



CORE@TCA's CAMPTONVILLE CHRONICLE

Congratulations
GRADUATING SENIORS

Quote of the Month:
*To love and be loved is to feel
the sun from both sides.*
David Viscott

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Miranda Martin, a fall semester graduate who has been a successful "A" student at TCA. Miranda has been doing double work experience to finance her plan for going to Thailand in April.

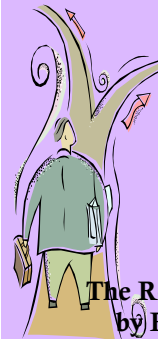
Read more about Miranda's plans on the back page!



Kid with Character! "Thank you" to Colby Ackenheil for tutoring young Camptonville students during the Fall Semester.

Graduating Seniors

When the fall semester ends and the Spring semester begins, there will be a few who we are parting roads with, and they will be off on a new adventure outside of the realm of high school. Colby Ackenheil, Andrew Boin, Amy Book, Sarah Hawkins, Miranda Martin, Nathan McCready, Elisa Randall, Kitty Riley, Scott Severin, Ashlee Sisson, Julieanne Smith, and Anthony Nordin: These are our Seniors who are graduating mid-term. We at Camptonville Academy congratulate you for your hard work and perseverance to now be standing at these crossroads. May you remember the words of Robert Frost, from your literature books:



The Road Not Taken
by Robert Frost

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the Undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And perhaps having the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same.

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I -
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.

**Congratulations to you all!!!!.....and
happy trails to you! - Serene Turner**



Marysville Resource Center



Art Show & Bake Sale
January 27, 4:30-6:30

Parent Club
Feb. 2nd, 5:00-7:00

Valentines' Day Parties
K-3 Tues., Feb. 14th @ 10:30-12:30 with Willena Brooks
4-6 Fri. Feb. 10th @ 10:00-11:00 with Kathy Kunde
7-12 Fri. Feb., 10th @ 12:30-1:30 with Dawn Flinn
***Sign ups and a list of what to bring will be at the front desk.**

Sutter's Fort
Feb. 14th

Catalog Curriculum Fair
February 24th, 8:00 – 2:00

Great Water Mystery Assembly
February 24th, 2006
10:30-11:30 all ages

Literary Day
March 17th

Spring Thing (Dance)
High School
March 24th

Women in History Assembly
March 31st, 2006
1:00-2:00 all ages

Parent Training Workshops
April 7th, 9:00-1:00

Parts is Parts Assembly
May 5th, 2006
1:00-2:00 all ages

KCRA Toy Drive
The Toy Drive was a great success. Thank you to all that donated to this wonderful charity.

Literary Fair
March 17th
The Literary Fair, sponsored by the MRC Parent's Club is scheduled for March 17th. Students from all grade levels are encouraged to submit polished drafts for this first-time-ever event! Leave these final drafts in Ellie Palmer's mailbox, preferably in a protective folder or report cover. Or, you can email them to geb73@comcast.net. All students will receive recognition for their participation, and prizes will be awarded.

CAHSEE Workshops
Instructors: Dawn Flinn (Math) & Mark Yedinak (Language Arts)
These workshops will help high school students prepare for the California High School Exit Exam.

CAHSEE Math January 3rd-
February 3rd Tuesday & Friday 11:00-12:00

CAHSEE English January 3rd-
February 3rd Tuesday & Friday 12:30-1:30

NEW Classes for Spring!

Writing Workshops
Instructors: Ellie Palmer (7th) & Hollie Simmons (4th)

We will be offering writing classes for all students who want to prepare for the 4th/7th grade writing test. This is a great opportunity for students to practice a variety of writing genres.

4th grade writing workshops January 31st -
March 3rd Tuesday & Friday 9:00-10:00
7th grade writing workshops February 1st -
March 3rd Wednesday & Friday 11:00-12:00

Manuscript (Printing) Class
Instructor: Carolyn Coffey

Tuesdays 9:00-10:00
This class is designed for students in K-2. The class will emphasize correct construction of letters and numbers, pencil grip, and posture. A parent orientation will be presented during the first 15 minutes of the class on Jan. 24th. The last day of the class will be April 4th. Contact Carolyn Coffey for more information at 749-2721 (hccoffey@direcway.com), or sign-up at the front desk.

Digital Video Editing Workshops
Instructor: Reid Luhman.

These are open to students, parents, and staff. Due to the high popularity of these hands-on workshops; Reid has added a class on Friday, February 3rd. The sign-up list is at the front desk.
Friday, January 27th from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. (FULL)
Friday, February 3rd from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. (Available)

The U.S. History and Drama Class will begin a new unit on January 25th. Our theme, Westward Expansion, is one of the most exciting periods in U.S. History. Topics include Daniel Boone, the Louisiana Purchase, Sacagawea, Lewis and Clark, the Trail of Tears, the Oregon Trail, the California Gold Rush, Farmers on the Prairie, and the Transcontinental Railroad. During their study, students will participate in cooperative groups and complete a portfolio of projects including arts and crafts, maps, a time line, and reading and writing connections. Our final class project is a musical drama performance. Students kindergarten through 5th grades are encouraged to sign up. Class meets Wednesdays 3:00 – 4:30. **Call Beth Ward at 741-8404.**
(No class February 1)

Snow-sport field trips are finally coming. Northstar at Tahoe is a beautiful and fun place for all ages to ski, snowboard, or just enjoy the snow. Paperwork will be available for pick up at the front desk in December. If you have any questions, contact Tracey, Angela, or Beth at 742-2786. Also, Beth will be at the MRC every Friday from 1 - 4 to assist with registration paperwork.

Seasonal Crafts Class
Instructor: Susan Flemming

Next class will be held February 10, 12:00 – 1:30. Students will be creating seasonal crafts using recycled materials. This creative and fun class meets once a month. Please inquire at the front desk for more information, or to reserve a space.

Pre-Algebra
Instructor: Lois Langehaug

We have just started *Foundations for Algebra Year 2*. If any 7th-10th graders want to join us, now is a great time. Please inquire at the front desk for more information

Highlight Items:

Parent Club

Meets the first Thursday of each month from 5:00-7:00. Parents have been coordinating volunteer efforts, organizing events, and sharing good ideas. Please join us! Our next meeting is on Feb. 2.

Camptonville Academy Cookbook by Trish Veal

Parents, teachers, and students of the Marysville Center...

Do you like to cook? Do kitchen chemistry or crafts? If so, submit your favorite recipes for Our First Camptonville Cookbook. You can include a student drawing of the meal, a photo of your family, or maybe a student fixing and/or eating the masterpiece. Entry forms are available at the center, or just drop off your floppy with your contributions written up in a word format. Anyone of the Camptonville family can participate. We will collect recipes until April, and the cookbook will be available for purchase in time for Christmas 2006. Also, we are looking for students to volunteer in putting the final copy together, or to submit art for the cover. A prize will be awarded to the student who wins the cover design competition.

Maya Soleil Assembly
Feb. 9th, 2006

2:00 – 3:00 K-5th
3:00 – 4:00 6th +

A group from Zambia and Zimbabwe will sing in several native languages of southern Africa and display the traditional as well as modern styles of dance. This assembly is known as an "electrifying show of multicultural music, blending traditional African percussion and vocal with contemporary sounds."



Field Trip Dates	Paperwork due at MRC
February 16, 2006 March 3, 2006	February 3 rd , 2006 February 16 th , 2006



Butte County



Our **Talent Show** this year will again be held at the Paradise Resource Center in Winslow Hall on April 4th at 7:00 P.M. Michele Steele will coordinate the event. Sign up early! A few spots are still open at each center for the **musical drama class**. Part of the drama will be included in the April 4 talent Show.

Chico Creek Nature Center is offering an environmental education day Camp program for spring break for children ages 5 – 11. The registration fee is \$110 for all day, M – F 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. or \$60 for half days, M – F 8:00 A.M. – noon or 1:00 – 5:00 P.M. Call 891-4671 for details.

Our **Parent Training and Curriculum Fair** is scheduled for March 15 at the Chico Center.

Tall Pines Bowling Alley in Paradise is offering Camptonville students a great deal on bowling. Parents will need to supervise their own children. The cost for bowling is \$7.00 on January 27th and February 24th between 1:00 – 3:00.

We really are planning ahead on this one, **picture day** for next year will be on September 26th, A.M. in Chico and P.M. in Paradise. The studio let us know early, so we're telling you.

Parents interested in forming a **Parent Club**, please contact your local Center and put your name on an organizational list.

The next **California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE)** opportunity for students to take the test will be February 7th for the Language Arts and February 8th for the Math; at both the Paradise and Chico centers. **Passing this test is a requirement for graduation in every school in California.**

The date for the **4th and 7th grade Writing Test** at both the Paradise and Chico centers will be March 7th.

The **CHICO SCIENCE FAIR**, open to all K -12 students who reside within the boundaries of Chico Unified District, will be held March 6-10. The theme of this year's fair is "A Sense of Wonder." Application deadline is February 17, 2006. Applications will be available after the first week of January.

Minds in Motion is being offered at California State University on April 28th. If you are interested in forming a team for the competition, call Linda Payne at 873-4716 for more information, early registration is required.

Sutter's Fort is happening on February 14th. Let the adventure begin!! Contact Marlene Brenden at:

marbrenden@comCast.net

David Peterson, our **high school counselor**, will be at the Chico Center from 9 – 12 on Feb. 7, March 7, April 4 and May 9. He will be available at the Paradise center from 9 – 12 on Feb. 28, March 28, May 2 and May 30. Please call the Chico or Paradise Centers to sign up for a time to meet with Dave.

Don't forget to drop off box tops at your center for the **Box Tops for Education** program.

Our **spring break** will be the week of April 10th. Classes will not be held during that week.

My Brain Is Full!

By Michele Steele – Butte County Personalized Learning Teacher

January brought a sigh of relief from several Paradise and Chico students who presented oral reports on carefully researched topics of interest. They all kept it all together and used their excellent speaking skills to fill the brains of their classmates, parents, and teachers with interesting facts and ideas.



Bradley Richardson shares his colorful poster illustrating his interesting and informative oral report on great white

In Paradise, besides Bradley's report on sharks, Breeonka Lizarraga taught us about the 1930's child star and ambassador Shirley Temple. Dominique Richardson can tell you all about ball pythons. (Did you know that their eggs are 16 inches long?) Karl Payne amazed us with how long Nintendo has been around. Aurora Manzone showed us how softball has changed over the years and Mariah Manzone, complete with a live, tail-wagging visual aid, compared Labrador Retrievers and Newfoundlands. (Did you know that they're closely related?)

In Chico we learned from Travis Henderson all about Manga, a really interesting form of cartooning from Japan which changes style when adapted to American audiences. Kasia Byers told us about that famous home-schooled genius, Thomas Edison. John Ferre and Stephen Hansen each gave us all the amazing facts about their chosen California mission.

They all did an excellent job, and you could hardly tell they were nervous. Congratulations to a great group of orators!

T.J. Albrecht—Grade 6



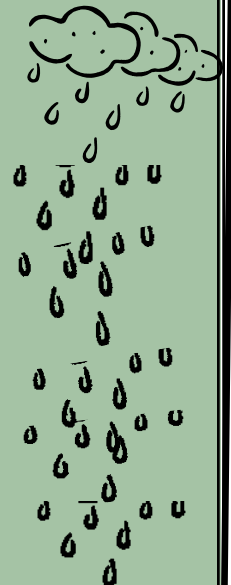
Rain, A Shakespearean Sonnet
By Amanda Allagree—Grade 4

*The day is dark just as the darkest night.
Is this as wet as rainy days can get?
I really wish the sun would come in sight.
I'm bored with watching my old TV set.*

*The rain is everywhere that I can see.
The rain's so loud it's banging in my ear.
Rain's NOT a pleasant thing, don't you agree?
I hate it when the clouds must shed a tear.
I'm yearning for the sun when rain is done.*

*I long to ride my bike and hike and play,
Go swimming with my friends and have some fun.
I spread my arms to welcome every ray.*

*The clouds part and the sun begins to warm.
A rainbow is the treasure of the storm*



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Join Us for Our Governance Meetings

Council Meeting:
Check next month's newsletter for date.

Board Meeting: 1:00 p.m.
February 9, 2006 - Admin Office, Nevada City
March 9, 2006-Paradise Resource Center

Possibilities

By Miranda Martin

It's amazing how things just seem to fall into place when you decide what you want and then work towards that goal. Six months ago I was successfully working towards graduation this coming June towards an uncertain future. Now I have graduated (January) and am ready to hop on a flight to Thailand towards exploration, adventure and growth.

As a senior, I decided to take on work experience to receive some of my credits. After about a month in my job at a local pizza place, I had come to understand how to do most of the positions there and asked to work in the kitchen to get more hours. As I continued at this pace, I began to search for an additional job and I tried to figure out what I was going to do with the money I already made and was going to be making. I thought about the possibilities and realized the answer was right in front of me: go travel! I've always carried the bug to travel and had been becoming more and more curious about Thailand over the past year and a half. That was the answer; I'd save my money to go to Thailand.

I continued my work at Miner Moe's Pizza and another job opportunity came about quickly. It was a bussing position at the Stonehouse Restaurant. Soon I was working about a full week between my two jobs in addition to my schoolwork. With tips and my paychecks, I managed to bring in the money I needed to continue buying gas for my car, support my leisure activities and still be saving most to nearly all of my paychecks. I began my research on Thailand and discovered how cheap it was to go there and travel within the country. I was excited to see that I was going to meet my goal! I continued my school work throughout my rigorous work schedule and soon found I was eligible for graduation in January.

As my plans for travel began to materialize, the opportunity to go to a monastery in Mundgod, India arose, so I found that a multiple city ticket from the United States to Thailand and then to India and back to the States would cost roughly \$1,600. With the money I'd been saving since August and with my continuing work schedule and soon-promised promotion to a serving position at the restaurant, I figured out I was going to be able to leave for my travels in April and return in August. My plans were really beginning to come together and work out as hoped. Now, 18 years old and in the midst of January, I am graduating from high school and continuing to work at both of my jobs to fulfill my plans in April. I am overwhelmed with anticipation of the experiences to come and can't wait for the day when I'll be boarding the plane I worked so hard to be catching when the possibility becomes reality.

Miranda Martin, a graduate as of today, has worked very hard during her first 3 years of high school, including community college coursework that has allowed her to have a "lighter load" this year course-wise. This has allowed her to work hard in her jobs, get good grades, save money and pursue her vision. The range of options for personalized learning students is amazing – keep tuned into future newsletters and spark your own vision for what is possible.