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Esparto Muralists Begin Their Work!

July 2018

State funds extend the reach of the arts to local underserved populations.

The California Arts Council awarded funds to New Season Community Development Corporation as part of its Local Impact program. The mural artwork for Esparto was chosen and the walls were prepared for the start date of May 22 with the help of Brian Kuhn. Artist Jeannie Mecourney and friend, Jenny Kahn, began work on the post office mural. New Season hosted a press event to kick off the mural work by artists Jeannie Mecorney and Susan Cohen-Byrne.

“New Season has been working with other organizations in the Capay Valley to promote art in our communities. We are excited about the submissions and the judges’ choices for murals in Esparto. It will be great to see them come to life” Jim Durst, New Season Board President, stated.

“We are also grateful for the building owners who stepped forward to make this project possible along with additional funds from Yolo County Rural Initiative Funds.” explained Lynn Rolston, New Season Treasurer. “Their match to this grant made it possible for state funding. We also thank Yolo Arts for their guidance on the project and Eduardo Pineda of California College of the Arts for his leadership”.

Attending the press event were New Season Community Development board members, Yolo County Supervisor Duane Chamberlain, and his staff and friends of art in Esparto.

Update: Since the event, please note the progress already on the Post Office wall. “From my support team, to all who walk, drive, park and stroller by, this is such a friendly, supportive and warm community” states artist Jeannie Mecorney. Jeannie will be starting her second mural on the Adams building in late June. To follow her progress go to www.facebook.com/MecorneyDotCom.

In the meantime, the photographic picture created by artist, Susan Cohen-Byrne is completed and installation on the side of the Manas Old Fashioned Meat market is proceeding. This 9 x 18 installation uses a different format than paint and is on a vinyl mesh material with frame.

“The Local Impact program eliminates barriers keeping low-income programs,” said Donn K. Harris, Chair of the California Arts Council. New Season’s project helps to further the Arts Council’s vision of enriching the lives of all Californians through arts participation, while allowing the local community to access their own creativity.”

To view a complete listing of all Local Impact grantees, visit: http://arts.ca.gov/programs/files/CAC_LocalImpact_Grantees_2016-17_FINAL.pdf.

The mission of the California Arts Council, a state agency, is to advance California through the arts and creativity. The Council is committed to building public will and resources for the arts; fostering accessible arts initiatives that reflect contributions from all of California's diverse populations; serving as a thought leader and champion for the arts; and providing effective and relevant programs and services.

Members of the California Arts Council include: Chair Donn K. Harris, Vice Chair Nashormeh Lindo, Larry Baza, Phoebe Beasley, Christopher Coppola, Juan Devis, Kathleen Gallegos, Jaime Galli, Louise McGuinness, Steven Oliver, and Rosalind Wyman. Learn more at www.arts.ca.gov.

New Season Community Development Corporation is a non-profit organization in Esparto, promoting economic growth; local jobs, building restoration, business incubation and community vitality. See pictures on pages 2 and 9

Submitted by Sue Heitman



Pictured above are Cathie Wicks, former Co-Executive Director of RISE Inc., and Tico Zendejas, current Executive Director of RISE Inc.

Cathie Wicks Honored by Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance

The Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance’s Reframing Aging Event that took place on May 20 in Davis at the Odd Fellows Hall was a wonderful event. Cathie Wicks was honored for her decades of service to the rural communities of Yolo County. Cathie was the co-founder of RISE Incorporated and the Co-Executive Director for RISE 25 years. During that time she led the efforts in bringing millions of dollars and resources into the communities west of 505. One of RISE’s longest standing and most successful programs is an Elder Recreation Program that takes place in Esparto on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

The Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance serves as the unified voice for older adults and caregivers in Yolo County. The mission of Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance is to promote the well-being of older adults through education, collaboration and advocacy.

Submitted by Tico Zendejas

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New Board Members on the Esparto Regional Chamber of Commerce

The Esparto Regional Chamber of Commerce is delighted to announce the election results for their new Board of Directors. The newly elected Board Members are: Arriel Adler-Spires, Ilene Combs, Pat Harrison, Carolyn Nordstrom and Sandie Reed. If you get an opportunity, send them a note of congratulations. They would love to hear from you and learn more about what you do.

2018 is shaping up to be an exciting year. We can all see the new Aquatic Center taking shape. Secondly, the Esparto RCOC wants to hear from you. If you are a local business, reach out to us and let us know how we can serve you. We had a very successful Almond Festival. We could not have done it without your support.

We had a Member Mixer on Wednesday, June 20, at ACE Hardware. It was a nice evening of good food, great festivities and renewing friendships. We will be announcing future events and mixers, so be sure to get on our mailing list. It's a great opportunity to renew friendships and talk about best practices for business. We want to extend an invitation to all businesses to join the Chamber of Commerce. We are here to support you.

Don't forget to check out the new website at: <https://www.espartoregionalchamber.com>. We list all of our members. Remember, the ERCOC is a rural Chamber of Commerce, for what we consider to be the Gateway to the Capay Valley, a thriving organic and traditional farming community, supporting the Greater Sacramento Valley's Farm to Fork Initiative.

Joining the Chamber is easy. Just contact us and the staff can email or mail you an application. We need volunteers and have several programs where Chamber Members can get involved and make a difference. Call us at (530) 787-3242.

Submitted by: Kim Kersten, Media Coordinator



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7/18: Bad Moon Rising
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7/14: Jeff Ricketts & The Dirt Road
7/28: Halie O'Ryan

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Pictured above is the Mural Project in process at the Post Office. See pg. 1

R.I.S.E. Inc. After School Program

As summer vacation comes to an end in August, it opens up a door to a new school year. For those parents and guardians of children entering Kindergarten to 5th grade at Esparto Elementary School, have you thought about what your children will be doing after school?

R.I.S.E Inc. offers a low cost After School Program located at Esparto Elementary School. We will be having registration for the upcoming 2018-2019 After School Program at the Esparto R.I.S.E Inc. Community Center:

Date: Friday August 10, 2018

Time: 8:00 a.m.

Location: 17317 Fremont Street, Esparto Ca.

Cost: \$100 a month for first child, \$80 for the second child and \$60 for any additional children in the family.

Registration for the After School Program is on a first come, first served basis. We will take the first 100 applicants and place the rest on a waiting list. The enrollment packets must be filled out and turned in on the day of registration. There is a \$20.00 deposit needed on registration day to ensure that your spot will be held. If you cannot make the registration date or have any further questions, please contact the Program Coordinator, James Perez at (530) 908-1052 or by email at James@riseinc.org.

Submitted by James Perez



Pictured above are children who are participating in the RISE Summer Program in the Esparto Park.

**Esparto Unified School District News
Diego Ochoa, Superintendent**



District to Install New Playgrounds at Esparto Elementary School

The EUSD is hard at work in the process of installing new, safe playgrounds for our children at Esparto Elementary School. We are asking interested dads, moms, and family members to contact Diego Ochoa at dochoa@espartok12.org to assist us in the process of preparing the playground area and installing the new playground.

California Promotes “Make the Switch” Campaign

The California Department of Education recently launched a huge effort to promote careers in education. Outgoing State Superintendent Tom Torlakson, recently introduced the “Make the Switch: Be a Teacher” campaign. This campaign was created by the California Department of Education and focuses on individuals who choose to enter education as a second career.

The campaign promotes that there are almost 300,000 educators in California, but there is always a need for more qualified, energetic educators. The campaign highlights the way in which educators pursue their career field, to make a difference in children’s lives. State Superintendent Tom Torlakson is strongly encouraging individuals to consider becoming a teacher, counselor, or other support staff.

The Esparto Unified School District is always in need of more teacher substitutes and we can be contacted at (530) 787-3446 for individuals interested in serving as substitute teachers.

**Pictured here:
Construction of the
Esparto Park and
Aquatic Center on
June 20, 2018. It is
beginning!**





Esparto Elementary School News
Erika St. Andre, Principal

As our students head into their second month of summer break, please consider some of the tips from this article from www.scholastic.com on ways to avoid the “Summer Slide”.

Three Ways to Prevent Summer Slide:

Many children, especially struggling readers, forget some of what they've learned, or slip out of practice during the summer months. Try these strategies to help your reader improve his/her reading during the summer and beyond:

- ◆ **Six books to summer success:** Research shows that reading just six books during the summer may keep a struggling reader from regressing. When choosing the six, be sure that they are just right — not too hard and not too easy. Take advantage of your local library. Ask for help selecting books that match your child's age, interests, and abilities. Libraries often run summer reading programs that motivate kids to read, so find out what's available in your area. Also check our book lists for recommendations.
- ◆ **Read something every day:** Encourage your child to take advantage of every opportunity to read. Find them throughout the day:
 - ◆ *Morning:* The newspaper, even if it is just the comics or today's weather.
 - ◆ *Daytime:* Schedules, TV guides, magazines, online resources, etc. For example, if your daughter likes the food channel, help her look for a recipe on the network's Web site — then cook it together for more reading practice.
 - ◆ *Evening:* End the day by having your child read to you from the book she/he is currently reading (one of the six books, above). Have her/him rehearse a paragraph, page, or chapter before reading to you. Rereading will help her/him be more fluent — able to read at an appropriate speed, correctly, and with nice expression.
- ◆ **Keep reading aloud:** Reading aloud benefits all children and teens, especially those who struggle. One benefit is that you can read books your child can't, so he/she will build listening comprehension skills with grade-level and above books. This will increase his/her knowledge and expand his/her experience with text, so that he/she will do better when he/she reads on her own.

It's hard to keep up a reading routine in a season packed with distractions and diversions. These suggestions will fit into a busy schedule and make reading fun!

**Join the Summer Reading Program
At Esparto Library
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- Sign up and get a free book!
- Choose your summer challenge: read 10 books, or read for 10 hours, or read for 10 days.
- There will be activities, events, and prizes all summer long.

Esparto High School Graduates 2018
See picture of the graduates at the bottom of the next page

(A few names were unintentionally missed in the last listing in this paper. Please accept our apology. We hope this now includes all graduates.)

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| Alexander Anaya | Hugo Martinez |
| Tyler Armstrong | Ivan Martinez |
| Victor Arteaga | William Martinez |
| Jose Ayala | Andrea Melendez |
| John Barbarick | Marcelino Michel |
| Jonas Brait | Kathryn Miller-Berberich |
| Rebeca Bravo | Shaylee Moffit |
| Patrick Bristol | Elizabeth Montes |
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| John Clark | Jesus Moreno |
| Miguel Conrique | Charlie Muller |
| Skye Dawley | Oscar Murillo |
| Alyssandra Elyse Decontreaus | Alyssa Noguera |
| Morgan Derr | Salvador Olazaba |
| Luis Elizarraraz | Sergio Padilla |
| Macy Erickson | Daniela Ramirez |
| Juan Estrada | Olivia Read |
| Dan Austin Fernandez | Denise Rodriguez |
| Sebastian Figueroa | Edgar Rodriguez |
| Estrella Figueroa | Jesse Rodriguez |
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| Zachary Gnos | Liza Karmina Solano |
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| Jonathan Hernandez | Jose Angel Solorio |
| Christian Hernandez | Sindy Trejo |
| Oscar Herrera | Tito Valenzuela |
| Elizabeth Ibarra | Jose Vargas |
| Angelina Jaramillo | Kate Vazquez |
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| Seth Lowell | Tristan Williams |
| Nancy Luna | |



RISE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
Is hiring Part-Time Recreational Leaders for the
2018-2019 School Year.
Applications are available at the RISE Office.
Must have experience working with elementary age youth!



Esparto High School News
Jennifer Wiese, Principal

Dear Esparto Community-

You welcomed me, challenged me, pushed me and taught me. Although I am moving on, I am grateful for my time here at Esparto High School.

I thank the parents for trusting us with their children and their great support over the years. I thank them for their donations of time, for attending school events, for helping with fundraising.

I thank the students for showing up all year, trusting what we tell them, and working hard. I thank them for the laughs and the fun times.

I thank the teaching staff. Like any production, behind the scenes there is a huge effort going into each lesson and each program. I am privileged to have worked with such a dedicated team.

I thank the support staff. The grounds look fantastic, the electricity stays on, the computers are working, the bathrooms are open, the attendance gets recorded and the transcripts get printed. Well done to this highly successful team.

I thank members of the community whose help is often unseen. Thank you to the sheriff and fire department for keeping us safe. Thank you to our elected officials and local businesses who help with their time, financial contributions and support.

I feel enormously proud of everyone and thankful for the opportunity to have served you all.

Esparto High school was first built on this site in 1918, exactly 100 years ago. Although those original buildings are gone, the sense of pride and tradition is as strong as ever. It is my hope that for another hundred years, the school will serve the community, adapt to the demands of the future and educate many more generations. I am truly thankful to have had the chance to be part of both the past, the present and the future.

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Sincerely,
Jennifer Weise, Principal



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If there are any changes
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Summer Schedule for Countryside Church

Countryside Church in Esparto will change the time of weekly worship service from Sunday morning to Saturday evening for the summer months.

Please join us beginning June 9 at 6:00 p.m. for House Church to be held in our social hall. The service will be centered around a potluck meal, singing, conversation, readings, the Eucharist, and a message.

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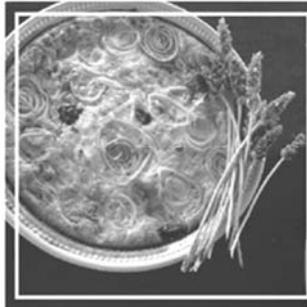
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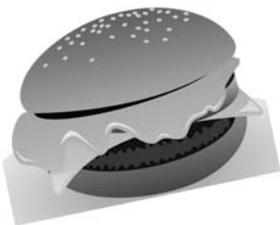


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Summer Concerts at the Gazebo in Winters

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The series will kick off on July 5 with **Mike Blanchard and the Californios**, playing traditional Country and Western and unabashedly proud of their California roots. The band plays an Americana grab bag with a mix of originals, gospel, and honky tonk, as well as covers of their favorite artists, both old and new. Learn more at mikeblanchardandthecalifornios.com.

On July 12, **Los Tres de Winters** will present an evening of Norteño-style music, with accordion, bajo sexto, and bass. This lively music is a hybrid of Mexican and Spanish vocal traditions with waltzes and polkas brought to Mexico by Czech and German immigrants in the mid-nineteenth century. It evolved in the north of Mexico and is now a favorite style throughout the western U.S. Check them out on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com).

July 19 will bring **Tango No.9**, an all-star Bay Area ensemble devoted to tango from its earliest roots through modern tango nuevo and beyond. Since 1998, the group has delved deeply into the world of tango, performing tragic ballads and habanera rhythms at countless concerts and milongas, collaborating with many of the top dancers on the west coast, and recording two critically acclaimed albums. You can sample some tunes at [Spotify](https://www.spotify.com).

The series concludes on July 26 with **Boca do Rio**, a Brazilian-American samba-funk explosion. After a decade of performing in San Francisco's live music scene, Boca do Rio has evolved into a multi-layered electro-funk party boat with a sound that is steeped in the sambas and choros that echo through the Brazilian favelas, while always evolving forward to create an organic sound that is decidedly modern and funky. Learn more at Bocadorio.com.

Invite your friends and neighbors, bring a blanket or lawn chairs or sit on the grass, sip a cool drink, and enjoy some fine live music on a summer evening. The concerts are free, but donations will be gratefully accepted. Winters Friends of the Library will have delicious refreshments for sale, and all proceeds will support the Winters Library. For more information, contact Keith Cary at (530) 795-3173 or kcary@dcn.org or visit wfol.org. This year's concert series is co-sponsored by Waste Management.

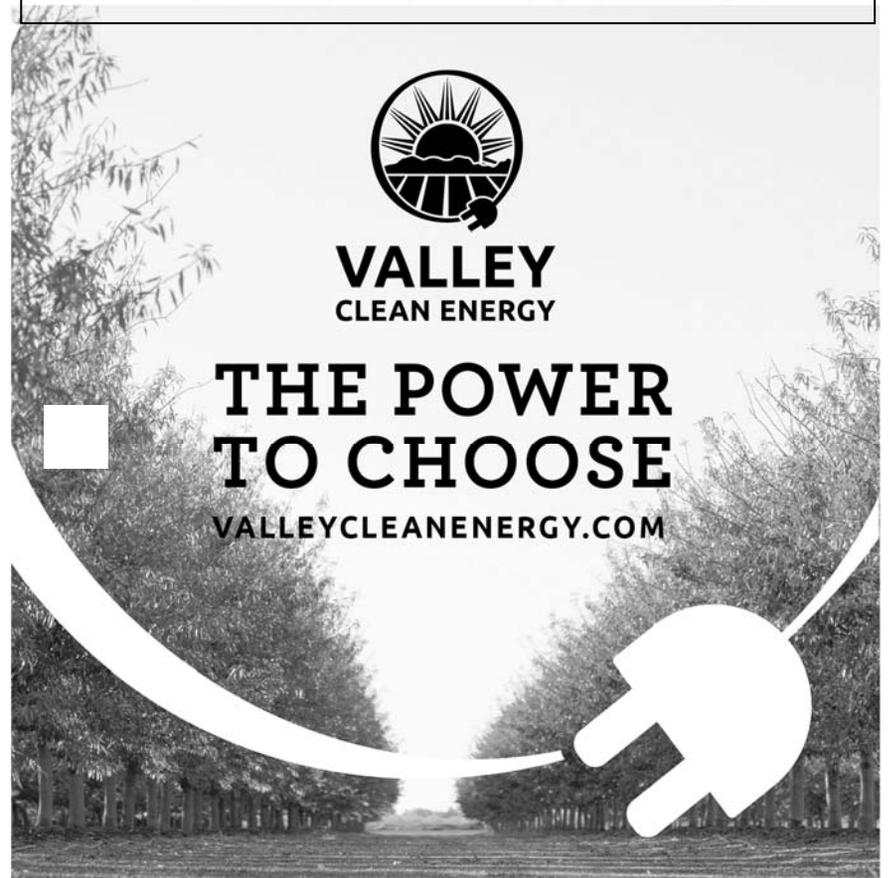
Submitted by Linn Myer of the WFOL Board



Pictured here is the beginning of the work on the mural at the Esparto Post Office. (See article on pg. 1)

Valley Clean Energy

Valley Clean Energy is our official locally-governed electricity provider. VCE is bringing cleaner energy at competitive rates to Woodland, Davis, and unincorporated Yolo County, with service starting in the summer of 2018. VCE gives residents & businesses a choice in how much of our electricity comes from clean energy sources. In addition to providing cleaner power at competitive rates, VCE will reinvest earnings back into our community by creating local green energy programs and projects.





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Sue Heitman Retires from First 5 Yolo Board

First 5 Yolo Commissioner and Valley resident Sue Heitman was recognized by the Board of Supervisors on June 5, 2018. In appreciation for her leadership and service to First 5 Yolo representing District 5, the Board of Supervisors declared June 5 “**Sue Heitman Day in Yolo County**”. Sue was first appointed as a Commissioner in 1999 by then Supervisor Lynell Pollock, and has been reappointed by Supervisor Chamberlain each succeeding term. Sue is the longest serving Commissioner for First Five Yolo and has served in leadership positions of First 5 Yolo over the years, including Treasurer, and most recently, as Vice Chair to Supervisor Provenza.

Sue was one of the leaders in the initiative process for Proposition 10, the Children’s and Family initiative that California voters passed in 1998. This tobacco tax initiative provides local funding for children and their families 0-5 and was ultimately renamed “First Five.” There are 58 local First 5 commissions throughout California and one statewide organization, First 5 California. First 5 Yolo’s mission is to allocate funding to local organizations based on the four priority areas, Improved Child Development, Improved Child Health, Improved Child Safety, and Improved Systems and Networks. Locally, RISE has been a consistent funded partner of First 5 Yolo. First 5 Yolo provided the initial \$100,000 grant to the SunRise Childcare Center in Esparto for construction.

Sue has served with strong leaders chairing First 5 Yolo, beginning with Supervisor Lois Wolk, followed by Supervisor Helen Thomson, Supervisor Don Saylor, and currently Supervisor Jim Provenza. Since its inception, First 5 Yolo has provided over 30 million dollars in funding to agencies and the families they serve in Yolo County.

“Sue has provided unwavering support for our youngest children ages 0-5 and their families for twenty years” according to Jim Provenza, Chair of First 5 Yolo. Supervisor Duane Chamberlain stated, “Thank you to my friend and a constant champion for the families and children of District 5”.

Sue thanked all of the Yolo County Supervisors, First 5 staff and all the Commissioners who have served voluntarily over the last twenty years. The event was followed by a celebration at the First 5 Yolo Commission meeting on June 13 where she was presented a plaque stating “Sue Heitman, A Loving Heart for Children” by the current Commission and Executive Director, Gina Daleiden. Submitted by Gina Daleiden



July Programs at the Esparto Regional Library

All are welcome to escape the heat and participate in the following special programs held during the month of July at Yolo County's Esparto Regional Library, located at 17065 Yolo Avenue in Esparto:

- **Summer Reading Program 2018: Reading Takes You Everywhere: May 20 August 18:** Sign up and get a free book! Choose your summer challenge: read 10 books, read for 10 hours, or read for 10 days. There will be activities, events, and prizes all summer long.
- **Read off Your Fines: May 20 - August 18:** The Read Off Your Fines campaign will be held in conjunction with the Summer Reading Program. Young adults and children (ages 17 and under) will be able to deduct \$1.00 from their fines for every 15 minutes spent reading a book of their choice in the library and also use those minutes toward earning incentives in the Summer Reading Program.
- **July 10: Free Computer Class, 10:30 a.m.** Basic computer class covering simple tech support, beginner terminology, library computer resources, and a Q & A session. Registration is required and will be limited to the first ten signups. To register call (530) 787-3426 or sign up at the library service desk. This class will be offered on the second Tuesday of each month.
- **July 12: Explorit Science Center: Ecosystems and Biomes, 1:00 p.m.** Discover how the animals, plants, and people in an ecosystem rely on each other. Family program.
- **July 16: Afternoon Movie, 2:00 p.m.** Children and families are invited to view a family friendly (rated G or PG) movie. For movie title call: (530) 787-3426.
- **July 19: Project Nail Art: 6:30 p.m.** Have the world on your fingertips with our nail art transfers. Free event and no reservation is required. Teen and adult program.
- **July 26: Senior Adult Art Class with Julie, 9:30 a.m.** Enjoy a hands-on class featuring black and white acrylic paint, gray scale. This class will be held during the Valley Seniors Program at the R.I.S.E., Inc. building at 17317 Fremont Street.
- **July 26: Children's Art Class with Julie, 1:00 p.m.** Enjoy a hands-on class featuring bubble wands. No reservation required and all ages are welcome.
- **July 30: Yolo Reads Tutor Orientation, 6:00 p.m.** Become a tutor for Yolo Reads. It requires no experience, the hours are flexible and Yolo Reads provides all necessary training and materials. For those interested, our next orientation will be held at the Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library, July 30 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Yolo Reads supports literacy in Yolo County communities by providing free tutoring to English speaking adult learners who want to improve their reading, writing, spelling, and grammar skills. Learners receive one-on-one support from volunteer tutors, free materials, free computer use, and access to the Yolo County Library collections. For more information, contact us at libraryvolunteer@yolocounty.org or 666-8019.



The Esparto Regional Library will be open for the following extended hours starting July 2, 2018:

- Monday: 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**
- Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**
- Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**
- Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**
- Friday: 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**
- Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

The Library will no longer close for lunch, and will open earlier (Monday and Friday) twice a week. This will allow more residents, families and community members the opportunity to visit the branch before work or at lunchtime and to attend programs together.

"We are excited to increase access to resources and services at the Esparto Regional Library with extended hours of operation," stated Country Librarian Mark Fink. "The increase in hours is the first of several service enhancements we will be offering the Esparto community over the next few months," continued Fink.

Yolo County Library strengthens families and supports communities by providing continuing opportunities for literacy and lifelong learning. For information about the Yolo County Library visit it at: yolocountylibrary.org or connect with it on Facebook at: facebook.com/yolocountylibrary.org.

The following ongoing programs continue in July:

- **English Conversation Group, Tuesdays at 1:15 p.m.** Converse and improve your English in a fun and relaxed setting with the aid of a group facilitator. Drop-in visitors are always welcome.
- **Hora de Cuentos / Bilingual Spanish Story Time (Ages 0-5), Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.** Children (ages 0-5) and their parents or caregivers are invited to join us for stories, songs, movement, rhymes and finger-plays. All bilingual story times are provided through a grant from First 5 Yolo.

NOTICES: Yolo County Library branches will be closed on July 4 in observance of Independence Day. On July 16, all Yolo County Library branches will only be open from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. due to an all-staff meeting. Submitted by Malinda Baker and Beth Gabor

Regular and Extended Hours for RISE in July

The regular hours for RISE are Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. This coming month the Esparto RISE Office will be also be open on **Saturday, July 14 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Monday, July 16 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.** Make an appointment now to meet with our Resource and Referral Specialist. Call (530) 787-4110. RISE is located at 17317 Fremont St. in Esparto.



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Area Food Distributions

RISE, Inc. manages several food distributions each month. Madison Community Committee sponsors a Food Closet in Madison. Below is a summary of these opportunities. They are also announced in other places in this paper.

- Food Bank Give-Away on the 4th Monday of each month at the RISE office from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. **Volunteers are urgently needed to help with this distribution.**
- Food and Clothes Closet is open on Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, and on Fridays from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Call RISE office for more information: (530) 787-4110.
- Madison Food Closet is open on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. to Madison residents.

Free Produce Distribution

When: 1st and 3rd Thursday
Where: RISE, Inc.
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Time: 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
1 PER HOUSEHOLD /
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Any Family in Esparto or
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17313 Fremont St., Esparto, CA
Hora: 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
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SunRISE Child Development Center Graduation

The SunRISE Child Development Center had its first graduation recently. These eight children graduated to kindergarten and performed for their families and friends. (Note the microphone in hand.) This lively bunch of youngsters will be bright lights in their kindergarten classrooms.

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July 3: Movie & Popcorn/Película y Palomitas

July 5: Arts & Crafts/Artes y Manualidades

July 10: Fun & Games/Diversión y Juegos

**July 12: Speaker-Anel Moreno, Yolo County Nutrition/ Tema
Sobre Nutrición con Anel Moreno**

July 17: Movie & Popcorn/Película y Palomitas

July 19: Field Trip to San Francisco/Paseo a San Francisco

July 24: Fun & Games/Diversión y Juegos

July 26: Arts & Crafts with Julie/Artes y Manualidades

**July 31: Potluck, Birthdays and Bingo/ Intercambio de Comida,
Celebracion de Cumpleanos y Bingo**

**FOR QUESTIONS & UPDATES, PLEASE CALL RISE Inc.
@ 530-787-4110 SI TIENE PREGUNTAS O PARA ACTUALIZA-
CIONES POR FAVOR LLAME A RISE.**

Submitted by the RISE Staff



Capay Valley Seniors

John Landreth and Kelly Connelly were crowned King and Queen at the recently held first annual Senior 55 plus Senior Prom, held on June 6 at Country Villa Mobile Estates. The Capay Valley Choir preformed for the activity. Everyone enjoyed the boutonnieres and corsages presented by the group. Many bouquets and plants were raffled off. Fun was had by all. For more information about this group, call: Annette May at (530) 207-9566.

Submitted by Jim Schulte



Rain Totals for this Year so Far



The official rainfall year ends September 30, but unless we get a tropical storm before then, the total for this year is going to end up at less than two-thirds of average. At the end of June, we stand at 13.56 inches, and average for a full year is 22.67 inches. Twenty times in the last one hundred and thirty years the total has fallen under fifteen inches, so it is unusual, but not a rare occurrence. Just as last year was a “wet” year, this has been a “dry” year.

Submitted by Harmon Taber

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Center
at play.
Looks like fun!!**



Community Calendar for July

- Summer Reading Program at the Library goes through August 18
July 2: New Library hours begin, see page 11 for details.
July 4: Independence Day Holiday
July 10: Free computer class at the Library at 10:30 a.m.
July 12: Explorit Science Center: Eco-Systems and Biomes at 1:00 at the Library (don't miss this presentation!!)
July 16: Afternoon Movie at 2:00 p.m. at the Library
July 19: Project Nail Art at the Library at 6:30 p.m.
July 26: Senior Adult Class with Julie at RISE building at 9:30 a.m.
July 26: Children's Art Class with Julie at Library at 1:00 p.m.
July 30: Yolo Reads Tutor Orientation, 6:00 p.m. Orientation meeting for becoming a tutor at Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library

Kids' Corner



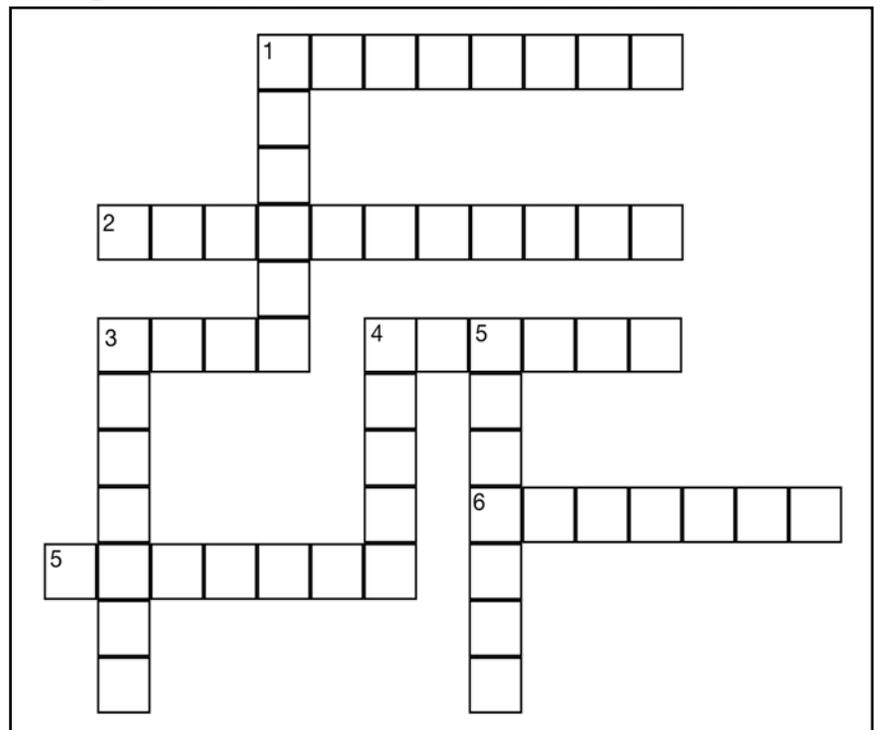
Animal Crossword Puzzle By the Students at Capay Atelier

Across

- 1 - Blue feathers
- 2 - Drinks nectar
- 3 - Does not like water
- 4 - Brown feathers
- 5 - Scary
- 6 - Food

Down

- 1 - In both waters
- 3 - Fast in forests
- 4 - Likes catnip
- 5 - Black and light grey



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Send to ValleyVoice@RISEinc.org (new email address).

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AA: Countryside Community Church, located at 26479 Grafton St. on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. Call 1-800-970-9040 for more information.

Spanish AA: Alcohólicos Anónimos: Detrás de El Toro. Los lunes, miércoles, y viernes a las 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Spanish Al-Anon: Spanish Al-Anon: Detrás de El Toro (26628 N. Grafton). Los Martes a las 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Al-Anon: Countryside Community Church on Wednesday from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church: meets at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday at 17050 Omega Street in Esparto.

Capay Valley Christian Fellowship: 11:00 a.m. adult Sunday school; 11:45 a.m. social; 12:10-1:10 worship and children's Sunday school at the Guinda Community Church

Capay Valley Fire Commission Meeting: meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Guinda Fire Station.

Capay Valley Garden Club 4th Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m., location varies, see Facebook page for more information.

Capay Valley General Plan Advisory Committee: meets every 1st Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Grange Hall in Guinda. Open to all.

Capay Valley Science Club, 4th Mondays, 6:00 p.m., location varies.

Capay Valley Vision Board: meets on the third Wednesday of every month at the CVV office at 6:30 p.m. (Meetings are OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.)

Cottonwood Cemetery District: will meet Wednesday, July 13 at 9:00 a.m. in Rm. #204 at the Woodland Administration Bldg. at 625 Court Street in Woodland

Countryside Community Church: Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Worship Service and Sunday School.

Esparto Ag Boosters: meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Ag Department at the high school.

Esparto Citizens Advisory Committee Planning Council: meets 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Esparto Regional Library.

Esparto Community Services District: meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Esparto Family Practice: open: Monday, Tuesday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Wednesday 2:00-6:00 p.m. and Thursday from 1:00-6:00 p.m..

Esparto High School Ag Boosters meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Ag Classroom at the high school.

Esparto Lions Club Meeting: meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at the VFW hall 7:00 p.m.

Esparto Regional Chamber of Commerce: meets every month on the 4th Thursday at the Chamber Office at 16858 Yolo Avenue. (787-3242)

Esparto Unified School Board Meeting: meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. at Alice Marsh Hall.

Food and Clothes Closet: open on Wednesdays 9:00-12:00 p.m. and Fridays 3:00-5:00 p.m. at Countryside Community Church. Contact RISE Inc. at 787-4110 for information.

Friends of Esparto Regional Library Board of Directors' Meeting: meets on the 1st Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. at the Library. No meetings in July or November.

Legal Services in Esparto: free services offered on the 1st Thursdays of every other month at the RISE office from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Call 787-4110 for appointment.

Guinda Community Church: Sunday Service at 9:00 a.m.

Madison Advisory Committee: 4th Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at the Madison Community Services District. No meetings in May, November or December.

Madison Community Committee: 3rd Thursday at 8:30 a.m. at the Madison Community Services District.

Madison Fire Commissioners Meeting: 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of each month at the Madison Fire Department at 17880 Stephens Street.

Madison Food Closet: open the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Madison Community Services District Building (summer hour).

Madison Service District Meeting: 2nd Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in the District office at 28963 Main Street in Madison.

New Life Christian Center in Madison: Sunday Service at 11:00 a.m. with Jr. Church for ages 5-12. Home Bible Studies on Wednesday.

On Fire Fellowship of Esparto: Sunday service at 9:00 a.m. Bible Study: Wed. at 6:30 p.m. Youth Group: Fri. at 6:30 p.m.; Ladies: 1st/3rd Tues. at 6:30 p.m.

Play School Experience: held from 8:30-10:00 am on Thursdays and Fridays at the On Fire Fellowship Church.

RISE Collaborative Meeting: meets the 3rd Friday at 9:00 a.m. at the RISE office (except August and December).

Rumsey Improvement Association: Potluck dinner and meeting on the 1st Monday. 6:00 p.m. social; 6:30 p.m. dinner; 7:10 p.m. meeting at the Rumsey Hall

St. Martin's Catholic Mission Church: English Mass: 8:30 a.m. on Sundays; Spanish Mass: 7:00 p.m. on Saturdays at St. Martin's Catholic Mission, 25633 W. Grafton St.

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW): Western Yolo Post 7143, meets 2nd Monday each month, at Post Home, Orleans St. and Highway 16.

Western Yolo Grange: meets on the 3rd Tuesday at 6:00: social, and 6:30 p.m.: potluck dinner and meeting at the Grange Hall at 16787 Forrest Ave. in Guinda.

4-H: meets at 6:30 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of each month at the Community Center in Esparto.