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Traci's Quote of the Month

To accomplish great things we must not only act, but also dream; not only plan, but also believe.
-Unknown

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Gear up for Graduation!

Graduation 2007 ceremonies will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, June 2, at Gateway Park in Penn Valley.

Plan to be there!



Honor Roll Omissions

Apologies are due to these deserving students who were left off the list that was published last month. **Congratulations Honor Roll Students!**

Executive Directors List

Emma Luther
Audrey Curd
Samuel Gronseth
Sarah Gronseth
Jillian Kalanquin

Honor Roll A

Gina Chandler

Honor Roll B

Ryan Holman

CORE Students Reach Beyond Themselves Notice - Choose - Act (Challenge Day creed)

The following is a short article from Kim Hughes, one of the 22 high school students who recently attended the 2 ½ day Reach For The Future 2007 conference outside of Chico, CA. If you weren't able to make it this year, we hope that you join us next year.

I used to not like differences. Reach 2007 changed my perspective on how I looked at differences, people overall, and leadership. This experience was life-changing and a once in a life-time opportunity. For example, being 40 feet up in the air with hands and feet being the only thing supporting and pushing me over the wall at that moment, unique qualities did not matter. All that mattered was safely getting to the other side.



When I came to Richardson Springs, I did not know what to expect. From the moment I arrived, it was a fun and exciting atmosphere. Throughout the weekend the events that followed were wonderful. So many events involved working up the courage to be the difference one would want to see throughout their community and school and to really embrace all the qualities of life. Because of Reach 2007, my perspective on all forms of differences and leadership has changed. I am now more open to being the change and to see between the lines of differences.



Great Success at Woodleaf C.O.R.E. students are amazing. They were well mannered and cooperative. The Naturalists and Counselors had nothing but good things to say about them. What troopers they were because it pretty much snowed every day except Friday. There were 3 outstanding counselors. Matt Houser and Jessica Edwards (both Camptonville students) made my job so much easier. They made their cabins feel like a little home. A counselor from Lindhurst High School in Marysville area is a football player and wore his hair styled up into a crown on his head. From all reports his students had a great time also. He went by the nature name of Yellow Jacket.

Curious George, the director of Woodleaf told me he found one of our students on You Tube. His name is Austin Brooks and goes by the nature name of Twig. Twig was at Woodleaf and rocked the house down with his guitar playing last year. Someone used a phone video camera to capture his performance and posted it on You Tube. Twig made quite an impression again this year, playing two songs. For one of the songs he had guitar and drum back up by two of the Naturalists - Sasquatch and Yheti. Go to You Tube and search Woodleaf Outdoor School to watch his amazing performance. Ashton and Melia played piano and also impressed the crowd. Erik demonstrated his Yo-Yo expertise. Students got on stage and sang and give advice on keeping warm.

Spring thing was a great success with dancing, games, talent and food. If you missed it this year be sure to be there next time!



Telling Secrets to Strangers
I stand here with my ear pressed against your chest.
I can hear your heart beating slightly erratic.
A little too fast.
Your arm snaked around my waist and my head bent.

My head was bent.
Bent to the secrets.
To the openness that I almost couldn't handle.
But I loved that openness
I was addicted to the raw emotion.
I'm sure I still am.
Telling secrets to strangers.
Maybe you should try it....
I think everyone should get a chance
To tell a secret to a stranger.

Margie Dixon-North
Colfax Center, grade 10

Colfax Center

STAR testing is approaching fast! Please be sure to ask your teacher for specific testing information for your child's grade level. Students in grades 9th-11th will test from 9am – 1pm or so (depending) on April 17th, 18th and 19th. Students in grades 2nd-8th will test from approximately 9-12 (depending) on April 24th, 25th and 26th. All testing will take place at the Sierra Vista Center, 55 School Street in Colfax. Phone: (530) 346-8726. Schedules will be posted at the center as well. If a student misses any part of STAR testing, make-ups will be scheduled through your PL teacher.

The Center will be closed from April 3rd through April 9th for Spring Break. Classes will also be cancelled from April 17th through 26th for STAR testing. Regular classes will resume from the week of April 30th through the week of May 21st. **Last week of center classes** will be the week of May 21st. Independent study courses end on the last day of school, June 4th.

We will be holding a **Community Meeting on April 11th at 4:30** to discuss our progress on finding a Placer County Sponsor for our Charter. Please join us to hear information as well as have your voice heard. Placer County's Board of Education will be meeting to vote on our sponsorship Thursday, **April 12th at 7pm** at the Placer County Office of Education.

PE testing at Sierra Vista Center for 4th, 7th and 9th graders will take place on May 9th at 12:30. Please contact your PLT for more information.

Our **Spring Choir Performance** will be held on May 15th at 6:30 at the Sierra Vista Center.

An **Open House will be held on Thursday, May 3 from 3-5.** Families will be able to sign up for classes for the first time at Open House! Families may also sign-up through their teacher. For class sign-ups, students will be asked to prioritize their top four classes, and a lottery will be held for popular classes. Students who have not taken a class before will have priority for that class.

CSUS Aquatic Center Field Trip (9am-3pm) is happening on May 22. Sign-ups were through your PLT.

Memorial Day Holiday is on May 28th.

We are working on our **class schedule** for next year. Please ask your teacher for a draft of what we have so far! We are **looking for a vendor** to teach our **High School Computer Class**. Please contact Sandy if you are interested or may know of someone who is. Thank you.

High School Graduation will be held on Saturday, June 2 at 10am. The site is Western Gateway Park in Penn Valley. Graduates should have already ordered their cap and gowns through the center, but there is more info about ordering extra's (i.e. announcements, etc.) on your own. Information is in the front office.

Skateboards were used to build this very cool, creative and also sturdy chair, a fine example of ingenuity and recycling by Will Baker, Colfax Center mid year graduate.

Great job, Will!



Butte County

2nd annual Camptonville Science Fair is being held on **March 30th** from 12:00-2:00 at the Chico Center. Science projects need to be turned in on March 29th before 4:00 P.M. Please fill out an application, which can be picked up at either at the Chico or Paradise center. At 12:00 students have the option to do oral presentations. It is open to K-12 grades. Let's all help make this year's science fair a great success.

Spring break will be April 2nd – 9th. Have a great holiday and we'll see you on **Tuesday** the 10th.

Plate Tectonics field trip at CSU, Chico Wednesday, April 4, at 11:00. Limited space is available, so please email Lori at rhansen45@sbcglobal.net ahead of time to reserve a spot. This lab is geared toward 4-6th grade students.

Chico Christian School is opening up one of their assemblies to the students at CORE on April 20. "**Amazing World of Physics**" is appropriate for grades 1-8. If your child would like to participate in the assembly you will need to call 879-8989 to confirm.

Butte County **STAR testing** will be the week of April 23rd. There will be **no classes** at the centers that week. Your teacher will be giving you specific **schedules** soon for each of your students, listing the specific subjects, dates and times your students in grades 2 – 11 will be testing for STAR.

Charter Schools Week will be April 30th – May 4th. Our **Student Expo** at the Chico Center will be on Tuesday, May 1st from 6:00 - 8:00 PM.

PE testing for all 5th, 7th and 9th graders will be on Friday, May 4th. The Paradise PE test will be from 1:00 - 3:00, at Bille Park if the weather is nice or the Paradise Center if it's raining. The Chico center test will be from 9:00 - 11:00 at Hooker Oak Park if the weather is nice or the Mormon Church gym, 2430 Mariposa Ave., across the street from the Safeway on East Ave. if it's raining. Your child will need to know his or her height and weight. All students will be tested on body composition, aerobic capacity, upper body strength, (push ups), core strength (curl ups and trunk lifts) and flexibility, (touch their fingers behind their backs) This test is mandatory for all students in 5th, 7th and 9th grades.

All 10th grade students who did not attend the **CAHSEE** (California High School Exit Exam) in February **MUST** take the test in May: May 8th for the English and May 9th for the math portion. Testing will take place at the Chico center. Students in grades 11 and 12 who have not passed one or both sections must also attend. **You must pass to graduate! This is the last CAHSEE test of the year. Students should arrive at 8:45 with picture ID.** All morning classes at the Chico center will be canceled to allow quiet for the students. Classes after 12:30 will meet.

There will be another **art show at the Silver Dollar Fairgrounds in May**. Geri will provide details in future newsletters.

If you think experiencing a field trip to an organic farm called **Pyramid Farms** sounds fun, join others on May 8th at 9:00 A.M. The farm is located at 12242 Meridian Road in Chico. Families who are interested should try and car-pool as much as possible. Patricia Smith lives near the farm and will provide limited parking. The cost is \$2.00 per person.

Email Patricia for details, Patricia95973@gotsky.com or give her a call at 343-2055 in the evening.

Late in May we will host **Crime Scene Science**, where kids will uncover the clues to a mock crime. Find out how Forensic Scientists take fingerprints, footprints, etc. This assembly will be on Friday, May 31, at 12:45, also in Chico. Again, we will have a 40 maximum.

The date for our performance of "**Olivia**" is going to be on May 31st at the Chico Women's Club, 592 E. 3rd Street in Chico. The students have been working hard, along with Michelle and Kathleen and we think this will be one of best performances of the year, possibly Oscar material. Everyone is invited to come!!! The specific time hasn't been determined yet, but we'll let you know soon.

Graduation ceremonies in Penn Valley will be on Saturday, June 2nd for all the 8th graders and 12th graders who will be participating in this wonderful opportunity to shine. Please join us, so mark your calendars. All students, even the graduates, will have their last day of school on **Monday, June 4th**. We hope you all have a fun filled summer vacation.

The **yearbook** is coming together nicely. You may purchase one in advance for \$30 at either center.

We're selling **CORE canvas bags** for \$5.00, just ask at either center and pick one up for yourself.

We have a new rewards program started for **Accelerated Reader** you will want to hear about and get your student started on. Talk to Sarah or Winter about the details.



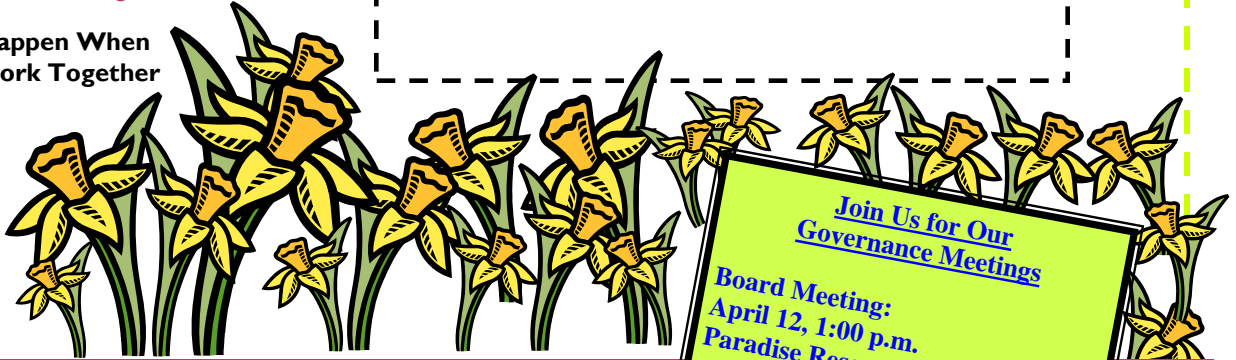
Jeremy Heckman, Grade 12, has been selected Regional winner to represent California and Nevada at the Moose International Student Congress in Gettysburg, PA in May. All of Jeremy's expenses will be paid when he travels to present the "**How to Deal with a Bully**" program he designed. If he wins first place it will mean a \$7000 scholarship and a trip to Miami, FL in June, and Reno, NV in September, to attend the Moose International and State Conventions. Second and third place awards are \$4000 and \$2000 scholarships. Good Luck Jeremy!

Jeremy has also been awarded the Prudential Spirit of Community Award. The award will be presented by a Prudential representative at the graduation ceremony, June 2.



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Marysville Center



Congratulations goes out to our own Nicole Geiger who won the Yuba County Spelling Bee. Nicole is a fifth grader who attends the Marysville Center. She won spelling "gratuitous" and "loquacious" correctly. She received a prize and a trophy and will attend the state competition on May 19. Also,



Marysville Center's, Laureen Ferguson came in at 6th place receiving a prize and great applause for her courage. Way to go Laureen!



Parent Training

Parents come and learn something new and share good ideas! We will be having a Parent Training Workshop Day on *Friday, April 13, 2007, 9:00-1:00*, at the Marysville Resource Center. Supervision and activities for children will be provided. Also, with the Parent Training we will be having a **Clothing Exchange** Please Bring your gently used and washed clothing into the center between *March 26th and April 11th*. Contact Tracey or Angela at the Marysville Center Front Desk with any questions. (530-742-2786)

Marysville **STAR testing** will be the week of April 23rd – 27th. There will be **no classes** at the center that week. 2nd – 7th grade testing will be held at the Marysville Resource Center. 8th – 11th will be held at the United Methodist church, 730 D Street, Marysville.

PE testing for all 5th, 7th and 9th graders will be held on Monday, April 23, 12:30 P.M. @ Marysville Center.

Last Assembly! Kids First Aid – Hands On Science, Instructor: **Marcy Morgan** May 4, 2007: 9:30-10:30 (K-3), 11:00-12:00(4th-6th)

Students will learn what he or she can or can't do in case of an emergency. Students will also create an "Emergency Contact Sheet" and a "Mini-First Aid Kit".

Science Fair: Time to finish up your project for the Science Fair which will be part of Open House on May 18th. Forms can be picked up at the front desk with the deadline being April 20th. The registration packet contains lots of information. If you have any further questions, feel free to contact Ellie Palmer at 701-7993 or email her at epalmer@coretca.org.

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The **Marysville Center 07/08 class schedule** is currently available. Along with the schedule you need to pick up the center class request. A lottery system will be used to determine order of class enrollment. Class registration is initially limited to a students top 3 choices which are to be approved and signed by your Personalized Learning Teacher.

Dates to Remember:

Parent Training Day will be held Friday, April 13th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Open House/Science Fair will be held on May 18th.



Students discovered the art of **balloon twisting** in March with Joni Lindholm. They had fun with snapping, stretching, and twisting as they learned how to make many different objects from balloons."

"A big **"thank you"** to **Carolyn Zelder!** Last month, she catered a wonderful breakfast for Marysville staff. The meal was beautifully arranged with flowers, fresh fruit, and many **delicious options to chose from.**"



Encore & Showstoppers Dance Competition

Fourth grader, Autymn Fox, is a member of the JDE Competition Dance Team. She danced in three routines: Lyrical – Fly, Jazz – Workin' Day & Night and Musical Theater – Le Jazz Hot. At Encore Autymn received 3 gold medals and at Showstoppers she received 2 gold and 1 Silver medal.

