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CALENDAR

Saturday October 5th Canyon Cleanup

Meet at the last parking area before the Covered Bridge on Honey Run Road. We'll provide trash bags, trash picker-uppers, water, coffee and snacks. Please help us clean up the canyon after a busy summer of visitors!
8:30am at the Covered Bridge

Saturday October 19th Potluck

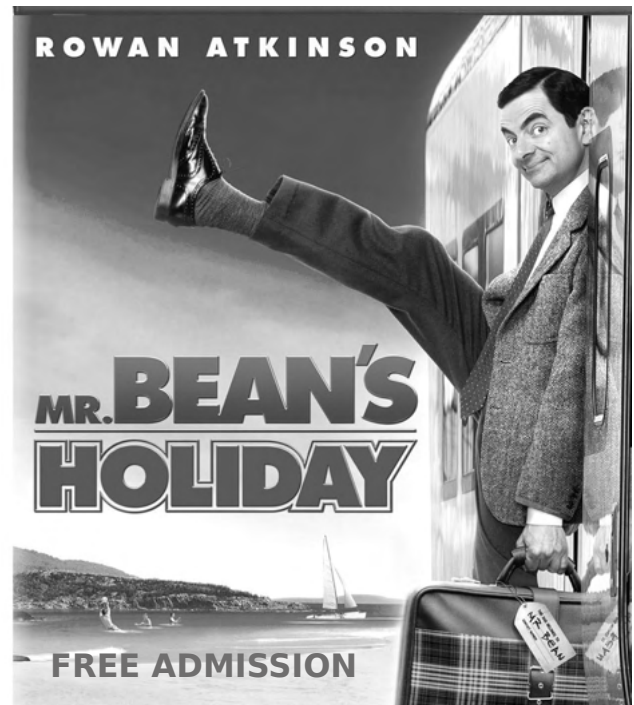
Bring a potluck dish to share and beverages if you like! Hosts TBD
6:30pm at the Schoolhouse

Saturday November 16th Potluck & Dessert Auction

Bring a potluck dish to share and beverages if you like! Hosts TBD
6:30pm at the Schoolhouse

Sunday December 8th Holiday Gift Sale with Santa 11am - 4pm at the Schoolhouse Santa 11am - 1pm

Centerville
Recreation & Historical Association
13548 Centerville Road



Saturday Sept. 21st 6:30pm at the Schoolhouse

Show Starts at 7:00pm
Beverages, Candy & Snacks Provided
Bring a chair or use one of ours.

ICE CREAM SUCCESS!

The August ice cream social was fun and delicious! A nice visit with our neighbors old and new. At the social Mark Lightcap generously sold his cd "Hogsback Road" to benefit CRHA. The donation totaled more than \$400. What a nice community we live in! If you don't have one yet they are for sale for \$20 at the museum or you could reach out to Mark ..and maybe get a signed one!!

COVERED BRIDGE UPDATE

This has been an eventful summer for the rebuild of the Honey Run Covered Bridge. Phase 2 is now nearly complete, including installation of the trusses, deck, and inside handrails. All that remains for Phase 2 is installation of handicap parking, outside handrails, and cleanup of the Park, including some earth-moving. In mid-October, Phase 3 will begin with Conroy Construction of Chico—installation of siding and roof. Phase 3 should be completed in December. Meanwhile, the Park will remain closed.

Engineering and design are intended to replicate the original Bridge as closely as possible, except for updated bridge standards. It will again be pedestrian-only, except for emergencies. The upright steel beams will be covered by wood. We should all be aware that the doug-fir siding will look quite different—light-colored, like any other new wood. Over the years it will become weather-seasoned with a gradually-darkening finish. The roof will again be corrugated metal. The Bridge Park will be restored and upgraded in the near future. Meanwhile, the Park will remain closed.

The Honey Run Covered Bridge Association thanks canyon residents for your encouragement, support and patience throughout the entire rebuild process, now nearly six years. Almost there!

THE GREAT HUMBUG ROAD STAGE ROBBERY - PART 2

Part 1 can be found in the July Issue of the School Bell at centervillemuseum.com

Weekly Butte Record, August 17 1867

STAGE ROBBERS CAUGHT.—Wood's stage, which arrived from Susanville on Monday evening last, brought as involuntary passengers, two of the persons engaged in the robbery of the stage near Magalia, on the 29th ult. They were arrested on the 9th instant near the Lassen Butte, by a party consisting of the famous Indian scout, Hi Good, A. Young, Nath. Thomas, Sam. McCreary, and Jake Morris. The names of the robbers are not known. The third one, and the leader of the gang, was shot through the body with a bullet from a Henry rifle while attempting to escape, was packed some five miles on a litter, by his two companions, and then taken in a spring wagon to Wood's Hotel at Longville, where he was left, as it was impossible to carry him further. His wound was supposed to be mortal, and it was thought he could not survive more than three or four days. The scene of their arrest is some ninety miles from Oroville. Their trail was first strack at Dye's place, on the Chico and Susanville road. One of the party had come in to that place for provisions, and Mr. Clark, one of the passengers who was robbed, happened to be present and recognized his man. He informed Hi Good and his party, when they took his trail, and followed it but a short distance, when they found he had been joined by two other persons. Feeling assured that they had struck the right trail, Good and his party pushed on, and found that three rascals had travelled fifteen miles that night, over the worst possible mountain district they could find. It would seem, from this fact, that the robber who called at Dye's for provisions, must have recognized Mr. Clark as one of his victims, and after being joined by his comrades, they had sought to evade pursuit by putting as great a distance of bad mountain region between them and Dye's place as possible. But they could not throw Good and his party from their trail. Their shoes barked the shrubbery they trode upon, and for two days the pursuit continued. Good and his party were finally rewarded by seeing their game climbing up the side of a mountain, and finally set down to rest themselves. The pursuing party then cautiously ad-

vanced, and approached to within thirty paces of the robbers before being discovered. Covering them with their guns, they were ordered not to stir or to attempt any resistance, or they would be shot. Good then approached and disarmed them, and telling them what he wanted, searched them for evidence that they were the perpetrators of the robbery. Nothing was found upon their persons, and Good told them he thought they were not the men he wanted. The leader of the gang had risen to be searched with his bullet pouch in his hand. Taking that Mr. Good found it to contain a considerable amount of coin and greenbacks, when he informed them that they were the men he wanted. The leader of the gang started to runaway, when he was fired upon. Without pursuing him, the other two were secured, when the trail of the runaway was taken and easily followed by traces of blood, for a distance of two hundred yards, when he called to them, and was found lying upon the ground with his entrails protruding from the wound. He had first concealed himself, but feeling that he was mortally wounded, had crawled from his hiding place and sought the assistance of his captors. When approached, he remarked to Good—"I think you have cooked my goose." Good examined his wound, and thought so too, and told him if he had anything to say he had better say it at once. He told them where he had thrown his watch in his flight, which was recovered, and proved to be the one taken from Mr. Ayers, of Magalia, at the time of the robbery. He asked Good to grant him a favor, and receiving an affirmative answer, desired to be shot. This was refused, when he declined to make any further communication, or to answer any questions. He was jacked out some thirty miles and left, at Longville, as before stated. They are supposed to be "squaw men," residing with the Pitt River Indians, and on a raid to replenish their purses. The two men now in our jail are dressed in complete suits of buckskin, that look as if they had not been removed from their persons for the past five years. One of the men is disposed to be communicative, claims to have been with the gang but two or three weeks, and will probably tell all he knows in a short time. Mr. Good and his party did not know that any reward had been offered for the apprehension of these men; but saw a chance to capture them and took it. They deserve the reward and the thanks of the public. All but a few dollars of the money was recovered.

Editors Note:

Hi Good, leader of the party that captured the robbers is described as an "Indian Scout". Although he was portrayed as the hero of this story, many historians see him as a ruthless hunter of Northern California Indians.

"In 1923 fellow Indian hunter Sim Moak recalled that "at one time Good had forty scalps hanging in the poplar tree by his house" and described Good adorning the outseam of his pants with scalps: "you can imagine a great tall man with a string of scalps from his belt to his ankle"." Wikipedia

It is doubtful that Good and his party "did not know that a reward had been offered" for the capture of the robbers since he had hunted Indians for bounty during the Indian war years, 1857 to 1865.

Famously, perhaps Good got what was coming to him in 1870 when his teenage Indian servant, "Indian Ned", took revenge and killed him at his ranch in Vina.



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As some of you may know, a group of canyon residents have worked to gain Firewise USA designation for our community over the past 12 months. The Firewise USA program is a community fire-safety campaign created by the National Fire Protection Association. Key benefits include forming a community plan, and obtaining insurance discounts (or getting insurance at all). Many other foothill communities in Butte County have gone through this same process to obtain their recognition, including Forest Ranch, where fire officials are crediting the community's Firewise work for helping save it from the Park Fire. We aim to send in our application by the end of September, and have planned a celebration hosted at the Schoolhouse for **Saturday, November 2nd 6:30pm.**

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