Esparto High School had their prom at the Vacaville Opera House. For many students prom started in the morning, from getting makeup done to going to a nice place to take pictures. Most students went with groups to get pictures taken around Yolo county. Getting closer to the starting time for prom which was 8 pm, many students went out to eat with friends and their dates. Some students went to Sukura, Olive garden, Raising Canes, Cheesecake Factory and many more. Students had a blast eating out and hanging out with friends telling stories. Getting closer to 8 pm students started to make their way to the Opera house in Vacaville to arrive on time. Once arrived, students would check in with Mrs. Geach and Principle Landeros to mark them off the arrival sheet. As more students arrived, the floor got more and more flooded with people dancing and singing along. The DJ was great, playing many genres of music for everyone's taste. If you weren't dancing you were in line to take pictures at the photo booth where you had a huge selection of masks and objects to enlighten the picture. Many students also took pictures aside from the photo booth picture. You had group pictures and outfit pictures. Students were also inclined to help themselves to the dessert table which offered rice crispy, chocolate covered pretzels, cookies, and a small piece of cheesecake. Don't worry if you were thirsty they had a lemonade and water station to quench their thirst. As the night went along, it was time to vote for Prom king and Prom queen as well as best dressed for the guys and the girls. Once everyone had voted they tallied up the votes and the winners were announced. Prom King was Andrew Dutton and Prom Queen was Ximilatil Navarro. The best dressed awards went to Stephanie Anaya and Juan Diego Heredia. The night continued as some students left, many stayed dancing and just enjoying the moment with the people around them. As 11 pm came around the corner the class of 2023's prom “Night Of Elegance” came to an end.

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Community Schools and Extended Learning
Esparto Scholars Summer Program

By Sherrie Vann
Director of Education Community Schools

We are so excited about our upcoming Esparto Scholars Summer Program! We have a great lineup of classes, activities, and field trips for our students to support and enrich their learning experience. Some popular favorites will be returning including Kuk Sool Won Martial Art Center, Musical Dance Theater with Woodland Opera House, and swim lessons at Tuli Mem Aquatic Center. We will have some fun new additions such as Beatbox from the Department of Sound and culinary classes to introduce cooking skills.

Please make sure you have completed the enrollment form: https://forms.gle/PNkJa4t3p8R7qFtT7 as soon as possible to ensure you have a spot for your child!

There will be three classes a day that are 90 minutes each. After classes end at 2 pm childcare is provided by RISE and students will be able to participate in a variety of activities such as recreational swim time, movies in the air-conditioned high school auditorium, and more! We want to thank our staff and community partners that make the Esparto Scholars Summer Program possible!

Recycling Fundraiser for our Graduating Esparto High School Student Scholarship Fund

Saturday, May 6th
10 AM to Noon
(always the 1st Saturday of the month)

Western Grange Hall
16787 Forest Avenue
Guinda, CA 95637

Important Dates:
June 1 - First Day Esparto Scholars Summer Program
June 19 - No Summer Program Juneteenth
July 3 - No Summer Program
July 4 - No Summer Program Independence Day
July 7 - Last Day of the Esparto Scholars Summer Program

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Dinner starts 5pm
$15
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Proceeds from this event will go to Esparto High Athletic Booster Club to provide uniforms, equipment, etc. for our local high school athletes
Last day of School means the First Day of Pool!

The 2023 swim season at Tuli Mem Park Aquatics Center will kick off on Friday May 26th at noon-4pm, with free entrance to all patrons! We will offer healthy snacks, free prizes such as swim goggles and pool toys, and more! Come celebrate the last day of school and the first day of the pool season at Tuli Mem Park!

The YMCA is still recruiting lifeguards and swim instructors for the summer 2023 swim season. Please contact Jaime Lopez for details (jlopez@webbk12.org or 916-759-6627). Many of you may know Jaime from last season and we are so happy to have him return as our pool manager! Jaime and the Esparto Unified School District will also run the free Summer Quest programs at the pool, ensuring our kids all learn to swim.

The Western Yolo Recreation Center (WYORCA) is pleased to announce recreation swim will be free every Wednesday evening from 3-7pm, and on Sundays from 11am-4pm. We are also planning to subsidize senior water yoga classes and other swim programs. Visit www.tulimempark.com in the coming weeks for more information on programs, swim lessons by the YMCA, and pool hours.

You may also notice the construction of our new shade structure in the park’s picnic area. Thanks to the Yoche Dehe Doyutsu T’eskxiana Award and funds from Yolo County we were able to fund the construction of this shade structure. Last year the Board of Supervisors awarded Tuli Mem Park American Rescue Plan funds to improve park features. WYORCA is currently working with Yolo County to build additional park features such as a playground and picnic area improvements.

Finally, WYORCA would like to acknowledge the tireless work of Trini Campbell as a board member for the last several decades. Tuli Mem Park would not exist without Trini’s vision and perseverance.

Thank you Trini for your dedication to our community!

Carine Hines, WYORCA President

Local Firefighter Receives Honorable Mention

Captain Craig Hollis with the Capay Valley Fire District received an honorable mention for the 2022 National Volunteer Fire Council’s (NVFC) Lifetime Achievement Award. This award annually honors those individuals whose remarkable achievements in the fire service and community exemplifies outstanding performance.

Each nominee is judged on the following criteria:

- Nominee has made a major contribution or has achieved significant accomplishments in the volunteer fire service on a local, state, and/or national level.
- Nominee has demonstrated superior dedication to the volunteer fire service and has served as a volunteer firefighter for at least twenty (20) years.
- Nominee has been active in their state firefighters’ association.
- Nominee has demonstrated community impact through the fire service or other volunteer activities.

Captain Hollis has a long history of service as a firefighter. He has served in various capacities during major emergencies and disasters (i.e., Fires, Floods, Earthquakes, Evacuations, etc.). Notable incidents:

- Loma Prieta Earthquake 1989, Oakland Hills Fire
- Storm 1991, Rumsey Canyon Fire 2004, Nunn Fire, Napa CA 2017, County Fire

Captain Hollis has served as the Incident Commander for the California Department of Veteran’s Affairs Headquarters. He is the founder and lead for the Capay Valley Emergency Response Auxiliary and helped found the Capay Valley Fire Safe Council. These are just a few examples of his life of service.

The Capay Valley Emergency Response Auxiliary (CVERA) and Fire Safe Council nominated Captain Hollis for the award with the support of Capay Valley Fire Chief Capitanio and the City of Berkeley Interim Deputy Fire Chief Keith May.

CVERA is proud and honored to work side by side with Captain Hollis and treasure his support and guidance.
Partial Solar Eclipse this year!

This year there will be an Annular Eclipse which will be seen as a Partial Eclipse visible in Northern California. This eclipse will be solar in nature. About 85% of the sun will be covered by the moon as seen by us. The eclipse will occur on the morning of Saturday October 14th. The event will take about two + hours to run its course. It will begin around 8:00 and end around 10:40 in the morning. Solar filtered eye wear (Eclipse Glasses or Solar Telescope) will be needed to view this event. As always, weather permitting.

Submitted by Clarence Underwood
Rise Valley Senior Program

Oh, what a busy few months it has been! RISE Valley Seniors are looking forward to warmer weather and the opportunity to go more places and do more things.

Some of the activities in our future include a Book Club which will be hosted by Andrea from the Esparto Library. The first book we are reading is, "The 100 Year Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared." You are invited to join us! Contact Tina at Rise Inc at 530-787-4110 to borrow a copy of the book and start your reading journey. Our next meeting is May 23rd at 10:00 a.m. at RISE 17317 Fremont St. in Esparto.

Love to cook? Don't like to cook? Want to eat healthy but struggle with finding recipes that actually taste good? You will want to join RISE Valley Seniors as we begin Cooking Matters. Cooking Matters is a free program for seniors which teaches how to shop for and prepare healthy and tasty meals on a limited budget. Participants receive a free bag of groceries after each class. The class is being taught in both English and Spanish. Our first class begins May 6th at 9:30 a.m. Call 530-787-4110 ext. 209 for more information.

Diabetes Empowerment Education Program (DEEP) series helps people with pre-diabetes, diabetes, relatives, and caregivers gain a better understanding of diabetes self care. These FREE Classes begin August 24th from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

On Thursday, May 11th at 10 a.m. we will welcome Danielle from The Neptune Society who will share with us about cremation. Lunch will be provided. This will be a very informative presentation with opportunity to ask questions.

Did you know that Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance Food Truck comes to the RISE Senior Program the 3rd Thursday of the month and provides two free nutritious meals to people with disabilities, older adults and their caregivers? Each month they provide one hot meal and one cold meal to enjoy later. All at no cost to participants. Don't have a way to pick up your meal? Healthy Aging Alliance will deliver. Call Tina to sign up 530-787-4110 ext 209

Friday May 19th RISE Valley Seniors are going to Capay Valley Lavender farm for a tour of its beautiful grounds. We can't wait to visit and a little birdie told me that there will be scones! Yum! We are looking forward to this excursion. Its a great way to get out and enjoy the area and businesses around us.

Wednesday Walkers! Have you seen our posts on Facebook or seen our ad in the Valley Voice? Every Wednesday, RISE Valley Seniors meet at 8:30 a.m. at Tule Mem Park to walk on the beautiful path there. Its a great walking group. People can go at their own pace. Some people walk part of the path. Some people walk their dogs. (dogs on leash). You can walk and have the peace of mind knowing that someone is there to walk with you or just be there if you are uncomfortable walking alone.

All the above mentioned activities came about because participants in our senior group expressed an interest in it. Seniors come together in the RISE Valley Senior Program for friendship, socialization, to learn new things and do things that interest them. Is there something you are interested in doing but don't want to do it alone? Join us at RISE Valley Seniors! We look forward to meeting you!
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Resource & Referral

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We can help with:
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Enrollment Information on Medi-Cal Counseling
Energy/Utility Assistance (CARE/FERA and HEAP programs)
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The Madison Community Committee Food Closet new distribution dates are the second and fourth Monday of each month from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

(Submitted by Rachel de la Cruz)
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Camp Haswell Fundraiser Announced to Preserve WPA-built Cabin on Cache Creek

Cache Creek, Rumsey, CA - Local residents are rallying behind the preservation of the Boy Scout Cabin at Camp Haswell on Cache Creek, which was built in the 1930s by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) using creek stone and mortar. The cabin has become a beloved recreational spot for locals and visitors alike and has withstood floods and severe wind for over 90 years. Recently, the Yolo County Parks and Recreation department took over management of the cabin, and there was talk of demolishing the structure due to a needed roof replacement. However, Matt Gwerder, a young adult resident and licensed building contractor, grew up playing in the cabin and has taken it upon himself to spearhead the preservation project. With approval from Yolo County, Matt is donating his time and expertise to repair the roof and secure the buildings for generations to come. To cover the cost of materials and permits, the Yolo County Historical Society is sponsoring the Camp Haswell Fundraiser. Community members are invited to donate to this worthy WPA project by sending a check made out to the Yolo County Historical Society, with Camp Haswell on the memo line, to PO Box 1447, Woodland, CA 95696. Donations may be tax-deductible, so donors are encouraged to check with their tax preparers. Here's the link for an online donation: https://yolocountyhistoricalsociety.givingfuel.com/camp-haswell-fundraiser. Matt Gwerder, the contractor spearheading the project, said, "For me, keeping our history a part of the present is imperative to keep a strong culture and a gratitude for the past. If you erase history, you erase the future." Huber Roong, another supporter of historic preservation, added, "When you preserve a historic property, you are not just saving wood and bricks, you're saving information about the lives of your ancestors. Historic buildings allow residents and tourists to experience an area cultural history." For more information or to ask any questions, please contact Moira Fitzgerald at tzgerald011@gmail.com.

A Year at a Glance with the Esparto Lions Club

The Esparto Lions Club is part of one of the world’s most well-known volunteer organizations in the world—the Lions Club International Foundation. LCIF has over 1.4 million members across the globe. The organization started in 1917 and continues to embrace the ideas of Kindness Matters and Service to Communities. Through commitment to help meet the needs of others, the Lions Club comes together to support community members in times of need. Our motto is “We Serve” due to our commitment to serve others in need. If anyone is interested in becoming a member of the Esparto Lions Club or finding out more, please contact Esparto Lions Club President Gabe Galvan at gabrielchristophergalvan@gmail.com. Below are some of the annual activities connected to the Esparto Lions Club.

- Submitted by Diana Rowland, Esparto Lion

May:
- Senior Awards in early May, 2 scholarships given at EHS
- Flag Day Presentation at Esparto Elementary School
- OR hold the event in front of the Boy Scout Cabin for the entire community
- Help Leos Club place flags at Esparto cemetery Memorial Day Weekend
- Project Care - Diabetes - Childhood Cancer
- PU101 - to LCI - All Officers

June:
- Installation Dinner for next year's officers

July:
- 105th International Convention (Boston)
Countryside Community Church

Sunday Services
WORSHIP - 9:00 AM • SUNDAY'S TABLE - 10:00 AM
CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:00-10:30 AM
Everyone Welcome!
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(on the corner of Grafton and Fremont streets)
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Upcoming Centennial Events
SATURDAY, MAY 6
A WOMEN'S TEA
Celebrating the women of the circles and community activities over the past 100 years.

TUESDAY, JULY 4
BLOCK PARTY
With hot dogs and watermelon, highlighting the 100 years of Vacation Bible School.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22
COMMUNITY CELEBRATION
With many guests, stories, music and outdoor luncheon.

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Eat Well Yolo Distribution
Esparto

When: 1st and 3rd Thursday
Where: RISE, Inc. office
17313 Fremont St.,
Time: 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

1 PER HOUSEHOLD
Any Family in Esparto or Capay Valley are Welcome!

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Area Food Distributions
RISE, Inc. manages several food distributions each month in Esparto.
(Call RISE office 530-787-4110 for more information)

- Madison Community Committee sponsors a Food Closet in Madison 2x's a month.
  A Food Closet is also held in the Guinda Grange Hall 2x a month (2nd and 4th Mondays)
  Food Bank Give-Away on the 4th Monday of each month
  at the RISE office from 10 am - Noon.
  Free produce distribution on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays
  at the RISE office from 9:30 am - 11 am.
  The Food Closet is open at Countryside Community Church Fridays from 2-5 PM
  The Madison Food Closet is open the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month from 4-5 pm
  to Madison residents.
  Guinda Food Distribution 2nd & 4th Mondays from 10 am - 11 am.
  Free produce, meat, dairy, groceries and dry goods. Held at the Guinda Grange Hall.

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Countryside Community Church Food Distribution on Sundays at 10:00.
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Valley Seniors

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Capay Valley Flora, Fauna and Farm series
Capay Valley Regenerative
Wild Roses of the Capay Valley
By Pamela Bateman

There is a love song about a wild Irish Rose being ‘the sweetest flower that grows’ and our local wild California rose is equally sweet enough to inspire a song. Found growing in moist canyons and along creeks in the Capay Valley is the native California Wild Rose, Rosa californica. Roses evolved sometime between 35-70 million years ago and are endemic to Europe, Asia, and North America. Although the number is debated there are at least 320 different species of wild roses and tens of thousands of rose cultivars. Roses have been cultivated for their beautiful flowers for at least 5,000 years. There are many plants within the rose family, Rosaceae, which are important food plants with edible fruit or nuts including almonds, apples, pears, quince, apricots, peaches, plums, cherries, raspberries, and blackberries among others. All true roses are in the genus Rosa and the wild roses are called species roses. Unlike the showy, many petaled hybrid roses found in retail nurseries the flowers of our local wild rose is 1-2” across with five, softly fragrant, pink petals with yellow central stamens. The foliage is bluish green and the pinnately compound leaves have single toothed leaf margins. Many insects are attracted to the flowers and after pollination the floral cup, also called a hypanthium, will develop into a round fruit called a hip which contains the seeds. The flowers and hips are edible and enjoyed by humans and wildlife. While rose petals from the species roses Rosa damascena and Rosa gallica are distilled to produce rose oil used by the perfume industry, the petals of the California Wild Rose can be added to salads for a floral note and the hips can be made into a tea.

Roses do not have thorns they have prickles which are the superficial outgrowth of the stem. The California Wild Rose forms dense prickly thickets in the shade of oaks, walnuts and buckeyes. It is a deciduous upright growing shrub that stands 3 to 5 feet tall spreading widely and is often found growing among Snowberry and Poison Oak creating an understory that stabilizes the banks of waterways in woodlands. The dense growth of the shrub provides habitat and shelter from predators for small birds and animals. The hips are a nutritionally dense food for birds, squirrels, rabbits, wild game and bears. After a wildfire it has the ability to quickly sprout from underground stems thus offering food and habitat to wildlife before other trees and shrubs can regenerate. The California Wild Rose is an excellent plant choice for a hedgerow because of its quick growth and the benefits it provides wildlife. It is also useful in landscape restoration projects where its roots will bind the soil on a slope or where a barrier plant is needed. When hiking in the Capay Valley look for this beautiful flowering native shrub and when you find it please consider recording the plant’s location on the CalFlora website, calflora.org. This will help others understand the occurrence, habitat and population size of our California Wild Rose.

Seasonal Recipes
Using ingredients sourced from farms in the Capay Valley

Orange Custard Sauce with Mulberries
2 baskets of Mulberries *
1/2 cup cream
1/2 cup whole milk
2 Tablespoons honey
2 egg yolks
Zest from 1 orange

Rinse and drain the mulberries and set aside.

In a heavy saucepan over medium low heat gently warm the cream, milk and honey until the honey dissolves. The cream mixture should be warm but not hot. Remove the pan from the heat and whisk in the egg yolks until thoroughly mixed. Place the pan back over medium heat and with a wooden spoon stir constantly until the mixture thickens and coats the back of the spoon. DO NOT ALLOW THE MIXTURE TO BOIL. Heat slowly so that the eggs do not curdle. If the custard sauce is heating too fast remove it from the heat and keep stirring to keep it smooth. Take the pan on and off the heat to regulate the temperature. When the custard sauce has thickened to the consistency of thick cream remove it from the heat and stir in the orange zest. Let the sauce cool and then pour into a small pitcher. Serve the custard sauce at room temperature or chilled. Orange Custard Sauce is delicious served alongside or drizzled over mulberries or any other fresh fruit like strawberries or peaches. Refrigerate any sauce.

*Note- Mulberries resemble blackberries and are the fruit of the Mulberry tree (Morus). Ripenmulberries can be eaten raw or used in pies, wines, cordials and herbal teas. Mulberries are available from local farms in May and June.

Recipe by Pamela Bateman
COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Please contact the group you are interested in, to see if they are still meeting at this time.

- **AA Meeting:** Tuesday 7:00 pm in the basement of Countryside Community Church in Esparto. 1 hour open.
- **Spanish AA:** Alcoholicos Anonimos: Detras de El Toro. Los lunes, miercles, y viernes a las 7pm-9pm (26628 N. Grafton)
- **Spanish Al-Anon:** Detras de El Toro. Los Martes a las 7pm-8pm
- **Al-Anon:** Countryside Community Church on Tuesday from 7 to 9 pm
- **Calvary Baptist Church:** Meets Sunday's at 11 am at 26479 Grafton St
- **Calvary Baptist Church Community Dinner:** Every Tuesday at 4pm at 26479 Grafton St
- **Capay Valley Christian Fellowship:** 11 am Adult Sunday School; 11:45 am social; 12:10 pm-1:10 pm worship/children's Sunday School at Guinda Community Church
- **Capay Valley Fire Commission Meeting:** 2nd Monday of the month at 6:30 pm - Guinda Fire Station
- **Capay Valley Garden Club:** 4th Wednesdays, 6pm, location varies, see Facebook page for more information
- **Capay Valley General Plan Advisory Committee:** Meets every 1st Wednesday at 7 pm at the Grange Hall in Guinda. Open to all.
- **Capay Valley Science Club:** 4th Mondays @ 6pm. Location varies. See Capay Valley Science Club Google Group for information
- **Capay Valley Vision Board:** Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at Esparto Library @ 6:30 pm. Meetings are OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
- **Cottonwood Cemetery District:** Next meetings will be May 15th & June 19th, 2023 at 9:00 am at Esparto RISE office (17317 Fremont St.)
- **Countryside Community Church:** Sundays at 9:00 am Worship Service & Sunday School
- **Esparto Ag Boosters:** Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6 pm in the AG Department at the high school.
- **Esparto Citizens Advisory Committee Planning Council:** Meets 3rd Tuesday @ 7pm at the Esparto Library
- **Esparto Community Services District:** Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm
- **Esparto Food Distribution:** Open Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9:00 am-5:00 pm Wednesday 2:00pm-6:00 pm & Thursday from 1:00pm-6:00 pm
- **Esparto Food Distribution:** 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month 9:30 am, 4th Monday of the month 10:00 am-12:00 pm. While supplies last.
- **Esparto High School Ag Boosters:** Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 6pm in the AG Classroom at Esparto High School
- **Esparto Lions Club Meeting:** Meets on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays at the BoyScout Cabin. Social hour @5:30 pm, dinner @ 6:00 pm. For Zoom link call (530)787-3892
- **Esparto Lions Club Meeting:** Meets monthly on the 2nd Thursday @ 6:30 pm currently via Zoom. Call (530)787-3242
- **Esparto Lions Club Meeting:** Meets on the 4th Wednesday @ 6:00 pm in room A-7 at Esparto High School
- **Food Distribution at Countryside Community Church:** Fridays 2:00-5:00 pm
- **Friends of the Esparto Regional Library Board of Director Meeting:** The 2nd Wednesday @ 4:00 pm at the Esparto Library (except for July & November)
- **Guinda Community Church:** Sunday Service @ 9:00 am
- **Guinda Food Distribution:** Produce distribution on the 2nd Monday & canned/dried goods on the 4th Monday from 10:00-11:00 am at the Guinda Grange Hall
- **Homeschooling:** Carly Castruita Gordon at (916) 616-5419
- **Madison Advisory Committee:** 4th Wednesday @ 6:00 pm at the Madison Community Services District. No meeting in May, November or December.
- **Madison Community Committee:** 3rd Thursday @ 6:00 pm at the Madison Community Services District
- **Madison Fire Commission Meeting:** 1:00 pm on the 2nd Monday of each month at the Madison Fire Dept. at 17880 Stephens Street.
- **Madison Food Closet:** 2nd & 4th Mondays of each month from 4:00pm-5:00pm at the Madison Community Services District Building.
- **Madison Service District Meeting:** 3rd Thursday @ 6:00 pm in the District office at 28963 Main St. in Madison
- **New Life Christian Center in Madison:** Join the original congregation at Limitless Church in Woodland. Sundays @ 9:00 & 11:00 am 315 Walnut St. Woodland
- **On Fire Fellowship Esparto:** Sunday Service @ 9:00 am-Bible Study Wednesday @ 6:30pm-Youth Group Friday @ 6:30-Ladies: 1st & 3rd Tues @ 6:30pm
- **Rise Collaborative:** 4th Friday of each month at 9:00 am in person @ RISE Inc. Esparto office (17317 Fremont St)
- **RISE Valley Seniors:** Meet Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:00-12:00 pm RISE (17317 Fremont St. Esparto) 1st & 3rd Thursday meet @ BoyScout Hall 17020 Yolo Ave
- **Rumsey Improvement Association:** Monday night Ping Pong, Rumsey Hall @ 6:30 pm. Last 4 Mondays in May then break until fall. All ages and levels welcome.
- **St. Martin's Catholic Mission Church:** English Mass 8:30 am Sundays/ Spanish Mass 7:00 pm on Saturdays at St. Martins Catholic Mission, 25633 Grafton St.
- **Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW):** Western Yolo Post 7143, meets 1st Wednesday each month. At Post home; Orleans St, & St Highway 16
- **Western Yolo Grange:** Meets 3rd Tuesday @ 6:00 pm. Social @ 6:30 pm potluck dinner then meeting. The Grange Hall @ 16787 Forrest in Guinda
- **4-H:** Meets @ 6:30 pm on the 2nd Monday of each month at the Community Center in Esparto