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## “Black Garlic” – a New Lost Sierra Specialty

By DUNCAN A. KENNEDY

GRAEAGLE In the last couple years, even with the pandemic and wildfires raging across the area in that time, you may have noticed advertisements – in person or online – for a product called “black garlic”, and some of you may have even noticed this product in stores or have seen a dish containing it on the menu at a local restaurant. This unique local specialty delicacy is the brainchild of two local entrepreneurs who were inspired by a food preservation technique several millennia old.

So what is black garlic anyway? According to Pine Cone Kitchen cofounder Greg Lusson, this substance is produced by taking whole bulbs of garlic and fermenting them for 60 days with a combination of heat and humidity until the bulbs’ tissues undergo chemical reactions (a Maillard reaction) that turn a deep yellow into a dark, almost black color. The flavor is less acrid and more earthy than normal garlic and has a sweet aftertaste, almost like a slightly garlic-flavored gummy candy.



This food is an odd but versatile substance; due to its soft texture, it can be directly spread on bread or crackers, mixed into cream cheese, or incorporated into a variety of dishes. Pine Cone Kitchen has held recipe competitions between local chefs previously, producing interesting results such as a black garlic pasta at Whitehawk Resort and a black roast pheasant at the Iron Door in Johnsville. Its flavor is more delicate than raw white garlic, so it can’t quite be used the same way. Some locally have called it “The Caviar of the High Sierra”, but this author believes it to be more like the Truffle of the Lost Sierra, since it tastes similar to one and can be dried slightly and grated in much the same way as a truffle.

This local sensation is the brainchild of local culinary enthusiasts, Bay Area refugees and chronically curious experimentalists Greg Lusson and Kayla Burton. Both are lifelong foodies, and in Burton’s case, longtime visitors to the Lost Sierra (her grandfather built a cabin in what is now Plumas County in 1952 and took his descendants there to vacation every summer). Lusson first ran into black garlic as a noodle garnish in a ramen house during a previous career, at the time wondering if it was garlic cured in soy sauce in some manner.

During the COVID-19 pandemic of the last couple years, the duo realized they could theoretically live and work from anywhere with the new developments in virtual communication and remote lifestyle options. When pondering where they’d want to be located, they ultimately spiraled back to Plumas County, in the same area where Burton had spent her summers growing up. At one point, while hanging out at the Knotty Pine Tavern in Graeagle, Lusson mentioned he’d been working on a black garlic recipe, and “things just snowballed from there.” The Knotty Pine was also the first place to stock black garlic from Pine Cone, as soon as the duo had launched their business and gotten their first products done. The tavern first used the garlic as a garnish on Bloody Marys, though the product’s versatility would rapidly come to light as more people learned about it and experimented with it.

Pine Cone Kitchen has pondered a variety of future plans as to what to do with their garlic. The duo hopes they’ll be able to engage in opportunities like the Plumas-Sierra County Fair in July and the Reno Garlic Fest in August. They’ve been purchasing the garlic for fermenting from local producers, but are producing their own garlic as well for the first time this year, and hope to experiment with wild garlic foraged from the Lakes Basin near Graeagle as well to produce some novel limited runs.

Other options on the table include hot sauce containing black garlic, a dry rub produced in partnership with Simply Roots Coffee, and potentially some garlic honey experiments with Lost Sierra Honey, a close business partner. Another recipe contest will be held this June, with anyone from the public who is interested encouraged to participate. Lusson has a long-term vision of potentially selling at outlets in Reno, but wants to make sure he doesn’t have to compromise their small-scale process and community-oriented business model to do it.

Lusson and Burton would like to thank Lost Sierra Honey and Knotty Pine Tavern for helping them realize this vision, the Cuccia family for their support and mentorship, and the Ronin Fermentation Project for being a good place to have a drink during the development process.

*This article is the first entry in a series about local notables and what they’re doing entitled “Faces of the Lost Sierra”. If you have anyone you’d like to nominate for this series, feel free to contact us by phone or email. The Mountain Messenger would like to thank Greg Lusson and Kayla Burton for reaching out and offering to let us interview them for this article. Go find some black garlic on Plumas County shelves, at farmers’ markets or in local cuisine; it’s good stuff!*



Due to copyright laws, we are precluded from printing a screenshot of the actual image found in the March 16th edition of the New York Times. However, the picture shown above is a completely accurate simulation of the graphic sent to The Mountain Messenger by a friend in New York.

## The Mountain Messenger, Downieville, and the Great Yuba Pass Chili Cook-off Receive Ink in the New York Times

By CARL BUTZ

Last Wednesday, March 16, in the Arts section of the New York Times an piece with the titled "What's in Our Queue? 'Life on Earth' and More", written by Gabe Cohn, Senior News Assistant at the newspapers Culture Desk, was published.

In the fifth position within Cohn's queue, he wrote:

"**Newspaper: The Mountain Messenger.** For a chunk of 2021, I lived in a tiny town in the High Sierra. This paper from Downieville, Calif., and its local stories — there was recently one about an annual chili cook-off — help me feel connected to the region. For your own geographic wistfulness, sub in a paper from a

place you love."

For anyone who wants to see the article and the actual picture of *The Mountain Messenger* (wherein the images of Dylan Martinelli, Abigail Salisbury, Katie Epps, and Niecea Freeman are prominently displayed) seen by the nearly eight million subscribers of America's "paper of

record", just point your internet browser to <https://www.nytimes.com/by/gabe-cohn>, click on the March 16 entry, and scroll through to the fifth segment of the article.

Yes, with Gabe Cohn's assistance, the world is just a little bit more aware of the so called "Lost Sierra" region.

## TMWA Joins Forces with US Forest Service and the National Forest Foundation to Protect Truckee River Watershed

TRUCKEE – In collaboration with the US Forest Service and other funding partners, Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA) has entered into a two-year, \$500,000 commitment with the Tahoe National Forest and National Forest Foundation to help fund the “Ladybug Forest Health and Fuels Reduction Project,” an initiative that is expected to be completed in 2025.

TMWA’s support is part of a broader network of contributions from the US Forest Service (USFS), California Wildlife Conservation Board, The Nature Conservancy, and others. The overall project cost, estimated to be \$3,800,000, will be implemented by the National Forest Foundation through an existing partnership with the USFS.

“TMWA’s investment in the Ladybug project will improve 2,400 acres of National Forest System lands. This is an historic investment and indicative of the need for new partnerships to counter the threat of catastrophic fires,” said Jonathan Cook-Fisher, Truckee District Ranger.

Wildfires can introduce contaminants into the ecosystem and ultimately the water supply when associated ash and eroded soil enters rivers, lakes and reservoirs. This can cause acute water quality challenges and interrupt water treatment processing

downstream. “Improving forest health across the middle Truckee River watershed is an essential part of providing clean, safe drinking water to the citizens of California and Nevada,” says Rachel Hutchinson, Acting Sierraville District Ranger.

Approved in 2020, the Ladybug Forest Health and Fuels Reduction Project includes mechanical thinning of commercial and non-commercial timber, mastication, and prescribed fire. The project area consists of an overcrowded forest, impacted by historic Comstock era logging and fire suppression activities.

Work commenced in 2021 is expected to continue through 2025. For more information about the project visit <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=55750>.

## Sourdough Jack Sez...



*Garlic tasting like a gummy candy? Ah ... the wonders of fermentation never cease to amaze ... Hey, instead of jelly on my toast, a little tippie at dawn sounds good.*



## Katie's Sightings

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KATIE O'HARA KELLY



Spillwater Creek

It's raining right now, and last Tuesday it rained a total of .66"! Yahoo! On Tuesday, like today, it was raining lightly so I went out wandering to see what I could see. I decided to head over to a seasonal creek that had been bone dry last week. To my joy, the water in the creek was running and the bedrock pools were filled with rainwater! I kept hiking upstream from one pool to another, delighting in the small waterfalls flowing between them!



Western Polypody & Dendroalsia Moss  
*Polypodium hesperium* - *Dendroalsia albigetina*

The moss and ferns that grew along the bank of the creek were lush and full from the rain. The moss formed thick, soft, damp cushions on the rocks. The ferns dripped and danced in the rain! Such beauty!



Water Strider - *Gerris* sp.

Since the pools had been covered with dried algae for the past two months, there weren't any frogs in them. Surprisingly, however, there were Water Striders! These insects spend the winter as adults under leaf litter and rocks on the forest floor. Now that the water is present and temperatures have warmed up, they're back preying on insects and spiders on the surface of the ponds. Water Striders have several thousand hydrofuge (water resistant) hairs per square mm, on their body and legs. These hairs allow them to "walk on water"!

For color photographs of other fauna and flora Katie spotted on her stroll along the creek bed canyon and the Yuba River, readers are encouraged to visit her blog. There are close-ups of many birds: Northern Flickers, a Hermit Thrush, Wood Ducks, Ring-necked Ducks, and Pied-billed Grebes. She also shares nice images of plant life: Brewer's Rock Cress, Seep-spring Monkeyflower, Shelton's Violet/Fan Violet, Milk Maids/Toothwort, Willow Catkins, Alder Catkins, plus Greenleaf Manzanita and Plum Tree blossoms. She closes the blog with a rainbow soaring out of the forest amidst a misty sky.



*Editor's Note: Running for seven weeks is the next book in the anthology Where Two Rivers Meet. Narrated by different characters, the anthology is a series of modern tales set in California's Gold Rush Country. Earlier installments have appeared in previous editions of The Mountain Messenger.*

Where Two Rivers Meet Anthology Book Five

### LISTEN TO EVERY ZEPHYR

By H. A. Silliman

#### PART 1: A SIGN OF THE TIMES

A new era begins. My sign, Vera Josephine Norbert, D.V.M., at the veterinary clinic finally came down—a week after I retired and the new owner took over. I watched the sign company do its thing and then went to the little riverside café, where I waited for my old friend Rev. Steve Gagnon to show up for a chat. I guessed what he wanted to talk about: saving wild horses. He figured that since I had closed out my career, I couldn't sully my reputation by hitching up with his little band of environmentalists. After all, Rev. Gagnon had managed to recruit my late mentor Doc Benton Niles into an unexpected life of activism after Doc himself had retired. Handing me the keys, Benton had said, "Forgive me for what I'm about to do. I can't keep quiet any longer about how man's screwing up the planet." The next thing I knew, the Two Rivers Ledger ran a story about the sheriff arresting Benton and a passel of others protesting a giant quarry near the Empire River.

Thinking about dear Benton takes me back many years when, as a newly-licensed doctor of veterinary medicine, I returned home to Two Rivers. Right off at the job interview Doc had said, "Just to know, you've already got a reputation as a tree-hugger!" This was an obvious reference to my youthful Earth Day activities years before. "I need a reliable associate who knows and loves the community and who has a deeper sympathy for the natural world. That's you."

I've always adored all creatures. All along I think I have been guided by—call it what you will—the Great Spirit, God or Gaia, to a closer walk with the animal kingdom. As a little girl who liked wandering in the woods, I imagined the whispers and murmurs I heard were the forest creatures greeting me—happy I was there. When I'd come upon some lovely animal, I would stand absolutely still as we regarded one another in quiet respect. Maybe my great-grandmother had something to do with this. She was full-blooded Squamish from the Pacific Northwest, so my rapport with nature might be genetic. Maybe it's even why I chose to be a veterinarian.

Our family has always entertained a menagerie of animals: dogs and cats, rabbits (no, we didn't eat them!), a pet squirrel, even a friendly skunk made nightly rounds to our back patio to feast on the nuts and vegetables we put out. I fed the cheeky little guy celery stalks by hand, right at my feet. On Sunday nights, we tuned in religiously to the Wild Kingdom with Marlin Perkins. This was the late '60s. Mom, Dad and my brothers, Nick and Noel, we all watched together, snacking on popcorn. Simple fun in a simpler era.

In eighth grade, our social studies teacher, Mrs. Briggs, made all us kids do projects for the very first Earth Day. And sort of like how kids nowadays latch onto dinosaurs, I discovered wolves. I went crazy over them. I transformed into their rabid advocate. I learned that wolves had been hunted to near extinction, especially in our national parks. This was madness. I gave speeches in classes, at service clubs and to the P.T.A. I demanded a halt to hunting of animals—deer, coyotes, bear. No more annual hunting seasons! No more deer tags! Virtual heresy in the Gold Country.

I pretty well made myself a pest on animal rights. My talks around town ended up as items in club meeting reports printed in the Two Rivers Ledger. Luckily, in my corner I had Mrs. Briggs, who sent encouraging notes. On the other hand, my dad heard earfuls from folks—OK, men—around town who'd call him at the mill or stop him on the street. Yet he whispered nary a word to me until when I had to decide where to launch my veterinary career—in the city or in Two Rivers. He told me, with a big laugh, that I had been quite the lightning rod for ecology. But look! Years later, that reputation had earned me a job. And now, Rev. Gagnon wanted me to close the circle: Return to the roots of my youth and become a modern day eco-warrior—a peaceful one, though. "We're loud and intrusive, but we don't do anything destructive," the reverend said once during an interview with the Ledger. I'm sure the church board appreciated hearing that!

When I returned home as a new veterinarian, I lived with my parents at the top end of Battery Street. A bit of forest abuted the back property line. Having just retired as the mill's general manager, my father set up bird feeders outside and began bird-watching. The feeders attracted flocks of birds and all sorts of little critters, who skittered in and out of the backyard to mooch on spilled seeds and grains. On early mornings and evenings while my father stood on station with binoculars, I took up a post alongside to watch the pageant of creatures stopping by. On nicer days, I sat absolutely still in an Adirondack chair outdoors. Over time, birds, squirrels, foxes and other critters would edge close to me—sometimes hopping right my arm. In quiet communion, we sat. One morning something amazing happened!

#### NEXT WEEK PART 2: THE FOX AND THE PONY

Writer and journalist H.A. Silliman grew up in the Mother Lode and lives in California's Outback country. Read books 1 through 4 at [hasilliman.weebly.com/fiction](http://hasilliman.weebly.com/fiction). © 2022 by H.A. Silliman

### 20/20 Hindsight

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## Poetry Corner

### Parasol

By Djuan Barnes

A frog leaps out across the lawn,  
And crouches there—all heavy and alone,  
And like a blossom, pale and over-blown,  
Once more the moon turns dim against the dawn.

Crawling across the straggling panoply  
Of little roses, only half in bloom,  
It strides within that beamed and lofty room  
Where an ebon stallion looms upon the hay.

The stillness moves, and seems to grow immense,  
A shuddering dog starts, dragging at its chain,  
Thin, dusty rats slink down within the grain,  
And in the vale the first far bells commence.

Here in the dawn, with mournful doomèd eyes  
A cow uprises, moving out to bear  
A soft-lipped calf with swarthy birth-swirled hair,  
And wide wet mouth, and droll uncertainties.

The grey fowls fight for places in the sun,  
The mushrooms flare, and pass like painted fans:  
All the world is patient in its plans—  
The seasons move forever, one on one.

Small birds lie sprawling vaguely in the heat,  
And wanly pluck at shadows on their breasts,  
And where the heavy grape-vine leans and rests,  
White butterflies lift up their furry feet.

The wheat grows querulous with unseen cats;  
A fox strides out in anger through the corn,  
Bidding each acre wake and rise to mourn  
Beneath its sharps and through its throaty flats.

And so it is, and will be year on year,  
Time in and out of date, and still on time  
A billion grapes plunge bleeding into wine  
And bursting, fall like music on the ear.

The snail that marks the girth of night with slime,  
The lonely adder hissing in the fern,  
The lizard with its ochre eyes aburn—  
Each is before, and each behind its time.

This poem is in the public domain. Published in Poem-a-Day on March 20, 2022, by the Academy of American Poets.

**About this poem:** "Pastoral" appeared in *A Book* (Boni and Liveright, 1923).

**About this poet:** Djuna Barnes, born in a log cabin near Cornwall-on-Hudson, New York, on June 12, 1892, was a novelist, poet, playwright, journalist, and visual artist who is associated with the early 20th-century, Modernist movement. She moved from bohemian Greenwich Village in 1921 to Paris and spent the rest of the decade there writing and enjoying the salon circuit. After residing at a manor in south west England throughout the 1930s, she returned to Greenwich Village in 1940, renting a small apartment she occupied for the next 40 years. Here, after sobering up, she wrote *The Antiphon* (1958), a play responding to her upbringing within an abusive household.

Amongst the many books Barnes authored, *The Book of Repulsive Women* (Bruno Chap Books, 1915), *A Book* (Boni and Liveright, 1923), and *Nightwood* (Faber & Faber, 1936) are her most famous. She died at few days after her 90th birthday, on June 18, 1982.



Djuna Barnes in Paris

### Much Later

By Gertrude Stein

Elephants and birds of beauty and a gold fish. Gold fish or a superstition. They always bring bad luck. He had them and he was not told. Gold fish and he was not old. Gold fish and he was not to scold. Gold fish all told. The result was that the other people never had them and he knows nothing of it.

This poem is in the public domain. Published in Poem-a-Day on March 19, 2022, by the Academy of American Poets.

**About this poem:** "Much Later" appeared in *A Book Concluding With As A Wife Has A Cow: A Love Story* (Éditions de la Galerie Simon, 1926).

**About this poet:** Gertrude Stein (1874-1946) was another American and Modernist movement poet and novelist who resided in Paris during the 1920s. Her most well-known work is *The Autobiography of Alice B. Toklas*.

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## On the Shelf

By PAUL GUFFIN

### Spring — the season

According to the New Oxford American Dictionary, “spring” has an abundance of meanings. As a verb, it can mean to “move rapidly or suddenly from a constrained position”, to “appear suddenly or unexpectedly from”, to “become warped or split”, and “informal pay for, especially as a treat for someone else”. As a noun, it can be “a resilient device, typically a helical metal coil, that be pressed or pulled but returns to its former shape when released”, “a sudden jump upward or forward”, “a place where water or oil wells up from an underground source, or the basin or flow formed in such a way”, and “an upward curvature of a ship’s deck planking from the horizontal”. However, it is the other noun definition upon which we want to focus today: “the season after winter and before summer, in which vegetation begins to appear, in the northern hemisphere from March to May and in the southern hemisphere from September to November”.

Being in the northern hemisphere, ourselves, we experienced the beginning of the season of spring as of 8:33 AM PDT on March 20 of this year. (In the southern hemisphere, spring will begin at 6:03 PM PDT on September 22 of this year — the moment that we, here in the north, begin to experience autumn.)

But, how about the name of the season, “spring”? Why is it called that? According to the Online Etymology Dictionary, the name “spring” (a noun) comes from the verb “spring”. The verb derives from the Old English springan, meaning “to leap, burst forth, fly up, spread, grow”. It is not surprising, then, that the name of the “season following winter, first of the four seasons of the year; the season in which plants begin to rise” should take on the verb as its noun name. The season’s name suggests “...a special sense of an...’act or time of springing or appearing; the first appearance; the beginning, birth, rise, or origin’ of anything. “The notion is of the ‘spring of the year,’ when plants begin to rise and trees to bud”.

A website titled “Mental Floss” lists 15 scientific reasons Spring is the most delightful season:

1. temperatures are moderate;
2. there is more daylight;
3. the birds return;
4. there are baby animals everywhere;
5. you’re safer;
6. you can go outside;
7. it makes you more creative;
8. the leaves come back;
9. growing plants absorb carbon dioxide;
10. it’s easy to find fresh produce;
11. flowers are in bloom;
12. you can take your exercise routine outdoors;
13. you don’t have to worry about dry air;
14. you can open your windows; and,
15. you can get your vitamins naturally.

Oh, and just in case you’re planning ahead, the season of spring this year, in the northern hemisphere, will end at 2:13 AM PDT on June 21.

#### “Spring” books in the Downieville Library

There are a few books in the library that engage with the idea of spring — in one way or another. Here they are:

The Beginning of Spring, by Penelope Fitzgerald (fiction)  
First Day of Spring, by Sharon Gordon (easy reader)  
Fisherman’s Spring, by Roderick L. Haig-Brown (non-fiction)  
Spring Wildflowers of the San Francisco Bay Region, by Helen K. Sharsmith (non-fiction)  
Mouse’s First Spring, by Lauren Thompson (easy reader)  
The Gales of Spring: Thomas Jefferson, the Years 1789-1801, by Leonard Wibberly (biography)

### Sierra Valley’s Tour de Manure is SOLD OUT!

Sierraville — The June 4th Tour de Manure Metric Century bicycle ride in Sierra Valley has filled all of its available spots. “We are extremely gratified for the remarkable response to this year’s event,” said Mike Blide, Tour Boss of the 2022 Metric Century. “It is a testament to organizers of the past 11 Tours that this ride has such an enthusiastic following.”

The limit of 500 riders is largely due to the lack of available parking, but is also because feeding this group after the ride is a challenge for the all-volunteer crew. “This event is completely volunteer supported, and we have chosen to limit participation to ensure that everyone in attendance has a fantastic, and safe, experience,” said Blide.

The supported ride was moved up in time to the first June Saturday, June 4. It has a new organizing structure, with the nonprofit Sierraville Recreation Association teaming up with the ride’s original host, Sierraville/Sattley Fire and Rescue, to share responsibilities and proceeds. The Recreation Association supports fun, educational and arts events in Sierraville, including classes and music events at the old Sierraville School on Lincoln Avenue, and the club has painted most of the wooden barn quilts mounted around the valley.

More information about the Tour de Manure can be found at [www.tourdemanure.com](http://www.tourdemanure.com). Follow the Tour on Facebook as well.

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### Janis Betty Hunt Boucher 1949 - 2022

Janis Betty Hunt Boucher, our beloved mother, sister and aunt left this earth on March 11th. She will be remembered for her intense love of her daughter, Rana, and life in the Sierra.

Janis was born in Chicago, on September 9, 1949, but her family soon travelled to Lincoln, CA where she and her siblings grew up on the Hunt family dairy. She was an accomplished ballerina from an early age until her teens, performing solo in Sacramento recitals. Jan graduated from Lincoln High School in 1967 later becoming a legal aid in Auburn followed by world travel visiting Europe and much of South America.

Jan worked for the Tahoe National Forest, where she developed her lifelong appreciation of the Sierra and knew much about its flora, fauna and geography before going to work for her parents at Sardine Lake Resort, later becoming a partner and shared owner. She was an instrumental member of the Lakes Basin Coalition created for the protection of the Upper Sardine Lake and Sierra Buttes special treatment areas. Before joining the Resort, Janis was co-owner of the now gone pizza tavern, the “Ore House”, which many residents in Sierra City will remember as a great gathering place.

Jan’s love of living in the mountains in her little cottage where the birds and wildlife gathered, was where she was the happiest. Crystals hanging in the windows, plants brought in every winter to survive the weather and Bob Marley & the Whalers playing on the radio while she painted or made waxed roses was who we will remember. Her sister Elizabeth adds that she will always cherish the wonderful, lifelong sister love and will always carry Jan in her heart with memories of the antics they got into together.

In addition to her beloved daughter Rana Hunt, she leaves her brother Tom Hunt, sister Elizabeth Hunt Hengeler, stepdaughter Jenny (Boucher) O’Donnell, life-long friend Lee Kirby, Hannah Bateman and nephews Josh Martino and Jonathan Chaney. She was predeceased by her grandparents, Audrey and George Browning, as well as her parents, Dorothy and Chandler Hunt.

The family wants to thank her friends and caregivers who helped enrich Jan’s life and are planning a celebration of Jan’s life in June. In lieu of flowers, donations to the World Wildlife Fund or the Sierra County Land Trust are requested.

“Sun is Shining” Bob Marley - 1974

# PEACE

#### BOARD TRUSTEE APPOINTMENT ~One Year Term, April 2022-Dec 2022~ DISTRICT 2 – SIERRAVILLE, SIERRA CITY, SATTLEY

An opening exists for trustee District #2 – Sierraville, Sierra City, Sattley. An interview of interested candidates will take place at the next regular district board meeting on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 6:00pm.

The Trustee must reside within the trustee district and be a registered voter.

This is considered a provisional appointment until the time of the oath of office of the Trustee’s successor in December 2022. Appointee may also run in the 2022 election to qualify for that office.

Those interested in serving as a trustee of the Sierra-Plumas Joint Unified School District Governing Board, and by default also serving on the Sierra County Board of Education, should submit a letter of interest, including past experiences that they believe qualify them for Board membership, and also answer the question, “Why do you want to be a school board trustee?”

**Submit a letter of interest no later than 5:00pm,  
Tuesday, April 5, 2022.**

Mail: James Berardi, Superintendent  
PO Box 955  
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109 Beckwith Road, Building 1 or 3  
Loyalton CA 96118

Emailed letters of interest will not be accepted.

Call the District Office at 530-993-1660 (dial 0) for more information.

## Here Back East

By LENNY ACKERMAN

### Fishing Paradise Valley with Kara

As anyone reading my columns knows, I have long had a special fascination with the state of Montana—its history, its landscape and its unparalleled fly-fishing opportunities. Last night I watched the final episode of the Paramount television series, 1883, which follows a frontier family on their long journey to Montana. To my surprise, Paradise Valley was their last stop—the final resting place for Ilse, the main character. I know Paradise River Valley well from several visits over the years, including a fishing trip with my eldest daughter, Kara, in 1992. Kara had avoided the trip her sister Brooke and I took to the Bob Marshall Wilderness Area in Montana a few years earlier. Our enthusiastic reports afterward of our many adventures may have swayed her, as had the photos from another trip with my nephew to the chalk streams in Yellowstone. This time, when I had the itch to go back to the Valley, Kara was all in. She wanted to experience it for herself—to see “Big Sky Country” and to learn flyfishing.

I was delighted with her change of heart and vowed our time together on this trip would be special. We left New York and landed in Bozeman, Montana, rented a car at the airport and drove west on Highway 90—a long stretch of road running east-west turning off at Route 89 into Livingston. The town of Livingston is at the northern entrance to the Valley and at the time, some 30 years ago, it was nothing more than an old run-down movie theater, a vintage hotel, a grocery—and one of the best fly-fishing outfitters in the west. We stopped in town to stock up on groceries and fishing supplies and then headed to our home base. I had secured a comfortable, furnished cabin to rent near the trailhead to the mountains. Our view from the cabin picture windows was the magnificent Gallatin Range—the western flank of Paradise Valley, the natural gateway into Yellowstone Park.

Kara, surprisingly, made dinner the first night at the cabin—I think her mom gave her some cooking lessons before we left. Afterward, we stepped out onto the deck to observe the evening sky. Millions upon millions of stars formed an elaborate tapestry of bright, twinkling lights. With no noise pollution, the distant howls in the mountains drifted across the Valley toward us, as if the coyotes were close enough to be in our backyard. Maybe some of them were.

Fishing was to start the following day with a float trip down the Yellowstone River, so we went to bed early for a fast start the next morning. I slept like a baby and awoke to a glorious, cloudless dawn. We met up with our guide, a young, long-haired fellow who was pleased to teach Kara, a city girl, how to cast. Kara had deliberately smudged up her brand-new wading pants so she would not look like a complete novice. She needn’t have worried because she took quite easily to casting in the first lessons at the bow of the drift boat. She had soon mastered those 11 to 2 swings essential in tossing a fly. Right off the bat she hooked a cutthroat trout on the bank. Excited as all hell, she kept crying out “Dad look at me!” The thrill of that first fishing experience has lasted nearly 30 years. Only yesterday we talked about our upcoming summer trip to camp in Maine. She and I, along with her husband, Peter, will fish for bass on East Grand Lake and take a float trip down the Baskehegan River.

These days, Yellowstone Park draws bigger crowds, and the town of Livingston has grown to accommodate them. Montana in 1992 was like a walk through the old west. Dinner on our last night was at a saloon, with cowboys in jeans and dirty boots and large hats that stayed on indoors. The next day, we stopped for lunch in Bozeman, where we would catch a connecting flight. Before going to the airport, we had a little time to stroll the wide main street, passing horses tied up outside where parking spots might normally be. We saw girls in denim with big hair and big belt buckles that represented star rodeo riders. Overhead the blue went on forever. Montana’s moniker “Big Sky Country” was apt.



#### Sierra Safe

A program of the  
Plumas Crisis Intervention &  
Resource Center (PCIRC)

OFFERING SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF SEXUAL  
ASSAULT AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
**24hr Crisis Line # 1-877-757-0029**

513 Main St., (530) 993-1237  
P.O. Box 207  
Loyalton, CA 96118 Fax (530) 993-1239

### Western Sierra Medical Clinic

*Serving the Sierra County Community Since 1975*

**Primary Care, Immediate Care  
and Dental Services  
209 Nevada Street, Downieville  
(530) 289-3298**

- All ages welcome
- Veterans welcome!
- Medicare, Medi-Cal, Uninsured, Commercial Insurance, Sliding Fee available for qualified patients. Insurance counseling available.
- Primary care, same day immediate care, physicals and annual wellness exams
- Immunizations/vaccinations
- Illness, colds, flus
- Minor injuries, sprains and strains, cuts, burns, allergies

Primary and immediate care Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. by appointment or walk-in. Telehealth appointments available on Fridays.

On-call medical provider available after hours and on weekends by calling the number above.

Preventive and Repair Dental by appointment or walk-in (Thursdays 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)

**Emergencies call 911.**



# Sheriff's Log

By Jen Henneke

**Monday, March 14**

08:16 - In Loyalton, Eastern Plumas Health Care Ambulance (EPHCA) provided someone with a lift.  
09:40 - In Loyalton, someone illegally cut down a tree on private property. Deputy made a report. Tsk tsk!  
09:49 - In Loyalton, EPHCA was requested.  
14:59 - In Loyalton, Deputy Fadden reported that someone requested a civil standby.  
16:19 - In Pike, there was a non-injury crash. CHP responded.  
18:10 - In Loyalton, someone was stuck in the snow but was later able to rescue them self.  
21:11 - In Loyalton, someone forgot to turn off the lights at the Loyalton Pool building.

**Tuesday, March 15**

10:04 - Report of fraudulent ATM use. The reporting person was told to contact the local police department in the city where the activity took place.  
11:59 - In Sierraville, a vehicle was parked on an abandoned lot. Deputy Fadden made contact with the owner of the vehicle to have it removed.  
14:27 - In Loyalton, someone was arrested for a DUI and other charges. With the rising cost of gas, it really is cheaper to stay home and have a few cold ones. Don’t drink and drive!  
17:39 - In Loyalton, there is an on-going parking issue at the Family Center. Deputy placed 72 hour warnings on the vehicles causing issues.  
18:13 - In Loyalton, someone was arrested for parole violations and other charges.  
18:21 - In Pike, someone accidentally dialed 911.

**Wednesday, March 16**

05:00 - In Loyalton, EPHCA was requested.  
08:53 - In Loyalton, EPHCA provided a lift up.  
10:35 - In Sierraville, a suspicious white van was parked overnight at the Feed Store.  
11:11 - In Sierraville, there was a controlled burn.  
12:04 - In Sierra City, there was a request for agency assistance.  
13:35 - In Goodyears Bar, a citizen needed assistance getting to the Downieville Clinic.  
16:09 - In Downieville, someone was arrested at Coyoteville for embezzlement.

**Thursday, March 17**

01:38 - In Loyalton, EPHCA helped someone get back up.  
14:32 - In Sierraville, some idiot intentionally set a tractor on fire. Too much green beer for someone?  
**Friday, March 18**  
04:56 - In Chilcoot, there was a vehicle on fire. CHP and the Fire Department responded.  
07:34 - In Downieville, there was a vehicle accident involving a dog.  
08:36 - In Loyalton, a citizen requested that a deputy empty their pill drop box.  
10:11 - In Sierra City, there was a report for a coroner’s case.  
10:38 - In Loyalton, a next of kin recovered property from a deputy.

11:51 - In Downieville, a dog bit something or someone.  
13:33 - In Loyalton, EPHCA was requested.  
14:41 - In Loyalton, there was a report of someone disturbing the peace. This particular individual must have been especially rowdy to get called in during mid-afternoon.  
14:53 - In Sierraville, someone was driving recklessly. Slow down and drive safely folks!  
15:27 - In Verdi, someone got stuck in the snow and needed rescuing. The Sheriff’s Office was able to find the stuck individuals and get them to safety.  
16:48 - In Loyalton, someone accidentally dialed 911.

**Saturday, March 19**

07:12 - In Sierra City, there was a report for a coroner’s case.  
09:03 - In Goodyears Bar, a vehicle involved in an accident was abandoned. CHP was notified and the owner was contacted. The owner needed a vehicle jump to move it.  
09:54 - In Sierra City, the 911 caller with static on the line has returned.  
10:12 - In Sierra City near the Kentucky Mine, there were large boulders in the southbound lane of HWY 49. CalTrans was notified.  
11:27 - In Sierraville, a citizen requested assistance from a Deputy relating to a correctable citation being signed off.  
13:37 - In Sierraville, a county department requested that Sergeant Krawford serve paperwork to a Sierraville resident.  
16:33 - In Sierraville, someone was arrested for driving under the influence.  
16:53 - In Loyalton, EPHCA provided a lift up.  
19:27 - In Loyalton, an ambulance was requested but the individual was flown out.  
19:30 - In Loyalton, a traffic stop turned into something more but we have been provided withno idea what more it became.  
21:39 - In Loyalton, there was a report of suspicious activity at the cemetery.  
22:41 - In Chilcoot, someone was cited for an out of county warrant.

**Sunday, March 20**

00:12 - In Loyalton, EPHCA was requested for lift assistance.  
12:25 - In Loyalton, EPHCA helped another person get back up.

**Total Reported: 47**

## PLUMAS-SIERRA CATTLEWOMEN SCHOLARSHIPS

The Plumas-Sierra Cattlewomen are again happy to offer scholarships to this years’ graduating seniors and to last year’s recipients who are continuing their studies and again meeting the qualifications. The amount of the scholarships will be determined by the number of applicants, proceeds from the previous year sale of tickets for our Brand Quilt and the generous support of our communities.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. The applicant must have been a resident of Plumas or Sierra County for one year.
2. If the applicant is from a farm or ranch family, he or she may enroll in any course of study at a college or vocational school.
3. If the applicant is from a non-farm or ranch family, he or she must enroll in agriculturally related programs.

Application packets further outlining qualifications are available now at your high school or at our website: [plumassierracattlewomen.org](http://plumassierracattlewomen.org)

**Contact information:**

Kathleen Goicoechea		Karen Rickman
775-530-8544	OR	530-400-7737
PO Box 883		PO Box 2403
Loyalton, CA 96118		Portola, CA 96122
<a href="mailto:dkgoicoechea@psln.com">dkgoicoechea@psln.com</a>		<a href="mailto:abitofbeach@gmail.com">abitofbeach@gmail.com</a>

### NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

**Wednesday April 6, 2022**

**10:00 a.m.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Sierra County Administrative Hearing Officer will conduct the following public hearings at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday April 6, 2022, in the Sierra County Planning Department, Sierra County Courthouse Annex, 101 Courthouse Square, Downieville, CA. Interested persons are urged to attend.

**Linda Sanford Parcel Merger, Applicant and Landowner:**

Consideration of an applicant-initiated parcel merger of two existing parcels (APNs 013-090-039 and 013-090-040) with a resultant parcel of 1.75 acres. The project site is identified as 10 and 30 Strang Ranch Road, Sattley. Planning staff’s preliminary environmental assessment: exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15305 (Class 5).

**Ben Edwards Parcel Merger, Applicant and Landowner:**

Consideration of an applicant-initiated parcel merger of two existing parcels (APNs 012-124-014 and 012-124-015) with a resultant parcel of 0.28 acres. The project site, identified at 117 and 119 Calpine Avenue, Calpine, will merge two adjacent parcels to accommodate a septic system. Planning staff’s preliminary environmental assessment: exempt under CEQA Guidelines Sections CCR 15303 (Class 3), and 15305 (Class 5).

Persons interested in these matters scheduled before the Administrative Hearing Officer are urged to attend or provide written comments. The Administrative Hearing Officer will consider all verbal testimony during the public hearing and all written comments received prior to the posted hearing date. Send all written comments to the Sierra County Planning Department at: 101 Courthouse Square / P.O. Box 530, Downieville, CA 95936 or via e-mail to: [planning@sierracounty.ca.gov](mailto:planning@sierracounty.ca.gov), Attn: Administrative Hearing Officer, and please clearly reference the entitlement application or project that is the subject of your comments.

If you challenge any action or decision of the Administrative Hearing Officer in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or raised within written correspondence delivered to the Administrative Hearing Officer (in the office of the Sierra County Planning Department) conducting the hearing, at, or prior to, the public hearing and made a part of the administrative record of proceedings. Dated and Posted: March 21, 2022

**Printed in The Mountain Messenger on March 24, 2022**

### NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARTIN KLEIN TOWNSEND

**CASE NUMBER: 22PR0002**

**FILED: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SIERRA on March 17, 2022**

1. To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both: MARTIN KLEIN TOWNSEND
2. **A Petition for Probate** has been filed by: MICHAEL TOWNSEND & CHRISTINA LINDSAY in the Superior Court of California, County of Sierra County
3. The Petition for Probate requests that: MICHAEL TOWNSEND & CHRISTINA LINDSAY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
4. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
5. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
6. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:
  - a. Date: April 22, 2022 Time: 10:00 AM. Dept.: 1 Room: VIA ZOOM
  - b. Address of court: 100 Courthouse Square, P.O Box 476, Downieville CA 95936
7. **If you object** to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
8. **If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent**, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**
9. **You may examine the file kept by the court.** If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
10. Attorney for petitioner: C. INGRID LARSON, P.O. BOX 564, DOWNIEVILLE, CA 95936 (Telephone) 530-289-3654

# At the Firehouse

By VICTORIA TENNEY

**ALLEGHANY:** March 14th—Firefighters trained.

**DOWNIEVILLE:** March 15th—Responded for a Medical Urgent Care incident. March 16th— Responded for a welfare check; COVID-19 testing at the Community Hall. March 17th— Firefighters trained. March 18th—Responded for a public assist; responded for a Medical Urgent Care incident.

**LOYALTON:** March 14th—Lift assist - patient to ambulance, Loyalton; older female with uncontrolled nosebleed, Loyalton; lift assist - patient to home, Loyalton. March 16th—older female with possible heart attack, west of Loyalton; lift assist. Loyalton. March 17th—lift assist, west of Loyalton. March 18th—older male who fell, west of Loyalton. March 19th—Lift assist, west of Loyalton; possible overdose, Sierra Brooks. March 20th—Lift assist, west of Loyalton; lift assist, west of Loyalton.

**PIKE CITY:** March 14th—Firefighters trained in Alleghany. March 20th—Mutual aid response to North San Juan for a vegetation fire - cancelled; mutual aid response to North San Juan for a vegetation fire.

**SIERRA CITY:** All's quiet... No training, no meetings, & no emergencies...

**SIERRA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #1 (CALPINE, SATTLEY, & SIERRAVILLE):** March 17th—Responded to a tractor fire in Sierraville; medical training in Calpine.



## STATEMENT OF NONDISCRIMINATION

Plumas-Sierra Rural Electric Cooperative is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, found online at <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/usda-program-discrimination-complaint-form.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA The letter must contain the complainant’s name, address, telephone number and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by: mail to U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, by fax to (202) 690-7442 or by email to [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov).

### LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: CANYONDAM - DOG’S  
Full name of registrant: Terry Penny  
Registrant Address: 164 Aldon Drive, Chester CA 96020  
Business Address: 29571 Highway 89, Canyon Dam, CA 95923  
Business Mailing Address: PO Box 1747, Chester CA 96020  
Phone number: (530) 816-1431  
This business is being conducted by: an Individual  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 2/1/2022  
/s/ Terry Penny  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Sierra County Clerk-Recorder on: February 10, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000039  
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### LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: SIERRA MINI STORAGE ANNEX  
Full name of registrants: Richard J. Horn and Susan C. Horn  
Registrants Address: 19081 Hillcrest Drive, Woodland, CA 95965  
Business location: 2160 Main Street, La Porte, CA 95930  
Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 351, Clipper Mills, CA 95930  
Phone number: (530) 681-8379  
This business is being conducted by: Married Couple  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/11/2022  
/s/ Richar J. Horn and Susan C. Horn  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 11, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000068  
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### LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: NEFF’S MOBILE DETAILING  
Full name of registrants: Josh Neff  
Registrants Address: 4338 Portsmouth Street, Taylorsville, CA 95983  
Business location: 4338 Portsmouth Street, Taylorsville, CA 95983  
Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 241, Taylorsville, CA 95983  
Phone number: (530) 592-8542  
This business is being conducted by: Individual  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/4/2022  
/s/ Josh Neff  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 4, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000058  
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### LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: INSPIRED DIVERSE ENT.  
Full name of registrant: Anaris E. Frazier  
Business Address: 71857 Kevin La Rue, Portola, CA 96122  
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1053, Portola, CA 96122  
Phone: (530) 836-1480  
This business is being conducted by: Married Couple  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/7/2017  
/s/ Anaris E. Frazier  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder, on: March 7, 2022 FILE NO: 2017-0000059  
**Published in The Mountain Messenger: Mar. 24, 31 & April 7, 14 of 2022**

### LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: TALL TIMBER INDUSTRIES  
Full name of registrants: Allan Laird  
Registrant Address: 33 Quail Lane, North San Juan, CA 95960  
Business location: 33 Quail Lane, North San Juan, CA 95960  
Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 923, Alleghany, CA 95910  
Phone number: (530) 460-7808  
This business is being conducted by: an individual  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: NA  
/s/ Allan Laird  
This statement was filed in the office of Heather Foster, Sierra County Clerk-Recorder on: March 18, 2022 FILE NO: 2022001836  
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### Food Bank Assistance

Community	Contact	
Alleghany/Pike	(530) 287-3040	Once a month
Calpine	(530) 616-0630	
Chester/Lake Almanor	(530) 258-2345	
Chilcoot-Vinton	(530) 283-3546	
Downieville	(530) 289-3250	
Greenville	(530) 284-6353	
Loyalton Senior Center	(530) 993-4770	5 days a week
Loyalton/Sierraville	(530) 384-5718	
Portola	(530) 283-5515	
Sierra City	(530) 862-1052	
Sierra Valley	(530) 993-1110	



# Help Wanted

## Sierra-Plumas Joint Unified School District

Is now hiring for the position of  
**Full Time Maintenance/Custodian - Downieville**  
To learn more, call (530) 993-1660 x 151

## Loyalton High School Teachers needed:

Spanish Teacher  
Junior High ELA/Social Studies Teacher  
P.E./Health Teacher  
**August 2022 Start Dates**  
To learn more, call (530) 993-1660 x 151, or visit <https://www.edjoin.org>

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The City of Loyalton is accepting employment applications for a  
**Certified Waste Water/Water Treatment Plant Operator**  
**Status:** Must have a minimum of a D-1 Water Distribution Certification and Waste Water Treatment Certification Grade 1  
**Salary Range:** DOE **Deadline:** Open till filled  
**Requirements:** The ideal applicant has experience in repairing and maintaining water and waste water distribution lines, pumps, and aerators. Capabilities of operating various equipment such as hydro flusher, backhoe and other construction equipment as needed.

The City of Loyalton is also seeking to fill a vacant  
**Maintenance - Full-Time** position  
**Salary:** DOE **Hours:** 40 hours per week  
**Deadline:** Position open until filled

**Requirements:** Must be able to operate heavy equipment; ideal applicant would have a certificate in water/sewer distribution, have knowledge in all areas regarding maintenance work.

**Apply to:** Employment applications can be obtained at Loyalton City Hall, 605 School Street, Loyalton, CA. 96118 Monday through Thursday 8:00 A.M to 4:00 P.M. Or call City Hall at 530-993-6750

All city employees are subject to pre-employment drug testing requirements

**The City of Loyalton is an equal opportunity employer**

## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: UPTOWN COMPANY HOUSE MANAGEMENT & CONSULTING  
Full name of registrant: Lori A. Ellermeier  
Registrant Address: 37337, Roundhouse Road, Quincy, CA 95971  
Business location: 179 Lawrence Street, Quincy, CA 95971  
Phone number: (530) 616-5433  
This business is being conducted by: Individual  
/s/ Lori A. Ellermeier  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: February 8, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000035  
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## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: KARINA'S UNIQUE CLEANING SERVICE  
Full name of registrant: Jerry Alfredo Cisneros & Karina Rodriguez Cisneros  
Registrant Address: 71 Andy's Way, Quincy, CA 95971  
Business Location: 71 Andy's Way, Quincy, CA 95971  
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1260, Quincy, CA 95971  
Phone Number: (530) 616-5433  
This business is being conducted by: Married Couple  
/s/ Jerry A. Cisneros  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: February 15, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000043  
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## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: HIGH COUNTRY FENCE  
Full name of registrants: Daniel Gooder  
Registrant Address: 72441 Highway 70, Portola, CA 96122  
Business location: 72441 Highway 70, Portola, CA 96122  
Mailing address: P.O. Box 2377, Portola, CA 96122  
Phone number: (916) 955-6286  
This business is being conducted by: Individual  
/s/ Daniel Gooder, Owner  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: January 31, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000031  
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## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: SMALL VENTURE CHILD CARE  
Full name of registrant: Aldeen L. Hamilton  
Registrant Address: 175 Richardson Way, Chester, CA 96020  
Business location: 175 Richardson Way, Chester, CA 96020  
Mailing address: P.O. Box 215, Chester, CA 96020  
Phone number: (530) 258-3802  
This business is being conducted by: Individual  
/s/ Daniel Gooder, Owner  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: February 15, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000042  
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## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant has abandoned the use of the following fictitious name: THE BUCKHORN AND MOUNTAIN CREEK RESTAURANT  
Full name of registrants: JW Resorts  
Business location: 225 Main St., Sierra City CA 96125  
Mailing address: 230 Main St./P.O. Box 234, Sierra City CA 96125  
Phone number: (415) 302-3661  
This business is being conducted by: a corporation  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 7/13/2017  
/s/ Wendall Westfall, President  
This statement was filed in the office of Heather Foster, Sierra County Clerk-Recorder, on: February 28, 2022 FILE NO: 2022001833  
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## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: SIERRA VALLEY DOOR  
Full name of registrant: Brett McCurley  
Registrant Address: 65 Delleker Drive, Portola CA 96122  
Business location: 65 Delleker Drive, Portola CA 96122  
Phone number: (530) 616-0006  
This business is being conducted by: Individual  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: NA  
/s/ Brett McCurley  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: February 22, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000052  
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## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: POLKA DOT, THE  
Full name of registrant: Rae L. Lancaster  
Registrant Address: 261 Sierra Way, Quincy CA 95971  
Business location: 2043 Highway 70, Quincy CA 95971  
Phone number: (530) 283-2660  
This business is being conducted by: Individual  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 9/10/2021  
/s/ Rae L. Lancaster  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: February 28, 2022 FILE NO: 2021-0000228  
**Published in The Mountain Messenger: March 10, 17, 24 & 31 of 2022**

## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: QUINCY TRAPPING SERVICE  
Full name of registrant: Tyson Rael  
Registrant Address: 2044 Red Bluff Trail, Quincy CA 95971  
Business location: 2044 Red Bluff Trail, Quincy CA 95971  
Phone number: (714) 606-9575  
This business is being conducted by: Individual  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 2 /22/2022  
/s/ Tyson Rael  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: February 22, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000051  
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## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2022001827

The following person(s) is doing business as:  
Scratch, 225 S. Lake Avenue, Suite 250, Pasadena, CA 91101  
Scratch Financial, Inc., 225 S Lake Avenue, Suite 250, Pasadena, CA 91101; C4016777; DE  
This business is conducted by a Corporation.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11/15/21.  
/s/ Caleb Morse, COO  
Scratch Financial, Inc.  
This statement was filed with Heather Foster, County Clerk-Recorder of Sierra County on 01/13/2022.  
**3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31/22**  
**CNS-3545792#**  
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## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: TENDER TOUCH ANIMAL REIKI  
Full name of registrant: Terra Nova  
Registrant Address: 381 3rd Avenue, Portola CA 96122  
Business location: 381 3rd Avenue, Portola CA 96122  
Business Mailing Address: 381 3rd Avenue, Portola CA 96122  
Phone number: (530) 394-8661  
This business is being conducted by: an Individual  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 4/1/2022  
/s/ Terra Nova  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Sierra County Clerk-Recorder on: February 28, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000057  
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## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: HANGER BOUTIQUE, THE  
Full name of registrant: Bailee Working  
Registrant Address: 1003 Timber Ridge Rd., Lake Almanor CA 96137  
Business location: 1003 Timber Ridge Rd., Lake Almanor CA 96137  
Business Mailing Address: 1003 Timber Ridge Rd., Lake Almanor CA 96137  
Phone number: (530) 375-0387  
This business is being conducted by: an Individual  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 2/28/2022  
/s/ Bailee Working  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Sierra County Clerk-Recorder on: February 28, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000053  
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## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: CALPINE COMMUNITY FIRE ASSOCIATION  
Full name of registrant: John Mitchell  
Registrant Address: 101 Mountain View Dr., Calpine, CA 96124  
Business location: 101 Mountain View Dr., Calpine, CA 96124  
Business Mailing Address: Box 9, Calpine, CA 96124  
Phone number: (530) 24 -0350  
This business is being conducted by: an unincorporated association other than a partnership  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 12/7/2021  
/s/ John Mitchell  
This statement was filed in the office of Heather Foster, Sierra County Clerk-Recorder on: February 22, 2022 FILE NO: 2022001834  
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## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: GREY SQUIRREL ENTERPRISES, THE  
Full name of registrant: Terry Penny  
Registrant Address: 164 Aldon Drive, Chester CA 96020  
Business Address: 164 Aldon Drive, Chester CA 96020  
Business Mailing Address: PO Box 1747, Chester CA 96020  
Phone number: (530) 816-1431  
This business is being conducted by: Individual  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 2/10/2022  
/s/ Terry Penny  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: February 10, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000037  
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## LEGAL NOTICE \*\* LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: DAM - DOG'S, THE  
Full name of registrant: Terry Penny  
Registrant Address: 29571 Highway 89, Canyon Dam, CA 95923  
Business Address: 29571 Highway 89, Canyon Dam, CA 95923  
Business Mailing Address: PO Box 1747, Chester CA 96020  
Phone number: (530) 816-1431  
This business is being conducted by: an Individual  
The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 2/10/2022  
/s/ Terry Penny  
This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Sierra County Clerk-Recorder on: February 10, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000038  
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PEACE

# The Mountain Messenger Local Calendar sponsored by The Buttes Resort

**12 Step Meeting** - Downieville, Tuesdays, 5:00 P.M. in the Library at 320 Commercial St.  
**Open AA Meetings**—Pike City, Thursdays, 5:30 P.M. at the Pike City Fire House on Ridge Road.  
**Closed AA Meetings**—Sierra City. For information, call (530) 862-1193 or (530) 862 1332.  
**AlAnon Meetings**—Downieville, Tuesdays, noon, in the back room of the Masonic Hall.  
**Alleghany County Water District**—Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month, 6 P.M. at the Firehouse. 105 Plaza Court. alleghanywater.org.  
**Alleghany Volunteer Fundraising District**—Meets 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6 P.M.  
**Calpine Community Fire Association**—Meets 1st Tuesday of each month, 6:30 P.M. at the Calpine Community Center. For information, call (530) 320-0764.  
**Calpine Elks**—Bingo Second & Fourth Saturday from 12-4 p.m. at Calpine Elks Lodge (72182 Hwy 70, west of Portola, next to the Chalet View).  
**Camptonville Volunteer Fire Department Training**—Thursday evenings, 6 P.M. at the Mill Street Fire Station.  
**Downieville Lions Club**—Meets 3rd Monday of each month, 6:00 P.M. at the Masonic Hall. For more information, all (530) 289-3632.  
**Downieville Fire Protection District Board**—Meets 3rd Wednesday of each month, 5:30 P.M. at the Community Hall.  
**Downieville Fire Protection District**—EMS Training 4th Thursday of each month, 6 P.M. at the Community Hall; Fire Personnel Training for New & Ongoing Fire Fighters 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month, 5:30 P.M. at Station 1 (next to the Community Hall).  
**Golden Rays**—Morning Yoga, Mondays and Wednesdays, 8 A.M. at the Downieville Community Hall. Bring a mask and a mat.  
**Gold Nugget Republican Women Federated**—Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month from April through October, 11 A.M. Venue varies each month. For further information, please contact Mary Ervin, President, at (916) 549-4905, or Candy Corcoran, Membership Chair, at (530) 993-4633.  
**Pliocene Ridge Community Services District**—3rd Thursday of each month, 6:30 P.M. Alternates between Alleghany and Pike. plioceneridge.org Pike City and Alleghany Fire Departments train Mondays, 6 P.M. Volunteer Firefighters needed, training and gear provided. Send an email to: plioceneridge@gmail.com for more info.  
**Plumas-Sierra Cattlewomen**—For info contact Flinda France, (530) 258-6522  
**Sierra County Fire Safe & Watershed Council**—Meets quarterly, 10 A.M. to noon. Location to be announced at www.scfswc.com.  
**Sierra County Democrats**—Meetings held last Sunday of each month. Call (530) 862-1475 for time and location.  
**Sierra County Fish & Wildlife Commission**—Meets 4th Tuesday of each month, 5:30 P.M. (except December). Call for location (530) 993-6051  
**Sierra Valley Resource Conservation District**—Meets 1st Wednesday of each month, 10 A.M. Call (530) 993-6051 for location.  
**Sheriff's Search and Rescue**—2nd Saturday of each month, 10 A.M. at Sheriff's Office. Call (530) 289-2890 for information.  
**Tai-Chi**—Sierra City, Mondays and Fridays 9:30 A.M. at the Community Hall. Dee Wallace, (530) 862-1332.  
**Western Sierra Residential Center**—Board meeting, 2nd Tuesdays of each month, 10 A.M. at the Transportation Center (Tommy's parking lot), Downieville. (530) 289-3250  
To rent the **Downieville Community Hall**, call (530) 289-5110 or Email: DownievilleCommunityHall@gmail.com.  
To rent the **Sierra City Community Hall**, call (530) 862-1580 during the evening.  
To rent the **Vinton Grange**, call (530) 993-4839.  
To rent the **North San Juan Senior Center**, call (530) 415-9705

### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

California Highway Patrol - Quincy	283-1100
California Highway Patrol - Grass Valley	477-4900
City of Loyalton	993-6750
CalTrans Downieville Maintenance Station	289-3214
Quincy Maintenance Station	832-4911
Sierraville Maintenance Station	994-3410
Downieville School	289-3473
Downieville Volunteer Fire Department	289-3333
Health & Human Services Dvl	289-3711
Loyalton	993-6700
Loyalton Elementary School	993-4482
Loyalton City Hall	993-6750
Loyalton Cop Shop	993-4479
Loyalton High School	993-4454
Loyalton Volunteer Fire Department	993-6751
Mental Health Services, Loyalton	993-6700
PG&E report outages	800-743-5002
Plumas Ace Hardware, Portola	832-5208
Plumas County Clerk-Recorder	283-6218
Plumas County Sheriff's Office (Front Desk)	283-6375
Sierra County Sheriff's Office—non-emergency	289-3700
Sierra County Clerk-Recorder	289-3295
Sierra Hardware, Downieville	289-3582
Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital	274-6000
Sierra Valley Home Center, Loyalton	993-4331
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Yuba River Ranger District	288-3231
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Top Gainers

1. Solaredge Technologies (SEDG) - \$335.91 (+3.32%)

2. Enphase Energy (ENPH) - \$195.00 (+3.16%)

3. Nucor Corp. (NUE) - \$148.29 (+2.98%)

Top Decliners

1. Adobe Inc. (ADBE) - \$423.63 (-9.32%)

2. Resmed Inc. (RMD) - \$232.27 (-8.93%)

3. Signature Bank (SBNY) - \$297.88 (-7.36%)

Local Gas Prices - 3/23			
	Regular (87)	Premium (91)	Diesel
76 Chester	\$5.69	\$5.89	\$5.85
Sinclair Susanville	\$5.39	\$5.69	\$5.99
FuelGood Westwood	\$5.89	\$6.19	\$6.29
Chevron Hallelujah Junction	\$5.99	\$6.29	\$6.29
Texaco Chilcoot	\$5.95	\$6.25	\$6.25
Sierra Energy 7/11 Portola	\$5.59	\$5.99	\$6.19
Valero Herlong	\$5.69	-	\$5.99
Mobil Quincy	\$5.79	\$6.09	\$6.49
Chevron Quincy	\$5.89	\$6.19	\$6.59
Whites's Station Loyalton	\$5.69	-	\$6.29
Sierraville Service Sierraville	\$5.79	-	\$5.80
Lost Nugget Camptonville	\$5.79	\$6.19	\$6.44
76 Penn Valley	\$5.89	\$6.29	\$6.29
Nevada City Gas Nevada City	\$5.69	\$5.99	\$5.99
ARCO Grass Valley	\$5.69	\$5.89	\$6.39
Shell Truckee	\$6.39	\$6.69	\$6.69

Prices courtesy of gasbuddy.com and phone calls to stations.

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Top Gainers

1. Pinduoduo Inc. (PDD) - \$52.12 (+9.28%)

2. JD.com Inc. (JD) - \$66.87 (+3.24%)

3. DocuSign Inc. (DOCU) - \$102.12 (+2.78%)

Top Losers

1. Adobe Inc. (ADBE) - \$423.63 (-9.32%)

2. Okta Inc. (OKTA) - \$152.14 (-8.60%)

3. Monster Beverage Corp. (MNST) - \$78.44 (-3.51%)

## California Hay Report - 3/18/2022

Compared to last week: Trade activity was moderate and demand was moderate to good. Comparable hay trades sold mostly steady. The South Region is beginning to irrigate alfalfa and expects the 1st cutting to be put up around the end of April. The Southeast Region is moving hay as fast as producers can put it up. Dairies and exporters don't seem to be disputing current prices due to the short hay supplies. According to the US Drought Monitor on March 17, 2022, the San Joaquin Valley, Sacramento Valley and Central Coast are experiencing widespread deterioration and have experienced record dryness throughout the new year. Currently, some reservoirs are at record low levels, contributing to soil moisture ranking below the 2nd percentile. The next report will be Friday, March 25, 2022.

Volume - California			
	This Week	Last Reported	Last Year
	(3/7/2022)		
Tons of Hay:	4445	2350	5600
Bales of Hay:	600	3700	0

Note: The volumes listed above are for confirmed trades only, estimates of tonnage for bids or offers are not included.

North Inter-Mountain				
Hay (Conventional)				
Qty.	Price Range	Freight/Use	Age	
Alfalfa/Orchard Mix-Good Premium (Trade/Per Bale)				
Small Sq. 3 Tie	200	16.50-19.50	FOB-Retail	Old
Forage Mix-Three Way-Fair/Good (Trade/Per Bale)				
Small Sq. 3 Tie	100	15.00	FOB-Retail	Old
Orchard Grass-Good/Premium (Trade/Per Bale)				
Small Sq. 3 Tie	200	19.50-20.00	FOB-Retail	Old
Timothy Grass-Good/Premium (Trade/Per Bale)				
Small Sq. 3 Tie	100	21.50	FOB-Retail	Old

Source: USDA AMS Livestock, Poultry & Grain Market News - [https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/ams\\_2904.pdf](https://www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/ams_2904.pdf)





# Elements

## Night Sky: Spring Equinox 2022

March 20th brought us the astronomical start of the spring season for the northern hemisphere of Earth. At 8:33am last Sunday, the normal tilt of the earth and its orbital path left us facing the Sun with equal amounts of illumination to both hemispheres. This also occurs 6 months later during the autumn equinox.

The name equinox is Latin for "equal night" since the earth roughly receives equal amounts of day and night around this time, excluding other orbital mechanics.

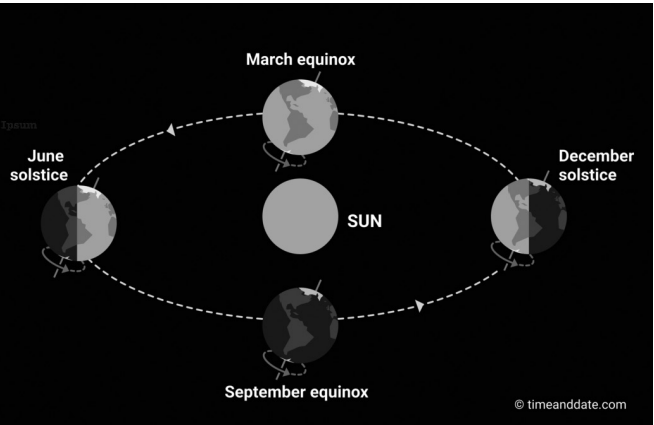
In Downieville, we can expect to see the Sun trace a higher, longer path above Galloway Road for the next 3 months as more of the northern hemisphere is angled toward the Sun. The longest day with the most overhead Sun for us in the northern hemisphere will be the summer solstice on June 21st, when the Sun (Sol-) will stand still (-sistere) in its upward arcs and return to shorter days. More on that this summer.

Keep looking up! — Collin O'Mara-Green

## Sun & Moon

Date:		Thu. 3-24	Fri. 3-25	Sat. 3-26	Sun. 3-27	Mon. 3-28	Tue. 3-29	Wed. 3-30
Sun	Rise:	06:58	06:56	06:55	06:53	06:52	06:50	06:48
	Set:	19:17	19:28	19:19	19:21	19:22	19:23	19:24
Moon	Rise:	01:55	03:02	03:59	04:47	05:26	05:58	06:26
	Set:	11:05	12:05	13:13	14:25	15:37	16:48	17:57
	Illumination	57.8%	45.9%	34.2%	23.6%	14.5%	7.4%	2.6%

Source: <https://www.timeanddate.com/> using Calpine as a reference point. M = Moon does not pass the meridian on this day.



## Road/Trail/River Conditions

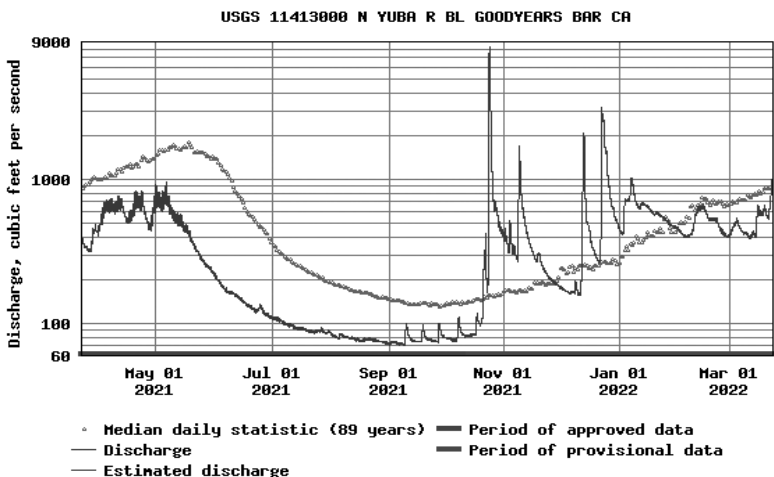
According to Caltrans, delays at various locations "from Rich Bar to 6.6 miles west of the north junction of CA-89" in Plumas County will end after construction work is completed on Friday, 3/25. Otherwise, the major highways in the region are free of traffic control delays.

Meanwhile, the warm weather expected through the upcoming week is likely to bring the snowmobile, cross-country skiing, and snowshoe seasons to a close very soon. On the other hand, hikers and mountain bikers will encounter an expansion of access to trails due to dry, warm weather.

As for the watercourses in the region, the volume of water flowing towards the area's reservoirs is likely to rise with snowmelt increasing significantly over the nex week. Thus, we expect to start seeing kayakers plying the North Yuba River soon.

## Water Flow on the North Yuba River

March 23, 2021 - March 23, 2022



## 7-Day Local Forecast

Towns	Info	Thu. 3-24	Fri. 3-25	Sat. 3-26	Sun. 3-27	Mon. 3-28	Tue. 3-29	Wed. 3-30
Downieville	High/Low (°F)	78/40	76/42	75/43	73/42	64/36	54/34	67/37
	Cloudiness (%)	34%	21%	46%	75%	61%	19%	28%
	Wind (mph):	S 8 mph	S-SW 11 mph	S-SW 9 mph	S 9 mph	SW-W 3 mph	NE-E 4 mph	SW 6 mph
	Humidity (%)	61%	52%	55%	65%	80%	62%	59%
	Change of Precip.	0%	0%	1%	28%	28%	5%	5%
Loyalton	High/Low (°F)	M/37	71/39	75/37	71/39	60/33	51/29	60/31
	Cloudiness (%)	39%	36%	64%	75%	59%	24%	31%
	Wind (mph):	NW-S 6 mph	W-SW 11 mph	SW 11 mph	S-SW 16 mph	W-NW 8 mph	NE-N 7 mph	W 9 mph
	Humidity (%)	53%	46%	52%	57%	68%	61%	57%
	Chance of Precip.	0%	0%	0%	20%	28%	5%	5%
Quincy	High/Low (°F)	76/36	76/38	75/37	72/37	64/34	56/29	67/32
	Cloudiness (%)	33%	20%	50%	44%	58%	18%	31%
	Wind (mph):	W-SW 6 mph	S-SW 10 mph	S-SW 9 mph	S 9 mph	W 4 mph	NE 5 mph	SW 5 mph
	Humidity (%)	64%	55%	63%	65%	78%	65%	63%
	Chance of Precip.	0%	0%	1%	23%	23%	5%	5%

Source: < https://www.weather.gov/wrh/wxtable> [National Weather Service WFO STO 00:40 AM PST Thursday March. 24, 2022] M=Missing

## Last Week's Weather

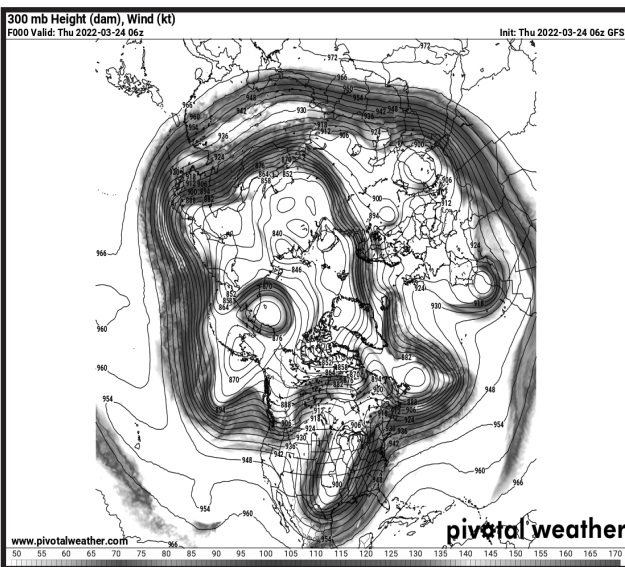
Courtesy of the Grubstake Saloon

Date	Hi	FE	Lo	FE	Precip.	Snow
Mar. 15	60	-1	34	-4		
Mar. 16	66	+9	32	+1		
Mar. 17	62	+1	31	-3		
Mar. 18	67	+7	38	+6		
Mar. 19	43	-21	30	-6	0.43"	
Mar. 20	63	+15	31	+5		
Mar. 21	72	+16	41	+9	"	

Forecast Error (FE) is found by subtracting the forecasted temperatures from the day's recorded value. M = Missing.

### Seasonal Precipitation

July 1 to date	48.72"
To-date last year	30.93"
Yearly average	65.28"



## Jet Streams: March 24

Source: <https://www.pivotalweather.com/model.php>

# Game Corner

		6		8		2		4
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		3	9					5
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: I equals C

GJIXJA KZDZEP NX N XREX-QZKKRG

ARVJAX XJ XARNX DZVZXJAV'

NQQKZIXZJEV:

N INYT-TNZE YNENPRA.

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### Last Week's Answers

8	2	9	3	7	5	1	6	4
5	6	4	2	8	1	7	9	3
3	1	7	9	6	4	5	8	2
1	5	2	7	9	3	6	4	8
4	3	6	1	2	8	9	5	7
7	9	8	5	4	6	2	3	1
2	8	3	6	1	9	4	7	5
9	4	1	8	5	7	3	2	6
6	7	5	4	3	2	8	1	9

### CryptoQuip

When people use mobile phones' calculators, what might they very well be doing? Cell division.

R	I	D	E	R	S		L	O	W	H	E	A	T		A	R	A	B	L	E		
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### ACROSS

- "Rabbit food"
- Back-and-forth talk
- Cold case solvers, often
- Oven maker
- Source of weather upheaval
- This instant
- MTV's first Latina video jockey
- "Don't go anywhere"
- Dresses up
- Cubs' and Eagles' gp.
- Mazda two-seater
- Common conjunction
- Social-climbing snob on "Keeping Up Appear-ances"
- Gp. in the Arab League
- Funny Conan
- Blends to mush
- 35th president's mother
- Banjoist Fleck
- Inking
- Carve — career
- Post-Q string
- "The Sea, the Sea" novelist of 1978
- Highway jam
- Adhesive rolls
- German king called "the Great"
- Verb suffix in London
- When Hamlet's soliloquy is recited
- New Guinea (island nation)
- Li'l Abner's mother
- Friend of Lucy van Pelt and Patty
- Beef up
- Clout
- Gold, in Peru
- "You can't — train"
- Actress Dianne
- Famed killer whale
- "Lost Souls" novelist of 1992
- Penpoint
- Siberia locale
- Chichi
- Tehran locale
- Vampiric TV housewife
- Shorthand whiz, in brief
- Poe's "radiant maiden"
- Cleveland-to-Raleigh dir.
- Aunt of Harry Potter
- DJ's platters
- Level, grassy plain
- Pub fixture
- Ball-shaped blooms
- Aim for
- Hippies (and an alternate title for this puzzle)
- Tidied up
- Novelist Gay
- Trashed stuff
- Declared
- Declared
- Busybody

### DOWN

- "Smooth Operator" singer
- "Walk Like —"
- Woody den
- Actor Williams
- Diary
- God, in Latin
- de-France
- Actress Sheridan
- Ignited
- Last year before the first century
- Busybody
- HMO VIPs
- Petty peeve
- Khan
- Lymphoid organ in the neck
- Moral code
- Sort not to be trusted
- Eggy cake
- Elbow grease
- "Giant" novelist Edna
- Wolf-headed Egyptian god
- Inking
- "— haw!"
- Common conjunction
- Uno plus dos
- Ship's wheel
- Romeo
- Bit of expert advice
- Writer — May Alcott
- "Your Best Life Now" author Joel
- ICU figures
- Water, to Watteau
- "Gadzooks!"
- Dog collar attachment
- Part of many an emoticon
- Friendly introduction?
- Sushi tuna
- Keanu of the screen
- Driving paths
- Check-giving time at work
- Fri. follows it
- Arid target
- Film dancer Charisse
- Wee kid
- Ring victory, for short
- Cooking vessels
- Muhammad —
- Guitar piece
- Overly sweet
- Suffix with journal
- Celebrity tributes
- Uno plus dos
- Fighting forces
- 1983 Lionel Richie hit
- Film holder
- Health club
- Blue Jays, on sports tickers
- Decide
- Triumph in the end
- Keeps
- Tube-shaped pasta
- La — Tar Pits
- Senator Paul
- Big Apple's city and state; Abbr.
- "I'd say," in a text message
- Coarse sack material
- Unwell
- Spike of films
- They may cry "Uncle!"
- One napping noisily
- Inserted plant shoots
- Main course of action
- Nobody — (mine alone)
- Spanish bar appetizers
- Link up
- Messy impact sound
- MIT business school name
- Historical slave Scott
- facto
- Countertenor
- Filter slowly
- Strep doc
- Golf prop
- Singular end
- Ending for Motor
- Soggy
- Suffix with journal



True Tales of the Timber Industry as assembled by Cynthia Anderson

From the Woods — Clay Allen, Part 9

This last year I had a nest that was right along the trail and getting off of the unit without getting stung was a miracle. Those hornets came in on me and they were all over that Cat and I went down this road and it was a straight shot road, it took me about an eighth of a mile to get rid of them. They are always around your face and if I hadn’t of had my goggles on, they would have got my pupils again. They see you blink and if you don’t swat at them, you are alright, but I can only go so long without swatting at them. The first one you swat, then you have had it, they got you! I don’t care who you are. That’s probably the biggest danger of piling brush is the hornets. They can really hurt you! You have to stay upbeat or they’ll dampen your spirits.

Territorial Bears

This story is off of Henness Pass. The land companies call my job IFM, Intense Forest Management, or rehab. You are trading the brush for planting trees. I started to get into this area and I started seeing these saplings and they were all broke at the top about two-thirds of the way up. I didn’t think much of it for awhile, but started saving them by brushing around them. and then it started to make sense that this bear had been snapping them, marking her boundary with them, so I started saving them. It was like somebody had been out there and surveyed it. They weren’t staggered, they were just perfectly straight, right on the money. I did OK until I crossed over into her area, where she had cubs in there with a den.

I went up there one morning and there was this bench, just wide enough to pull my pickup, hit the side of the hill and back up. You have to make your own roads, you make what you can with this brush rake, because it’s not a blade. Whenever you try to make something with it, the dirt goes through it because it is a brush rake.

We pull up one morning and Calamity gets out and starts sniffing and starts baying like

she is going to go down and kick this bear’s ass. All of a sudden she comes running up the hill and I had the door to the pickup open; she jumps in that pickup and she goes into the corner of the floor board because that is her favorite spot. You could hear that bear down there slapping the brush. It is pitch dark and so I fueled up and left her in the truck, that bear was pissed and she just kept slapping that brush down over the hill. Calamity thought she was so tough going down there!

Right there at White Cloud campground there is a road to the left that goes into the Fowler property. About eight years ago, I dropped my Cat off there and walked my Cat in along with moving my pickup in. Calamity was dead then, and all the way in there when I was on foot I could hear something alongside me in the brush, it was following me in. I have got pretty good hearing for as many years as I have run this Cat.

I started wearing earplugs in 1987 and that is a big plus, it really has helped. When I started wearing earplugs, you could not believe how calm your nerves were at the end of the day compared to when you didn’t wear them. Anyway, I kept hearing this noise all the way into this clearcut. This bear wasn’t paying attention to where he was going. When I walked into that clearcut with my last move, he wasn’t a threat, he was just curious and he followed me about three miles back in there. He wasn’t paying attention when he walked into that clearcut. They don’t like to walk out into the open—that is a big no-no. You very seldom see them in the open. He walked in there about 20 yards before he realized he was out of his cover. It was real funny, I was standing there watching him and all of a sudden he turned around and hauled ass, he knew he had screwed up.

Painful Memories

I was bumping knots, we had to bring the logs down to the slip and there was this one tree that

was under pressure and I had an old Homelite 2000 to buck it with. I always ran my saws with my thumb sticking out on the handle bar. The tree pinched and threw the saw bar straight up and cut my thumb almost all the way off. It cut it all the way, but there was just a little skin and bone keeping it on.

It was the night of the Loading Chute at the Nevada County Fair and nobody kept me from going to the Loading Chute. That was tradition, that is the annual beer booth where the loggers went. I must have been about 22 because it was before I started working on the Cats. I showed it to my boss and he said, “I don’t know what to do, Clay.”

I said, “Well I am not going to miss the Loading Chute,” so I went over to the pickup and poured a bunch of crap into it, methylate, and I put it back together. I put a bunch of gauze in there and I got a roll of electrical tape and I wrapped that thumb and it kept it together because I wasn’t going to miss the beer party.

I kept that on my thumb for over a month because that electrical tape you could shower with it. It was wet underneath, but when I took that tape off after a month and a week it had healed back together. It still works and feels pretty good. The only time it bothers me is if I hit the end of it like when you play football and you hit the end of your finger with the ball, that’s when it will hurt.

Then I got hit in the mouth with a chain binder. Billy N. was right there and we were doing this chain binder. We had blown this hose and my hands were all greasy and instead of using the cheater pipe, I was using my hands. Billy N. was sitting up on the toolbox in the back of my pickup watching me doing it. I got all the way to slap the binder handle into place and the grease on my hands slipped off the handle and my head was right there and it tore my mouth above the chin right in two and got this one tooth.

Cory Peterman's Historical Corner

Twist’s Flat

Those familiar with classic literature may very well know the French writer Alexandre Dumas - but why would I be bringing up his name in an article about Sierra County? Recently, I was put into contact with historian Douglas Wilkie of Australia, who has written a book, which can be found online, entitled *The Journal of Madame Callegari*. Wilkie states “Early in 1855, a thirty-six-year-old French woman approached Alexandre Dumas in Paris, and asked him to edit, and publish, her account of ten years spent traveling in Australia, New Zealand, the Pacific Islands, California and Mexico. Dumas agreed to her request... However, she insisted that, in publishing her story, her true identity should not be revealed.” Through extensive research, Wilkie has figured that the true identity of the subject in Dumas’s *The Journal of Madame Giovanni*, published in 1856, was a woman named Marie Callegari, who once lived at a place called Twist’s Flat, which was located on what is now the North Yuba River in Sierra County. The events that took place at Twist’s Flat are partly fictionalized in Dumas’s story.

So this begs the question - where exactly was Twist’s Flat? Unfortunately, its exact location is hard to pinpoint, as there is no mention of the locale in any local history books other than Major William Downie’s *Hunting for Gold*, published in 1893. Twist’s Flat also shows up on two maps dating from 1853 drawn by John B. Trask, being shown along the south side of what is now the North Yuba River somewhere between Breyfogle Flat (where the Lure Resort is now located) and the Sierra Buttes.

In his book, Downie mentions a mining partner “went up to Twist’s Flat, as it is now called, and in prospecting struck a very rich patch opposite Negro Point.” In a letter to The Sierra Citizen newspaper of July 22, 1854, Downie writes that his party “prospected up and down

the river for three or four miles, and in some places could find as much as a dollar to the pan, particularly at Negro Bar, a short distance below Twist’s Flat.” Downie must be referring to Negro Flat, less than a half mile east of Ladies Canyon (One of Trask’s maps also shows Twist’s Flat located a short distance east of an unmarked, deep canyon).

Drownings seemed to be commonplace at Twist’s Flat. In April 1852, several newspapers reported a man named James Stewart drowned there. The *Sierra Citizen* newspaper of June 10, 1854 reported “J. H. McCadden, formerly of Baltimore, Md., was drowned on the 6th inst., at Twist’s Flat on the South Fork... On the same day, a Chinaman named Rye, in attempting to cross a foot-log, a short distance below Twist’s Flat, fell into the river and was drowned.” I should note that what is now the North Yuba River was known as the “South Fork” historically.

Sacramento’s *Daily Alta* newspaper reported the July 4, 1852 marriage of “Charles Morale, of National Hotel, Twist’s Flat, to Miss Helen Lawton, of Downieville.” Later that year, the newspaper would relate the killing of Charles Douglass, an Englishman, by Peter Callegari, the husband of Marie Callegari, the subject of Alexandre Dumas’s book. The couple lived at Twist’s Flat, where they would operate a boarding house, from April to October 1852. *The Journal of Madame Giovanni* places Twist’s Flat on a plateau near the Yuba about 15 miles north of Downieville and 12 miles south of Butte township (later Sierra City). Mathematically, this places Twist’s Flat just over halfway from Downieville to Sierra City, though these distances don’t match the true 12-mile distance between the two towns. Of note, Negro Flat is exactly eight miles from Downieville.

*The Daily Alta* newspaper of October 20, 1852 describes

the killing of Douglass by Callegari, stating they “had been connected together in several mining claims, were on the most intimate terms, until some words arose between them about their claims on Friday afternoon, which resulted in Douglass knocking Callegari down. They were separated, and the affair rested until some time after, when they again came together, and were separated without much damage to either. Callegari was then called into the back part of the house to attend to his business, and during his absence, Douglass applied several insulting epithets to Mrs C., and rushed towards her but did not reach her, having been stopped. At the same instant Callegari rushed from the back room, with a knife in his hand, chased Douglass just outside of the door and there stabbed him in the lower part of the abdomen. Callegari was afterwards examined and acquitted. Douglass was a victim to intemperance. Considerable feeling at one time was manifested among the miners about Twist's Flat, for and against the prisoner, but it has now entirely subsided.” This event is fictionalized in Dumas’s *The Journal of Madame Giovanni*, accompanied by an illustration.

From my research, and knowledge of the flats between Downieville and Sierra City, I feel it is safe to assume Twist’s Flat was located on the south side of the North Yuba, a short distance east of Ladies Canyon, probably between Negro Flat and Charcoal Flat. Who knew Twist’s Flat would be immortalized in a book by Alexandre Dumas?



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George Nightingale Killed Wednesday at Kirkpatrick

Word was flashed over the wires Wednesday afternoon that George W. Nightingale had met death at the Kirkpatrick Mine, of which he was manager.

Nightingale was alone in the compressor room at the time of the accident. He had evidently tried to kick off the wide belt, as he had a habit of doing, but this time his foot slipped and caught in the belt, dragging him around two or three times.

Down in the mine, the men noticed lack of air and came up to see what was the matter and found Nightingale thrown against the wall and badly mangled. He was dead when they arrived.

As soon as word was received here of the accident a party of men set out from Downieville to bring in the body, with Tony Lavezzola’s black mare, the only available horse in town. There were five men to make the trip, consisting of Tony Lavezzola, Heinie Kuiken, Frank Poggi, Bob Scott and Sheriff Johnson.

The Kirkpatrick Mine is situated about three miles up the mountainside from Goodyears Bar on the Magnolia ridge and at this time of the year is accessible only by horseback or foot on account of the deep snow.

Mr. Nightingale weighed about 240 pounds and was put on the horse and Tony tied a diamond hitch to hold the dead man on while they made their tedious way down the steep mountain-side. The burden stayed on without having to be retied before the party reached Downieville about 4 o’clock, when an inquest was held, and a verdict of accidental death was pronounced.

Mr. Nightingale was a man about 60 years of age. He had spent a number of years mining in Alaska. The past four years he has spent in Sierra County managing the Kirkpatrick Mine which is owned and operated by State Treasurer Johnson.

He leaves besides his wife, three children, Jack, about 34, Florence, 19 and Georgette 17 who live in San Francisco.

The Holmes Funeral Home took charge of the body, which was shipped to San Francisco for burial.

Editorial: What Are We Going to Do About It?

Recently some mining people moved their families and household goods to Downieville from Southern California. They were fortunate in obtaining housing accommodations that proved at all satisfactory, owing to the scarcity of suitable living quarters here.

The coming to town of these new people should prove a good argument to our merchants that more houses are needed here. These newcomers immediately became new customers; they had to start buying as soon as they arrived here. Then if twenty or fifty such families were to be induced to come to Downieville, it would mean twenty or fifty times that much business. Certainly, that ought to be plain to our business people, who are more vitally interested than anyone else.

But what are we going to do about it? is asked in a rather helpless way. Just this: Get together; organize a business men’s club or some such organization; talk over the matter and plan ways and means for launching a house-building campaign. To the man who is

ever-ready to say it can’t be done, we reply, how do you know? Have you ever tried it?

All indications point toward this being a big mining year. Only the pessimistic fail to agree on that point. Then since that is probably true, it will undoubtedly mean a considerable influx of new people here. Do we want them to come? Do we want new customers, new business? Then let’s get busy and provide for the new families that we have a right to expect this year, every one of which will benefit our schools, stores, property values, census, etc. Let’s get organized, folks.

Big Boulder Mine Newly Bonded

Victor Christensen of San Francisco has obtained a bond and lease on the Big Boulder property, owned by E.M. Vail of San Francisco.

The property consists of several claims of a disintegrated quartz formation which is said to carry good values. The surface soil contains many pockets, it is said, the gold from which will be recovered by ground sluicing at the present time, using run-off water this spring.

Deep snow on the property still precludes much work yet, although two men were put to work Thursday getting ready for the spring activities. Later, Mr. Christensen says, seven or eight men will be employed.

In the fall it is planned to begin the work of installing a pipeline a distance of about four miles to Holly Lake, from which water will be taken for hydraulic purposes. Next year, Mr. Christensen expects to operate on a large scale, as a plentiful supply of water will then be available for piping.

Salmon Lake Resort Being

Made Ready for Business

With eight feet of snow still at the Salmon Lake Resort, the opening of that popular place seems a long way off. But to Charles A. Backman, manager who passed through Downieville Tuesday on his way to San Francisco, the time is short for all that he pans to do by way of making that resort still more popular.

The new hotel building is nearing completion, cabins are being renovated and put in condition for occupancy after the heavy snows, and many other things are being done in preparation for the big summer business that is expected there this year.

Mr. Backman said there was about 20 feet of snow at the lake last winter.

Alleghany Prospector Gets “Break” From Inheritance

Oscar Larson, Alleghany miner, has a strong heart. That probably is all that saved his life from fatal shock recently when he received word that he was heir to \$65,000, left to him by a relative.

After seeking the yellow metal for many years in many parts of the country with indifferent success, Oscar found his pot of gold in an entirely unexpected quarter.

Oscar’s head is still in a whirl. He has succeeded in keeping his feet on the ground thus far, but he is nearly overwhelmed with a deluge of marriage proposals, promoters of all kinds and get-rich-quick schemes.

But he has not received his new-found wealth yet and by the time it arrives, he probably will know what to do with it. In the meantime, Oscar has decided to quit prospecting for a couple of

weeks.

Man Dynamites Fish in River and is Fined \$200

A complaint was sworn to this week by Game Warden O’Connor of Grass Valley against J.W. Sutton of Goodyears Bar, charging the latter with having discharged dynamite in the river near the old toll bridge on March 22.

Sutton was arrested Friday morning and brought to Downieville where he pleaded guilty and was given the minimum fine of \$200.

S.F. Man Leases Young Strap

A deal was completed this week by which the Young Strap drift property, consisting of several claims on Alabama Hill, was obtained on bond and lease by R.A. Livingston of San Francisco.

Mr. Livingston will make preparations to operate the property as soon as snow conditions are favorable.

This property adjoins the old Heart & Hagen and Wideawake properties on what is commonly called Craycroft Ridge. These properties were said to be exceedingly rich and is where the foundation was laid for the Hearst fortune.

The gravel on the Young Strap property is said to prospect well and holds considerable promise. It is claimed that one summer two men took out \$20 a day on this property while doing assessment work.

Mr. Livingston has not yet made his plans known, but it is expected that he will do considerable development work this spring and summer.

Couple Marries At Historic Old Hostelry

The marriage of M.H. Rovny and Mrs. Chas. Van Zant of

Goodyear Bar recently at the St. Charles Hotel of this place was just one more such event added to the list of marriages that have taken place at the historic old hostelry.

While theirs was a quiet affair, at which the hotel proprietor, Antone Lavezzola, was asked to officiate as best man, it called to mind many other such occasions.

The ceremony took place in the hotel parlors and a group of small youngsters furnished some charivari “music” in the evening.

The following day the happy couple went to the Brush Creek Mine, where the groom has a position as cook.

Some of those whose marriage took place in the St. Charles parlors, as recalled by the recent wedding, were Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Costa, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wittstruck, Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Fleischner, Mr. and Mrs. John Hill, and others.

Engineers Arrive to Complete Road Contract

Jas. T. Cassell and a corps of engineers arrived Monday to complete the work of the Adams highway contract between Downieville and the old Newhouse place beyond Shady Flat, which work was interrupted by the early storms of last winter.

Contractor C.R. Adams and crew arrived Tuesday and began work this week. It is estimated that it will require about three weeks to complete the job.

