oven and immediately sprinkle chocolate over all. Let stand about 10 minutes and then spread out chocolate to cover. Let it cool and then break into pieces and enjoy! Or bag it up and give away as a small gift.

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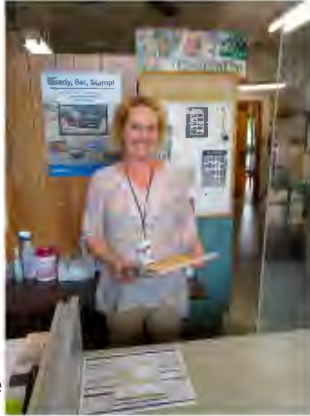


## A Heartfelt Thank You!

By Jennifer Nelsen

Camptonville Postmistress

When I recently began placing stickers on letters with the message "Avoid Delayed Mail," I never imagined the incredible outcome that would follow. When asked what the advisory meant, I explained that if I were to leave, someone new would have to be a detective to deliver the mail. To my surprise, this sparked an outpouring of support and led to a collective effort to prevent my potential relocation to North San Juan.



This incredible response, driven by the amazing residents here, gave everyone the chance to share their gratitude and express how much they wanted me to stay at the Camptonville Post Office. The sheer number of signatures and the heartfelt gesture of support from this community left me deeply moved.

I'm truly overwhelmed with gratitude. It's an honor to work for such an incredible community, and I feel blessed to know every one of you. I look forward to every day spent here with all of you. Your support means more to me than words can convey.

Thank you, from the bottom of my heart. Jennifer Nelsen

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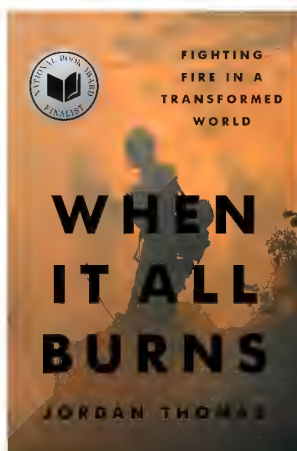
Submitted by Marcy Risque

Jordan Thomas's "When it All Burns, Fighting Fire in a Transformed World" provides insight into the world of hotshots, the "Special Forces of wildland firefighting."

Thomas, an anthropologist, writes from firsthand experience about his first year on the Los Padres hotshot crew. There are poignant relationships, comical moments, and constant danger, with equal amounts of competition and loyalty between the firefighters.

Thomas intersperses stories from the fireline and hotshots with the history of the beginning of fire suppression in the US, which he suggests parallels the suppression of native peoples. He describes destructive industrial logging practices and how those, along with fire suppression and climate change have created the megafires we know today.

The recent and misdirected approach to forest management is contrasted with the traditional, symbiotic approach that native peoples understood and implemented for thousands of years. Thomas's hope for a new paradigm of living with fire and managing landscapes gives the reader a sense of optimism for the future. We now live in a different world and cannot just declare war on nature, but need to work with it in an attitude of respect for living systems, with humility instead of arrogance. With the right tools, smart science, and ancient wisdom, perhaps we can bring healing and sustainability to all landscapes.



## 5 Years Ago in The Courier (December 2020):

Find back issues of the Courier chronologically at [bit.ly/courierpast](http://bit.ly/courierpast) or search by keyword at [bit.ly/courierdigital](http://bit.ly/courierdigital).

- Beverly Cameron suggests "Presents with a Purpose," with suggestions for "gift items that will give your family and friends the gift of fire safety," such as "emergency radio with alert and weather, printed local maps, first aid kits and cell phone battery backup."
- COVID restrictions impact some community traditions: Santa's Helpers will still bring gifts to Camptonville's children, but there's no 2020 Secret Santa, no Camptonville School Winter Program, and no Christmas Craft Faire.
- Editor Marcy Risque admits that December is her least favorite month, and counts some blessings – the relief of the rain after all the huge wildfires throughout California and the West; fire in winter as a welcome comfort and respite from the cold after a summer of dread; the holidays as an opportunity for rest and reflection.




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**10 years ago in the Courier (December 2015):**

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Stephanie Korney announces Camptonville Historical Society's first publication, "Crossing the Plains: The Diary of Mary Alexander Variel," Mary and her family traveled from Indiana to Camptonville in an ox-drawn covered wagon in 1852.

Chris Pope describes joining the "Moonshine Mudders" at age 56 to finish a 10-mile obstacle course, crawling through mud and jumping into ice water, and raising money for the Wounded Warrior project, which supports wounded veterans and their families

The Yuba County Office of Emergency Services urges us to sign up for mobile emergency alerts at [BePreparedYuba.org](http://BePreparedYuba.org). "You can still sign up for both "Emergency Alerts" and "Zonehaven" at [BePreparedYuba.org](http://BePreparedYuba.org); and share that info with any new community members, please!"



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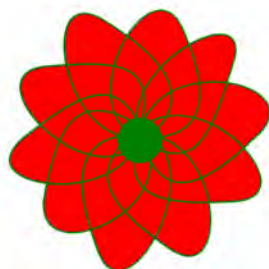


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- Yakshi Vadeboncoeur chronicles the results of the 15th Annual School Reading Marathon; in October, 37 children read 24,685 pages and raised \$1,184, half of which went to the young readers and half for new books for the Camptonville School library.
- Hannah Olson and Jocelyn Rapp report on "Club Live" dances for 5-8th grade students, with help from Barbara Hogan, Walt Watson, Mike Campbell and Sandy Radoff.
- Shirley DickKard writes that Community Action Teams are going strong; the teams meet monthly and are working on a Community Center site, a Pelton Wheel Festival, and solutions to vandalism.



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## Water District Rate Increase

By Richard DickKard, CCSD

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As part of the Proposition 218 public process, CWD customers will have the opportunity to provide input, including objections and suggestions, for the proposed new water rates. Camptonville Community Service District's Board of Directors will hold a public hearing and receive public comment in early 2026.

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| • Family Resource Center                       |  |
| • Community Health Action Plan                 | • The Camptonville Courier   |

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The 1st and 3rd Friday, 12:30-2

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### The USDA Commodities Food Bank

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- Cemetery ————— 288-3658
- Community Center ————— 288-5016
- Community Partnership (CCP) ————— 288-9355
- Community Services District (CCSD) ————— 391-8887
- Elementary School ————— 288-3277
- Family Resource Center (CCP) ————— 288-9355  
Hours 8:30 am–12:30 pm, M-F
- Post Office ————— 288-3348  
Hours 11 am–1 pm, 1:45–3:45 pm, M-F
- Volunteer Fire Department Business ————— 913-3501
- 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

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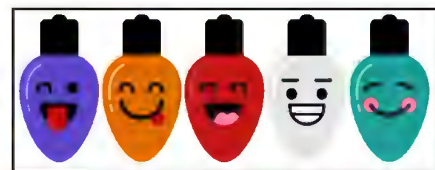
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### December 2025 Community Calendar

- December 6 - Rice's Crossing WorkDay (p 6)**
- December 6 - Camptonville Craft Fair (p 14)**
- December 12 - Santa Comes to Town (p 4)**
- December 14 - Stained Glass Class (p 2)**

**MONTHLY Events:**

- Rally Point -** 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 5-7 pm, CCC
- School Board -** 2nd Tuesday, 6 pm, at CV School: 288-3277
- CCP Board -** 3rd Wednesday, 1 pm Resource Center: 288-9355
- Thirsty Thursday –** 3rd Thursday, 5-7 pm CCC
- CCSD Board -** 4th Thursday, 6:30 pm, CCC Contact 530-391-8887

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**WEEKLY Events:**

- Mondays:** Yoga, 5 pm, School Gym, Contact: 798-6778
- Tuesdays:** Camptonville Fire Dept. Trainings, 6:30-9 pm, Fire Hall
- Fridays:** HH Clinic on Wheels, No COW in December
- Saturdays:** Coffee@theCenter and Market, 10-12 pm, CCC