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The Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation Tribal Council has voted to continue the grant of more than \$190,000 in "gap funds" to maintain certain essential services that aid the underserved residents of the Madison-Esparto-Capay Valley region. In these difficult economic times, the Tribe has stepped forward to backfill funds that have been cut due to federal and local government budget shortfalls.

The Tribe worked with RISE, Inc., an umbrella organization offering counseling, resource and referral, emergency and crisis assistance programs, in its efforts to provide monetary support to the community. RISE, Inc. is the fiscal agent for these efforts.

"Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation is committed to preserving local resources that are essential to helping our neighbors and our community," said Yocha Dehe Tribal Chairman Marshall McKay.

The services aided by the Tribe's grant include operation of the Esparto Food Bank, operation of the local Clothes/Coat Closet, provision of emergency and walk-in support for families with unmet needs, resource and referral assistance, professional counseling for uninsured children, counseling for families in crisis, and support to host the Collaborative of Service Partners, a united group of agencies that bring additional services into the region.

The Tribal Council also voted to provide the funds needed to continue publication of the *Valley Voice*, which was in danger of shutting down.

In years past, the services mentioned above were supported through "mitigation funds" given to the county through the Tribe-County Agreement. Members of the Advisory Committee for Tribal Matters (ACTM) always rated these "essential services" at the top of the list for funding – ensuring a reliable communication mechanism (the *Valley Voice*), and basic services for the community. Following the elimination of county funding, the Tribe has chosen to support the community services and the only local newspaper.

Submitted by the RISE Staff

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The Valley Voice Citizen Committee is open to all volunteers. It meets only as needed – a commitment of only 15-20 hours per year! Please let us know if you would like to participate in these

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# CAPAY VALLEY VISION

Preserving a sense of place

#### **TASTE OF CAPAY 2012**

Cache Creek Casino Resort is proud to once again be a part of the *Taste of Capay*, a special meal featuring food grown on various farms and ranches in and around the beautiful Capay Valley. During the event guests will enjoy local wine, live music, and bidding\_on auction items to raise money for the non-profit organization, Capay Valley Vision. This year's event takes place on October 21 at Capay Organic, the Barsotti Farm, home of Farm Fresh to You. This working organic farm is known throughout California for its door-to-door CSA box delivery; their unique store in the San Francisco's Ferry Building and their Second Saturday farm experiences. Their headquarters are on the family farm just outside the little town of Capay off Highway 16. The Barsotti family has generously provided their time and expertise to make this event a local dining and gathering occasion enjoyed by all. David Scheuring and Paula Lorenzo Tackett, founders of Capay Valley Vision, will be honored for their service.

Capay Valley Vision, a community based organization established to help preserve and promote the Capay Valley, is the host of the ninth annual Taste of Capay benefit dinner and auction. Taste of Capay is catered by Cache Creek Casino Resort chefs using the best of local ingredients.

"We are thrilled to again have Cache Creek Resort Casino generously donate their time and talents to the Taste of Capay," said Capay Valley Vision President, Lynn Rolston. "The Taste of Capay is an event we look forward to each year as the signature event for our organization. Without this spirit of community cooperation, Capay Valley Vision would not have begun as an organization. The Taste of Capay is a celebration of all of us in the Valley of breaking bread together."

The event began as a small group of neighbors coming together to showcase the bounty of the local area and has now developed into a grand production with a guest list of over 350. This is the sixth year Cache Creek Casino Resort and the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation will sponsor and cater the event utilizing the talents of Executive Chefs Stefan Cheng and Anthony Harrington.

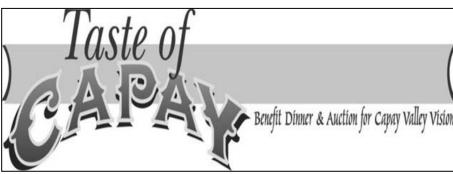
"It is our honor to support such a wonderful event," said Randy Takemoto, General Manager of Cache Creek Casino Resort. "The Taste of Capay is truly a showcase of all that our community has to offer."

"Buy local, buy Fresh" is one of the mottos of Capay Valley Vision. Organic farms and fresh produce thrive in the valley and are in high demand from restaurants all over Northern California, including Sacramento and San Francisco. This is a great opportunity to sample some of this high quality, organic fare. The event will be held from 2:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. on October 21. Tickets are now available for \$55. To purchase tickets, email info@capayvalleyvision.org, stop by the Esparto Fire Station at 61960 Yolo Avenue in Esparto, or call Maya Walker at (530) 867-5603.

For more information, please visit us at www.capayvalleyvision.org or just give a call to Sue Heitman at 530 219-5736.

Submitted by Maya Walker, Program Director for Capay Valley Vision







#### **Esparto Regional Chamber of Commerce News**

**ERCC Meetings**: The Esparto Chamber meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the ERCC office at 16856 Yolo Ave. Esparto at 5:30 p.m.

**ERCC Community Calendar**: Please send your community events for the calendar, view & download at www.espartoregionalchamber.com.

Many thanks go out to Alice & Fred Manas for hosting the September mixer at Manas Old Fashioned Style Meat Market. Thank you to all that attended and helped celebrate their one year anniversary. We enjoyed great food, fun, and lots of networking. Thank you to all the businesses who donated raffle prizes and to the chamber board for their support.

We are so proud of the support from our local community; the chamber is nearly 100 members strong. Here are just a few of the benefits your chamber membership includes:

- Free Directory Listing on website www.espartoregionalchamber.com (receives nearly 500,000 hits a year)
- 4 email blasts per year for your business/organization
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#### ALMOND FESTIVAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING:

Please bring your enthusiasm and great ideas to the next meeting scheduled for **Thursday, October 11 at 6:00 p.m.** at the ERCC office. We would love your help planning the 98<sup>th</sup> annual event and help us plan for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2015. Please note community organizations and businesses participating in the 2013 festival:

October 15: 2012 Deadline press release submissions (not a guarantee your item will make the press release)

**November 15:** 2012 Deadline schedule (submissions and webpage photos subject to approval)

Submitted by Monique Garcia, Executive Director, ERCC

#### News from Esparto Unified School District Submitted by Aida Buelna, Superintendent



#### **Back to School Nights**

Many of you had an opportunity to attend your son's or daughter's Back to School night to meet your child's teacher. This evening is set aside each year so that teachers can review with you the expectations, rules and procedures that will be in followed in their classrooms. Teachers provide parents with schedules and best times to call to set up parent/ teacher conferences or address any concerns that parents may have. If you did not make it out to your child's Back to School Night, please feel free to visit the school and request a meeting with your child's teacher.

## 2011-2012 Accountability Progress Reporting (APR) and the Academic Performance Index (API) Reports:

The APR and API reports for Esparto Unified School District have been delayed due to a state-wide testing irregularities. As soon as we receive the information, it will be shared with the community at a regularly scheduled Board meeting. The student testing information for the California Standards Tests (CST) that was mailed home to all parents in August for their individual children is accurate and correct. All staff has been busy reviewing the CST information to better inform instruction and provide students with outstanding lessons.

**Retirement:** Mr. John Devlin, high school teacher, has made the decision to retire this school year. His last day with the high school was September 11, 2012. We wish him well in his retirement and will remember him fondly.

#### "Story Challenge - \$5,000"

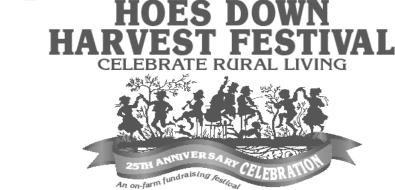
In May this year I received an email from Mr. & Mrs. George Story. In this email Mr. Story said he wanted to issue an invitation to parents and community members to match the "Story Challenge of \$5,000" which he has generously donated to Esparto High School for the Math and Science Departments.

George and Isabel Story are alumni of Esparto High School and wish to lend their support to the current faculty and students. At the 2010 graduation ceremonies, Mr. Story recalled his time at EHS and credits the math and science teachers for his success in college and the military. Mr. Story is a successful self-made businessman who has established the Story Charitable Scholarship Fund that will benefit future EHS graduates who pursue a career in Engineering, Mathematics, Science or Technology.

However, this Fund is still years away from becoming active. In the interim, Mr. Story is challenging other community members and parents to donate what they can to match his \$5,000 to benefit the math and science departments. Mr. Story understands that schools have been hard hit in these economic times and he has generously donated money to assist our math and science departments. Last year Mr. & Mrs. Story donated \$5000 when our bond did not pass and this year they have issued the high school another \$5000 to support these departments. So, if you are a former student or business member and wish to make a donation, please make it out to Esparto High School. Please indicate on the check which program you would like to see this money benefit. This is the Story Challenge!

Checks can be mailed to Esparto High School, 26675 Plainfield Street, Esparto, CA. 95627, or dropped by the high school or district

Submitted by Aida Buelna, EHS Principal



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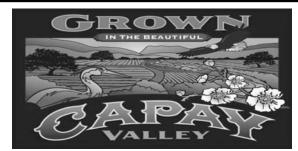
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#### The Esparto Writers Group

Indulge yourself...and it's free. Esparto Writers Group meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the Esparto Regional Library. You might be surprised to find that you are a wonderful writer. Share your works with us. For more specific information, please call: Sandy Pelletier at 530 796-3555 or email at sandrapelletier@me.com.



Submitted by Sandra Pelletier





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Pictured right are the local wines featured at last year's Taste of Capay.



#### Patrick Scribner

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#### Esparto-Capay Valley 4-H Youth Celebrate National 4-H Week October 7-13

October 7-13 is National 4-H Week, and the Esparto-Capay Valley Community is celebrating the 4-H youth who have made an impact on the community, and are stepping up to the challenges of a complex and changing world. During the week, 4-H youth will connect with the community by posting flyers, handing out green wristbands, and decorating the community with green ribbons.

Recent findings from Tufts University's **4-H Study of Positive Youth Development** indicate that young people in 4-H are three times more likely to contribute to their communities than youth not participating in 4-H. Notably, the Tufts research discovered that the structured learning, encouragement and adult mentoring that 4-Hers receive play a vital role in helping them actively contribute to their communities. In the Esparto-Capay Valley Region, more than forty-two 4-H members and fourteen volunteers are involved in 4-H.

Also, during National 4-H Week, hundreds of thousands of youth from all around the nation will complete a single, innovative experiment on 4-H National Youth Science Day, which will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2012. The 2012 National Science Experiment, 4-H Eco-Bot Challenge, explores how robots can be used to preserve and protect the environment, while offering a glimpse into the future of science, technology, engineering and math.

4-H youth are a living breathing, culture-changing revolution for doing the right thing, breaking through obstacles and pushing our country forward by making a measurable difference right where they live. Learn how you can *Join the Revolution of Responsibility* at 4-H.org/revolution, or contact Jenny Dutton, Community Club Leader, Esparto-Capay Valley 4-H at 530-383-1363.

Submitted by Gretchen Rooney-Adan Chairperson of the Esparto-Capay Valley National 4-H Week

#### Halloween Party at the Guinda Grange Hall

The Annual Children's Halloween Party at the Grange Hall, 16787 Forrest Avenue in Guinda will be on **Saturday, October 27**.

There will be a Costume Parade & Contest, games & activities, cupcake walk, face painting, treats & much more from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

This will be followed by popcorn & the movie: **Attack of the Killer Tomatoes**From 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to create and run activities. Donations of candy and cupcakes are gladly accepted.

For more information call Heather Grimes (796-0547) or Jill Glass at (plantgal05@hotmail.com).

Submitted by the Guinda Grange



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#### **Events at Countryside Community Church**

Esparto's Countryside Community Church has exciting events happening in October. The church invites everyone to come and participate.

October 7 is World Communion Sunday. A very special person will be the guest preacher. Claudio Carvalhaes is a world famous preacher. Originally from Brazil, he is now an Associate Professor of Worship and Liturgy at the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. Carvalhaes is in our area conducting seminars on preaching. Our pastor, Dr. Pamela Anderson, invited him to visit our country church. He accepted. We are looking forward to a strong and uplifting message from a world renowned minister.

On October 14 Countryside Community Church will have its annual Blessing of the Animals. The ceremony is at noon and follows the 10:00 a.m. service and social hour. Members of the community are invited to bring pets and other friendly critters to receive the blessing. Other activities add to the excitement, including FINGER PAINTING ON REAL HORSES and treats for humans and animals.

October 28 is the day that Countryside Community Church celebrates the Grand Opening of our renovated sanctuary. New carpets, new paint, and many "fixits" have grandly restored it. Much of the work was done by volunteers who gave many dedicated hours. This event marks the beginning of a campaign to raise funds for other church projects that have been neglected throughout the church's almost 90 years of serving the residents of the Esparto region.

At the Grand Opening service, the church will also be recognizing and honoring our recently retired musical director. Dolores Stephens is probably the longest serving church organist in history! For 65 years she has been playing the organ for our church. At age 90 she decided to retire. Dolores still plays the organ very well and is giving the new organist many helpful hints. We are sure we can convince her to play during the service.

There is joy and friendship every Sunday at Countryside Community Church. Services begin at 10 a.m. Please join us this special month of October and enjoy the friendly comradery that Countryside Community Church has provided since 1923.

For additional information contact: Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson at 787-3586 George Pennebaker at 916-501-6541 Submitted by George Pennebaker

Pictured right at last year's Blessing of the Animals at Countryside Community Church.







Sunday Service at 10am Sunday School provided for 3-10 year olds

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#### Called by Christ to Care Countryside Community Church

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#### Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation's Community Fund Donates \$36,000 to Insure Children

Thirty Capay Valley children will receive comprehensive medical, dental, vision and mental health insurance for a full year thanks to a generous \$36,000 grant from the Yocha Dehe Community Fund to the Yolo County Children's Alliance.

For these 30 children, the money will cover the insurance premium assistance component for the Yolo Community Health Initiative called *Yolo Healthy Kids*. This program provides low-cost health insurance coverage for children from income-qualifying families.

"We are proud to stand beside an organization that addresses such critical needs of children in the Capay Valley," said Marshall McKay, Chairman of the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation. "The insurance provided through this partnership has a direct affect on access to healthcare for many families, which is a priority issue for our Tribe and a focus of our Community Fund. We commend Yolo County Children's Alliance for an outstanding job in providing these services."

This is the third year the Yocha Dehe Community Fund has provided a grant to support the Yolo Community Health Initiative.

"We cannot overemphasize the importance of the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation's generous contribution to the families and children in Capay Valley," added Yolo County Children's Alliance Executive Director Katie Villegas. "When parents are asked about barriers to their children receiving health services, the number one obstacle cited is the cost of health insurance. Even basic health care services are unaffordable for many low-income and working families," Villegas added. "Yolo Healthy Kids helps families take care of their children's health needs, encouraging preventative care and making urgent care accessible."

The children from Esparto, Brooks, Madison, Guinda, and Rumsey are receiving assistance from the Yocha Dehe Grant. Approximately 150 Capay Valley area children per year are insured through one of the three available subsidized health insurance programs, Healthy Families, Medi-Cal or *Yolo Healthy Kids*. The Kaiser ChildHealth program is available in some areas of the county, but not the Capay Valley.

Yolo County children from low-income families receive assistance in applying for, and annually renewing, subsidized insurance coverage through the Community Health Initiative. The Community Health Initiative is a county-wide collaborative, facilitated by the Yolo County Children's Alliance, that works to ensure all Yolo County children have health coverage and are receiving a full range of health care services including doctor and nurse practitioner visits; immunizations; medications; lab tests; dental, hearing, and vision services; and mental health counseling.

In the Capay Valley, the Children's Alliance works in partnership with RISE, Inc. to enroll children in free or low-cost health insurance coverage. Employees at RISE help families understand their benefits, trouble-shoot problems, get referrals to medical providers, and encourage parents to access the care and services their children need. When the annual renewal periods roll around, RISE and the Children's Alliance work with the family to ensure they maintain coverage.

In addition to providing assistance in enrolling income-qualifying children in health and dental insurance, the Yolo County Children's Alliance operates a number of support programs for families in all cities and unincorporated areas of Yolo County. Other programs include bi-lingual assistance to families in completing their Federal and State Income Tax Returns and the Earned Income Tax Credit portions of the returns; facilitation of a network of organizations in West Sacramento who provide "basic needs" such as nutritious food, clothing, and household items to families; work with the Yolo County Department of Employment and Social Services to help families access CalFresh (formerly called Food Stamps); and an intensive home visiting program for first-time parents who are facing parenting challenges. Step-by-Step / Paso a Paso provides emotional and practical support to pregnant women and to the families of newborns.

Submitted by Katie Villegas of the Yolo County Childen's Alliance and
Kristine Stanfill of the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation's Community Fund

# Harvest Hub Yolo Promoting Locally Produced Food and Art

The Yolo County Agriculture Department, in partnership with YoloArts, recently launched Harvest Hub Yolo (www.harvesthubyolo.org), a website that supports a unique art and agriculture collaboration, focusing on the promotion of locally produced food, wine and art to connect producers to consumers.

Yolo County is home to organic and traditional farming operations, thriving olive oil and wine industries, seed research and production companies, agricultural processing plants, farmers markets in every community and the University of California at Davis. The county hosts a diverse ecology, geography, culture and economy, all rooted in a strong agricultural heritage.

Harvest Hub Yolo was created to promote the diversity of farm production and its value in Yolo County. The website includes a food hub that provides linkages for its vibrant local producers' network, a link to YoloArts' online network of artists, a calendar of events, connections to creative producers of food and wine, and information about Farm to School Yolo, a public health and agricultural marketing initiative.

The Yolo County Agriculture Department is committed to serving agriculture, the business community and the residents of Yolo County through collaboration and partnerships, ensuring Yolo County has preserved agriculture and is a safe, healthy and enjoyable environment in which to work, play and live. For more information, visit (go to: Government > Agriculture)

YoloArts is a non-profit arts organization dedicated to increased awareness for the arts and art education. YoloArts works to convey the positive value the arts play in enriching the lives of Yolo County residents. For more information, visit: www.yoloarts.org.

Submitted by Beth Gabor Yolo County Manager of Public Affairs



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#### **Esparto High School News** From the Desk of the Principal, Aida Buelna

I want to take a moment to thank all parents for your support of the high school dress code policy. Your support has made this a non-issue and we are now focusing on what we are here for: *Education!* 

#### **Homecoming Week October 8 – 12:**

Many events are planned for this week, so please check out our webpage as we near this week to find out the activities that students will be involved in. We shall have dress up days, selection of the Queen & King, Homecoming Dance, Powder Puff Football, and much, much more. On Friday, October 12 we shall be hosting Colusa High School for our Homecoming. Associated Student Body will be providing more information on the Homecoming Week events, so please stay posted.

#### **Celebrate:**

Congratulations to Mrs. Charter for writing a successful grant application! Our school was selected to receive a \$10,000.00 grant for Greenhouse & Garden Area Revitalization through America's Farmers Grow Rural Education SM, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund. Growing the next generation is very important to farmers, and they realize that we are an integral part of that process. To show their appreciation, farmers in our area nominated us to receive this grant. After reviewing the application which Mrs. Charter submitted, it was reviewed first by math and science teachers from ineligible school districts, then by the America's Farmers Grow Rural Education Advisory Council, a group of 26 prominent farmers from across the country. The Advisory Council was impressed with her dedication to our students and her innovative ideas for improving their educational experiences. Please join me in saying, Thank you, Mrs. Amber Charter, you rock!

#### **Important Dates:**

October 1: Homecoming Begins

Benchmark Assessments #1

October 2: CAHSEE

October 3: CAHSEE
October 4: Volleyball at Hamilton

October 5: Football Esparto at Williams

FFA Opening/Closing Contest

The Circus comes to EHS (1:30 pm)

October 8-12: Homecoming Week

Homecoming Parade at 4:00 p.m. Football Colusa at Esparto 5:30 p.m.

Homecoming Dance

#### Fall Festival



Thursday, October 25, 2012 Esparto K-8 School North Campus



5:30-7:00 p.m.
Food, Games, Prizes
\$5 Wrist Band
Sponsored by Esparto PTA
Submitted by Julie Rose



#### Travel to Washington, D.C.!

Dear parents and students,

I am excited to announce that I will lead an educational trip with Smithsonian Student Travel! All students in 5<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to participate. We will travel on the following tour: Washington, D.C.: The Capital Tour. Our planned departure date is June 15, 2013 and our return date is June 19, 2013. This will be an excellent opportunity for students to see where history is made and to make memories that will last a lifetime.

Please find the details of our trip by logging on to www.SmithsonianStudentTravel.com and enter our tour number (1290813) in the box labeled "Enroll on a tour". The deadline to enroll on our trip is Wednesday, October 17, 2012.

If you have any questions about the details of our trip, please contact me at vmichael@espartok12.org or Smithsonian Student Travel customer service at 1.888.333.9756.

Thank you for your continued support. Veronica Michael, Esparto K-8 Principal

#### Join us for Esparto High School Career Day 2012

Esparto High School will be hosting Spartan Career Day 2012 on Thursday, November 29. We would like to invite you to this very special event and give you the opportunity to share your career experience with our students.

The goal of Spartan Career Day is to provide first-hand exposure to the working world and an understanding of how school is connected to career success. Spartan Career Day provides an opportunity for our students to interact with various professionals and to develop a better understanding of what they want to do in life.

If you would like to participate in this year's Spartan Career Day, please respond by October 12 to: Alexis.Kersting@espartok12.org. In addition, please pick up a presenter registration form from the high school. If you choose to attend, this form will ensure that we provide you with detailed information on our event, including a Spartan Career Day packet with your personal schedule for the day, and helpful tips on speaking to high school students about your career.

Packets will be mailed to presenters in late October. Items such as tables, overhead projectors and computers can be made available for you. Please let us know if you need any special equipment, and we will do our best to meet your request.

The students of Esparto High School are looking forward to hearing you speak! If you have any questions, or need assistance, please feel free to contact us at (530) 787-3405 ext. 206 or Alexis.Kersting@espartok12.org. Thank you!

Submitted by Alexis Kersting, EHS Counselor Charlie Abee, EHS AG teacher

#### **Madison Park Clean-up**

Madison Community Committee is having two Park Clean-up days a year. One in the fall and one in the spring, or as needed. Please join us in the park on Friday October 12, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. to pull weeds, pick up litter, clean graffiti and tables and any other small things we can think of for a few hours. All are encouraged to come help out with the Madison Community Park

Submitted by Bonnie Stormont

#### Your Library.....October 2012

#### This month is the kick-off of the Membership Drive.

Chairperson Nancy Remington started off with a Party in the Park serving root beer floats. Gabe Galvan gave out balloons to children. The raffle is still available for a trip for two from Cache Canyon River Trip with lunch, and for two cash cards from Costco and Nugget Market. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Donated Books were for sale for \$1.00 or less.

The event was well attended and was a great opportunity to introduce FERL to several new-comers to our area and get their memberships. They are delightful additions to our communities. The children had a wonderful time in the park on a beautiful Saturday. Wally Remington has become our "artist in residence" with his excellent posters, flyers and book marks.

#### Please mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

**November 4:** Harvest Dinner, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Alice Marsh Hall at the High School

**December 15:** Children's Shopping Day

**January 22:** Annual Meeting with a special Chocolate event for members.

The **Harvest Dinner on Sunday November 4** will be a complete home-cooked turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Crafters will have tables with their artistic work, Clarence Van Hook will strum his guitar and Renee Harmon has collected wonderful treasures for a raffle as only she can do. Take out is available and we will happily deliver to shut-ins. This is a wonderful time to see friends from all over the valley. Bring your families and give Mom a day off. Tickets are available at the library, New Reflections Beauty Salon, Corner Store in Guinda-----adults [\$12.00] and children under 12 [\$6.00]

FERL begins its **Membership Campaign** to join the Friends of the Library. The Friends support the library by donating money [\$14,000] since January for additional hours to keep the library available for you in the evenings, for your children to have a quiet place to study, for extra opportunities to use the computers, make copies, read newspapers and magazines. These hours support the library being open when you get home from work.

Programs are very much a part of the activities of the library. The summer has been full of wonderful programs for children and some for adults as well. Now that fall is here, additional programs and movies sponsored by the Friends will be scheduled.

Joining the Friends does not mean you have to volunteer, although it would be great to have you. Please do support the efforts of the Friends at the Harvest Dinner as a volunteer cook, as helper at the Children's Christmas Shopping Day or save items to donate for the children to buy. This is a good way for newcomers to meet old timers in the valley and our communities.

The BOOK NOOK at the library is full, so FERL is offering two for one shopping. Some books are new and are perfect gifts. Come check out the goodies.

Submitted by Helen Voss, FERL President



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#### Fall into reading at the Esparto Regional Library!

The weather will be changing. You should head to the library and find a great book to read! Go to our web catalog and take a look at the suggestion lists under "Good Reads and More".

Yolo County Library has a collection of downloadable audiobooks, videos, music and eBooks available at http://yolocounty.lib.overdrive.com. Download materials to enjoy on your personal computer or portable device.

#### We want to learn about you and your use of our library!

The Yolo County Library invites you to take part in a survey about your reading habits and the many ways you use the public library. We are pleased to be partnering with *Library Journal's* **Patron Profiles**, a new national survey of the behavior and preferences of U.S. public library users.

Please take this survey and tell us what you think. Go to www.yolocountylibrary.org and click on the icon for Library Journal Patron Profiles.

#### **Special Programs at the Esparto Regional Library in October:**

- After school movie event on October 11, at 3:00 p.m.. All children and families are invited to view Dr. Seuss' <u>The Lorax</u>, rated PG.
- Fall Crafts Extravaganza on October 18 at 3:00 p.m. Get in the mood for fall and be creative by making a fun craft.
- Halloween Puppet Show on October 25 at 3:15 p.m. A fun event for all ages.

#### **Recurring Programs at the Esparto Regional Library:**

- Bilingual pre-school Story Time: every Thursday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the Wintun Room, featuring stories, finger-plays, and songs.
- The English Conversation Class meets on Tuesday, 1:15-2:15 p.m., in the Wintun Room. All English learners are welcome. Practice your English in a group setting. Call for further information. 530-787-3426.
- Conversación en Ingles en la biblioteca de Esparto. Fechas y horas: Martes 1:15 2:15p.m. La Biblioteca de Esparto esta en 17065 Yolo Ave. en Esparto. 530-787-3426. Un programa gratis de la Biblioteca del Condado de Yolo.
   Submitted by Malinda Baker. Librarian

### **Roots to Wine Second Annual Passport Weekend**

Saturday and Sunday, October 13-14 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. \$25 in advance/\$30 on day of event

Roots to Wine member wineries located in Western Yolo County invite you to visit for special tastings and events on October 13-14. One "passport" grants entry to all wineries for unique experiences available only on this weekend and only to passport holders. In addition several affiliate members will be participating. Buy your passport from Capay Valley Vineyards in advance or online at www.rootstowine.com

#### Activities here at Capay Valley Vineyards:

- <u>Simas Family Winery</u> our neighbors here in the valley will be joining us and pouring their wines here at our tasting room. A double header!!
- Meet our winemaker Terri Strain. You have heard us speak of her now meet her in person. A combination of art and science.
- McLaren M8B For all those guys and gals who have seen the picture and wanted to view the car. Here's your chance. Tom has agreed to bring it to the tasting room for all to see.
- There will be <u>music</u> both days provided by Encore Cafe.
- <u>Passport Special</u> -Passport holders will receive a 25% discount on 6 or more bottles 35% on a case of 12 from Capay Valley Vineyards.

Submitted by Tom Frederick and Pam Welch

#### **Restore/Restory Project**

What happens when you bring university students, scholars and artists together with a diverse array of Yolo county residents to tell the story of a small patch of land in rural Yolo county? The *Restore/Restory* Project!

Restore/Restory is a multimedia project showcasing the diverse and layered history of the Cache Creek Nature Preserve--a site that was once home to the Wintun people, then to European explorers, later to Mexican ranchers and Anglo farmers before becoming a gravel mining area and, most recently, an environmental education center. RestoreRestory chronicles the changing cultural, economic, and physical landscape of the Preserve through digital art murals, an interactive storymap of community memories and an audio tour of different habitats on the Preserve.

Restore/Restory is a project of the UC Davis Art of Regional Change in partnership with the Cache Creek Conservancy. The university-community project involved over 200 Yolo County residents in a collaborative effort to gather and share our diverse and changing demographics, traditions, and relationships about the land.

Please join the UC Davis Art of Regional Change and the Cache Creek Conservancy from **noon to 6 p.m. on Saturday, October 20, 2012, at the Cache Creek Nature Preserve**, 34199 County Road 20, Woodland, for the debut of *Restore/Restory: A People's History Project*.

Free and open to the public, the event will also feature live music, hands-on activities for youth, basket-weaving demonstrations, and guest speakers. The event is funded by the UC Humanities Research Institute with additional support from Tuleyome, Putah Creek Council, and the Yolo County Historical Society. The *Restore/Restory* project is funded by grants from the UC Institute for Research in the Arts and the Quitalpás Foundation.

Restore/Restory project presentation at the Capay Valley Fire Department, on Sunday November 4, from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Yolo County Historical Society, Western Yolo Grange, Capay Valley Fire Department, and UC Davis Art of Regional Change Program. For more information visit www.artofregionalchange.ucdavis.edu and click on Restore/Restory Event Information.

Submitted by Jesikah Maria Ross

#### I am From.....

I am from warriors; father, father's father, mother, and mother's father, all military. All fighting for our country. My grandfather survived the Battle of Normandy.

I am from nomads; of moving every two years since I was born; of not making friends because I'll leave soon; of new environments and accents that influence me.

I am from the flat, windy farm lands of Kansas. The deserts and floods of Texas. From the harsh snows of winter in Maryland, and the hurricanes of Virginia. From the humidity of the South, the dreadful hurricanes, and the devastating oil spills of the Gulf.

But now, I am from here. Now I am from the starry nights, with thousands of stars, with the Milky Way clear in the heavens. Now I am from the farm, getting up early to work, and working all day till my skin is burnt red from the sun. Now I am from grease covered hands from broken tractors. Now I am from my truck; of driving 70 miles a day, every day, just for school or friends. Now I am from friends that won't just be a memory from my past, but are a constant in my life, that aren't leaving anytime soon.

All my life I've constantly moved, and been from nowhere. Now I am from the Capay Valley. Written by Josh Rix, high school sophomore



#### Free Flu Vaccination Clinics to be Held in Yolo County Volunteers Needed to Assist

The Yolo County Health Department will be holding five free seasonal influenza vaccination clinics throughout Yolo County this fall. Besides providing flu vaccine to the community, the clinics also test the county's mass vaccination response. To assist in both efforts, volunteers with a variety of skills are needed to staff four of the clinics. Volunteer opportunities include:

- Runners assist all staff by helping clients, getting/delivering supplies, providing breaks for staff
- Traffic Control & Interior Security work with uniformed officers to provide security services at each site
- Inventory Control keep track of all vaccines, supplies, etc. on site
- Paperwork Collection work with clients to ensure that all medical records are collected and information materials are given
- Translation assist clients with alternate language needs
- Greeting/Triage meet clients and provide information Medical Screening – assist clients by identifying the vaccine they are eligible for at the site

The mass flu vaccination clinics will be held as follows (more information to follow at a later date):

- · Saturday, October 13, Westmore Oaks School in West Sacramento
- · Wednesday, October 17, Winters Community Center
- · Saturday, October 27, Esparto Fire Department
- · Saturday, November 17, Douglass Middle School in Woodland

In addition to the above, a small flu vaccination clinic will be held on Tuesday, October 16 at the Davis Senior Center. Volunteers will not be needed for this clinic.

Volunteering to help at mass vaccination clinics can count towards high school community service hours. For more information, or to sign up, e-mail: volunteer.coordinator@yolocounty.org.

**Note:** the Yolo County Health Department also provides seasonal flu vaccine for \$10.00 as part of the regularly scheduled public health immunization clinic held every Tuesday, 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Yolo County Health Department, located at 137 N. Cottonwood Street in Woodland. Those unable to pay for a flu vaccine will not be turned away.

Submitted by Beth Gabor, YC Manager of Public Affairs



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# Esparto Lions Take Action in Celebration of Annual White Cane Days

White Cane Days in October are when Lions Clubs everywhere help to educate the public about the aspirations, hopes and abilities of people who are blind or visually impaired. In their efforts to advocate for people who are blind or visually impaired or deaf-blind, activities include:

- Organizing an event that emphasizes equal capabilities and talents of people who are blind, visually impaired or deaf-blind. Special themes may be chosen to focus public attention on a facet of blindness and visual impairment.
- Educate the public about white cane laws.
- Advocate for "beep" traffic lights and other safety devices.

The Esparto Lions Club plans to place fund-raising jars at various valley businesses in October and march in the Esparto High Homecoming Parade on October 12. They will also be passing out pin-on white canes to those who donate at the Homecoming Game that night. Capay Valley Leo's will be assisting.

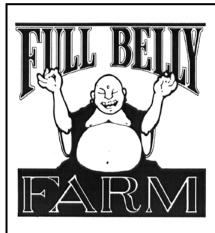
According to James Schulte, Esparto Lions' white cane chairperson, "Lions are recognized worldwide for their work with the visually impaired and blind, a cause Lions have supported since Helen Keller's call to Lions in 1925 to be 'Knights of the Blind.' Recognizing our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Lions Eye Bank Week is a chance to demonstrate how Lions make a difference in our community."

In December 1905, Dr. Eduard Zirm performed the world's first transplant operation—a corneal transplant. Lions have supported corneal donation and eye banks by serving as tissue transporters, volunteers and fundraisers. Since the Staten Island Central Lions Club partnered with the world's first eye bank in 1944, Lions across the globe have helped eye banks restore the gift of sight to needy patients.

Lions clubs are a group of men and women who identify needs within their community and work together to fulfill those needs. For more information or to get involved with the Lions Club, please contact James Schulte at 530-787-4441 or e-mail: jschulte\_611@hotmail.com

Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization with more than 1.3 million members in approximately 45,000 clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas around the world. Since 1917, Lions have aided the blind and visually impaired and made a strong commitment to community service and serving youth throughout the world. For more information about Lions Clubs International, visit the Web site at www.lionsclubs.org.

Submitted by James Schulte



### Full Belly Farm

**Certified Organic** 

**Veggies • Flowers • Fruit** 

Farm Stand Open Fridays 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Road 43, just past Guinda For more info: 796-2214

#### FFA Ag Boosters Harvest Celebration Spaghetti Dinner & Silent Auction Saturday, October 20 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 20 6:00-8:00 p.m. K-8 South Campus Multi-Purpose Room Adults \$12 Children \$6

Please come out and support the Ag Boosters at their first Annual Harvest Festival. This year it will feature a Spaghetti Dinner & Silent Auction. The silent auction will feature student made shop projects, student grown plants and flower arrangements. All proceeds will go the Ag Boosters to help support Esparto's Ag Program. Each year the booster club provides scholarships for students to attend FFA conferences, scholarships for college, supplies for the ag department and to support students at the Yolo County Fair. The event will kickoff at 6:00 p.m. and the silent auction will close at 7:30 p.m. Come on out, celebrate the end of harvest, have a great time with your friends while supporting the Esparto Ag Boosters.

Submitted by Amber Charter, EHS Ag Department

#### Contra Dance at the Guinda Grange Hall

In Contra dancing...dancers form two facing lines, a caller teaches each dance, beginners are welcome, there is a family atmosphere.

**Date:** Saturday October 20

Location: Guinda Grange Hall, 16787 Forest Ave, Guinda 95637

Time: Lesson 6:30 pm, Dance 7:00 pm-10:00 pm
Cost: \$10 Adult, \$25 Family, \$5 High school student,

Children 13 and under accompanying family members are

free.

Refreshments will be available (donations appreciated)
Questions? Contact us at www.westernyologrange.org

Submitted by Western Yolo Grange

### Community Medical Centers

Esparto

17050 Grafton Street Esparto CA 05627 (530) 787-3454

#### **Medical Services for the Entire Family**

General Medicine-Family Planning-Prenatal Care
Well Baby Care and Immunizations
Employment Physicals –DMV Physicals and Sports Physicals
Health Counseling and Education, CHDP Provider

#### Servicios Médicos para toda la Familia

Medicina General-Planificación de Familia-Cuidados Prenatales Cuidados del Bebe y Vacunas Exámenes físicos: de Empleo, Licencia de Manejar y Deportes Consejería y Educación de Salud Proveedores de examines de CHDP-Servicios de WIC

#### Clinic Hours—Horario De La Clinica

Monday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday: 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m

Lunes: 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Martes, miércoles, jueves y viernes: 2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

SAME DAY APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE CITAS DISPONIBLES EL MISMO DÍA



Pacific ACE Hardware <u>Esparto</u>: (530) 787-3800 <u>Vacaville</u>: (707) 448-2978 <u>Winters</u>: (530) 795-3368



#### "Spotlight on Safety"

Chief Gary Fredericksen Yocha Dehe Fire Department

#### October 7 - 13 is Fire Prevention Week.

We want to make sure everyone has 2 ways out of every room in their home. If there is ever a fire, and your first way out is blocked, you can use your second way out.

# Take the "Aways dat" Challenge









#### Here is the challenge if you choose to accept it:

- 1. You need a post-it pad and a pencil.
- 2. Go through each room in your home and mark the two ways out with your sticky paper. *Hint: one could be the door and the other could be a window.*
- 3. Take your family on a tour and show them all the ways out that you have found.
- 4. As a family, choose a place outside that you can meet if there is a fire. *Hint: a good outside meeting place is a tree or neighbor's house.*
- 5. Extra credit: Have a grown-up test every smoke alarm in your home.

Remember, if you have any questions or concerns, please stop by your local fire department or give us a call at 530-796-2500.

#### Reminder

All articles, ads, and announcements and payments for this paper are due to the following email address by the <u>20th of each month</u> for publication in the next month's Valley Voice. Send to valleyvoice2@hotmail.com.

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#### VALLEY SENIORS PROGRAM AT RISE **Schedule for October 2012** Sponsored by the Yocha Dehe Community Fund

If you are 55 or over, Please join us at RISE; 17317 Fremont Street in Esparto, next to Esparto Market and the D. Warren Insurance Agency.

Join us on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, For HEALTH, EXERCISE, CLASSES & INFORMATION:

October 2:	9:00	Coffee & Exercise
	10:00	"Cheese Making" with Rachel Bingham
	11:00	Lunch
October 4:	9:00	Coffee and Legal Services of Northern
		California
	11:00	Lunch
October 9:	9:00	Coffee & Walking Group
	10:00	Bread Making with Jim Schulte
	11:00	Lunch
October 11:	9:00	Coffee & HICAPP: What is itHealth info for
		Senior
	10:00	Medicare facts, upcoming changes and info
		with Pam Hunter and Andrea Pineda
	11:00	Lunch
October 16:		All Day Trip to Apple Hill. Space is limited,
		please RSVP.
October 18:	9:00	Collecting local leaves, exploring local open

spaces, & Spicnic. October 23:

9:00 Coffee and a Walk

10:00 **Speaker Charlotte Lucero, Transitions** 

11:00

October 25: 9:00 Coffee/Celebrate Birthdays

10:00 Decorating Pumpkins

11:00 Potluck

October 30: Trip to Nimbus Dam Call to RSVP, thank you!

Call Beth @ RISE, 530-787-4110 FOR QUESTIONS & UPDATES. Submitted by the RISE Staff

(530) 668-0269 Ray Juhler & Jason Findley

Produce your own power to reduce or even eliminate your electricity bill. Call for a free site evaluation.

#### **Pet Adoption Corner**

Have a pet that needs adopting? A litter of kittens? You are moving and need to find a new home for a cat or dog? Just lost a pet and want a new one? Send in the information and we will place it in this space.

All notices must be received by the 20th of each month for the next month's paper. Send to valleyvoice2@hotmail.com. Editor reserves the right to edit any notice. Send a picture if desired. Please give contact information. Adoptions are strictly between individuals.



Tuxie is a female tuxedo cat who is one of five kittens born in the Capay Valley. She is black with white markings. She is five months old, has been spayed, has had her nails clipped, a first dose of flea medication, and a rabies shot. She is looking for a forever home, preferably indoors. She was the runt of the litter and is a sweet gentle kitty, and is doing well indoors. She is very shy and will need to be coaxed. She responds to petting and attention. If you can give Tuxie a home, please call 796-4983.



#### SPAY / NEUTER VOUCHER PROGRAM

\$10 Cat \$15 Dog

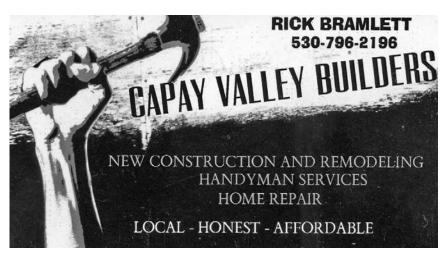
Household Income less than \$35,000/yr. Apply online: www.sacanimal.org or Call (916) 808 SPAY (7729)

Sacramento Area Animal Coalition

#### **Room for Rent in Esparto**

Share kitchen, furnished, TV, Washer Dryer, utilities included. Non Smokers

Small bedroom....\$325.00 Per Month Medium Bedroom....\$375.00 Per Month 530-787-3272



#### Senior/Disabled Door to Door Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program

Senior or disabled residents who cannot drive, and who have household hazardous waste in need of proper disposal, may schedule a free pickup of their waste. Yolo County residents 65 years and older qualify for this Door to Door cornigo.

Material that can be collected include: batteries, cleaning supplies, lighter fluid, antifreeze, aerosol cans (no empties), garden pesticides and herbicides, latex or oil based paints, solvents, poisons, fluorescent bulbs or tubes, used motor oil and used oil filters.

Appointments are required for the Door to Door program and can be made by contacting Yolo County's Recycling Coordinator to schedule an appointment at (530) 666-8856.

The Door to Door pick-up program for residents within Yolo County is provided by the Yolo County Planning & Public Works Department Division of Integrated Waste Management which manages the Yolo County Central Landfill, the Esparto Convenience Center and various recycling programs at the landfill seven days a week, including electronic waste, cardboard, plastics #1 through #7, agricultural and rigid plastics, used motor oil and filters, and mixed paper and glass. For more information, visit: www.yolocounty.org.

Submitted by Beth Gabor Yolo County Manager of Public Affairs

#### Is Health Insurance for your Child a Problem??

In these difficult economic and health reform times, good health insurance coverage for your children may be a problem. There are three different publically-supported options now available, which seek to assist many levels of incomes and urgent situations. You may qualify for at least one of these:

- MediCal—For those families most in need. Job loss and/or changes in income power may now qualify you. Free review of your eligibility.
- <u>Healthy Families</u>—Federally and State Supported with low premiums. Serves
  the children of families who earn too much for MediCal help. Has low
  premiums. Once enrolled, your enrollment lasts for a year without further
  review. Find out today if you qualify.
- Healthy Kids—Supported by local funds and efforts. This health insurance
  option seeks to insure that all children have access to health care. Higher income
  families can successfully utilize this option. Thanks to the generosity of the
  Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, no qualifying local child will be put on a waiting
  list. Low monthly premiums.

#### • Check these options out! Free!

If you are interested in further discussing any of these health insurance options, please call RISE Inc. at 787-4110 and ask for a screening appointment with Beth Conn-Ossenfort or Lupe Saucedo. Free. Confidential. RISE will also come to small groups or farm meetings to discuss these options with interested folks. Call today!

Submitted by the RISE Staff

HICAPP: Appointments available at RISE,
MEDICARE open enrollment coming soon...book now for
objective, no-cost, not representing any insurance agency, by a
certified trained HICAPP volunteer, at RISE Inc.
Call 787-4110 to make an appointment now.
First Come, First Served





#### **October Events**

There are lots of October events in our communities, so check out all the exciting things that are happening.

October 5: Circus at EHS at 1:30 p.m.

October 6: Hoes Down Festival Fully Belly Farm 11:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.

October 7: World Communion Day (churches)
October 11: After School Movie at Library 3:00 p.m.
October 12: Esparto High School Homecoming

4:00 p.m. Parade

5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. games October 12: Madison Park Clean Day at 9:00 a.m.

October 12: Esparto Lions White Cane Day
October 13-14: Roots to Wine Passport Weekend from 11:00-5:00 p.m.

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October 13: Almond Festival Planning Meeting at ERCC 6:00 p.m.
October 14: Blessing of the Animals Countryside Church 12:00 p.m.
Last day to sign up for Washington DC trip K-8 school

October 18: Fall Craft Extravaganza at Library at 3:00 p.m. Esparto Writers' Group at Esparto Library 6:00 p.m. October 18: October 20: Restore/Restory at Cache Creek Conservancy noon October 20: FFA Ag Boosters dinner and auction at 6:00 p.m. October 20: Contra Dancing at Guinda Grande at 7:00 p.m. October 21: Taste of Capay at Capay Organic 2:00-6:00 p.m. October 25: Halloween Puppet Show at Library at 3:00 p.m. October 27: Esparto Health Fair in Esparto Park 10:00-2:00 p.m.

October 27: Vaccination Clinic in Esparto Firehouse
October 27: Halloween Party at Guinda Grange at 5:00 p.m.

October 31: Halloween

Week of October 7-13: Fire Prevention Week
Week of October 7-13: National 4-H Week
Week of October 8-12: EHS Homecoming Week
Month of October: Lions Club White Cane Days



#### **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: next to the Esparto Grab 'n Go Market at 16814 Fremont Street on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

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

Calvary Baptist Church: meets at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday at Alice Marsh Hall at the Esparto High School.

Capay Valley Christian Fellowship: meets at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday at the Grange Hall on Forest Ave. in Guinda.

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

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 Vision Board: meets on the first Wednesday of every month at the CVV/Chamber office from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

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

**Dental Office in Esparto:** is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. every Tuesday. Call 787-4972 to make an appointment.

Early Learning Center Program: held from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at the Countryside Community Church

ECV Joseph Zumwalt Chapter 169: meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at Rose's Island in Esparto. Must be a Clamper. 681-3412 for info.

**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 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m.

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

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 2nd Wednesday at the Chamber Office on Yolo Avenue unless it is a mixer. (787-3242)

Esparto Unified School Board Meeting: meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. at Alice Marsh Hall.

Esparto Writers' Group: meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Library at 6:00 p.m.

FFA Parents: meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Ag classroom at the high school.

Food and Clothes Closet: open on Wednesdays & Fridays at Countryside Community Church. Contact RISE Inc. at 787-4110 for information.

**Friends of Esparto Regional Library Board of Directors' Meeting:** meets on the first Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Library.

Home Schooling Cooperative: Call Elvira Paoletti at 796-4676.

Legal Services in Esparto: free services offered on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at the RISE office from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

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

Madison Advisory Committee: 4th Thursday 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.

MEDI-CAL and Food Stamps Services: Wednesday 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the RISE Inc. office. Call 787-4110 for appointments.

New Life Christian Center: Sunday Service at 11:00 a.m. with Junior Church on the 1st and 3rd Sundays for ages 5-10. Wednesday Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.

On Fire Fellowship of Esparto: Sunday service at 11:00 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.

St. Martin's Church: Spanish Mass: 7:00 p.m. on Saturday; English Mass: 8:30 a.m. on Sunday at St. Martin's Church on Grafton Street

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

WYORCA: meets on the 2nd Thursday from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. at the Esparto Library.

**RISE Collaborative Meeting:** meets the 3rd Friday at 9:00 a.m. at the RISE building (except August).

Yolo County WIC Services: located in the Esparto Library at 17065 Yolo Ave. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 8:00-4:30 p.m. (Call (530) 666-8445)

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

If you would like to include calendar events or change information, please e-mail the editor of the Valley Voice at valleyvoice2@hotmail.com or call 787-4110.

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