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RISE, Inc has a new After School Program Coordinator

Perla Aguirre has been selected as the new RISE After School Program Coordinator. The appointment comes as a testament to Perla's dedication and passion for the program, where she not only excelled as a participant during her own childhood but also climbed the ranks as a Program Leader.

A true Esparto native, Perla has been an integral part of the RISE program since her early years. Having experienced the positive impacts of the program firsthand, she is committed to giving back to this community through her work at the After School Program.

During her tenure as a Program Leader, she demonstrated a strong dedication to ensuring the safety and well-being of the students always remained the top priority. Her hard work and commitment did not go unnoticed, quickly propelling her to the role of Assistant Coordinator.

Perla's outstanding efforts have now led her to this appointment as the RISE After School Program Coordinator. In her new role, she will play a pivotal role in shaping the experiences of the next generation of Esparto youth, just as the program did for her.

The RISE After School Program, in partnership with the Esparto Unified School District, focuses on providing a safe and enriching environment for students to learn, grow, and develop important life skills. With Perla Aguirre in charge, the community can expect continued excellence and commitment to the program's core values.

RISE, Inc extends its heartfelt congratulations to Perla Aguirre, expressing confidence that her leadership will further elevate the RISE After School Program, making a lasting impact on the lives of local youth.

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Dear Esparto Unified School District Community, Students, and Esteemed Staff,

As we approach the end of another remarkable year, I find myself reflecting on the incredible achievements and growth we have experienced together as a community. It is with great pride and gratitude that I reach out to you in this December newsletter to express my appreciation for your unwavering dedication and support.

Celebrating Achievements:

Academic Pursuit: Our students continue to strive to pursue their learning academically, with improved results in testing, competitions, and various academic pursuits. Your commitment to fostering a culture of learning has truly made a difference in their lives.

Innovative Teaching: Our educators have embraced innovation in teaching, incorporating new technologies and methodologies to enhance the learning experience. The adaptability and creativity demonstrated by our staff have been instrumental in preparing our students for the challenges of the future.

Community Engagement: The collaboration between our schools and the community has strengthened throughout the year. From successful community events to enriching partnerships, we have created a supportive environment that extends beyond the classroom.

Wellness Initiatives: Prioritizing the well-being of our students and staff, we have implemented wellness programs to support mental health and create a positive atmosphere. Your dedication to the holistic development of our community has not gone unnoticed.

Looking Ahead to 2024:

As we turn our gaze toward the future, I am excited about the opportunities that lie ahead. The coming year will bring new challenges, but together, we will continue to overcome them and strive for excellence. Here are some key focus areas for 2024:

Continued Academic Pursuit: Building on our successes, we will work towards further elevating the standard of academic achievement. This includes personalized learning initiatives, professional development for educators, and the implementation of cutting-edge educational technologies.

Innovation and Technology: Embracing the ever-evolving landscape of education technology, we will continue to integrate innovative tools and platforms into our classrooms, ensuring that our students are well-prepared for the digital age.

Community Collaboration: Strengthening our ties with the community remains a top priority. We will explore new ways to engage with parents, local businesses, and community organizations to create a supportive network for our students.

Sustainability and Wellness: In line with our commitment to holistic development, we will focus on sustainability initiatives and further enhance wellness programs. A healthy and sustainable environment is crucial for the well-being of our community.

Closing Thoughts:

As we approach the holiday season, I want to extend my warmest wishes to each member of our Esparto Unified School District family. May this festive season bring joy, peace, and an opportunity to recharge for the exciting year ahead.

Thank you for your continued dedication to excellence. Together, we are shaping the future for our students and leaving a lasting impact on our community.

Wishing you a joyful holiday season and a prosperous New Year!

Sincerely,

Christina Goennier Ed.D.
Superintendent



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The Journey

By Clarence G. Underwood

November 7, the journey begins.
Two solar system objects towards each
Other descend. Moving closer these
Two look like friends. The purpose
Of this trip is to meet in the end!



November 8, they get closer as they
Move through the sky. Depending
Where you are you might ask why?
From Europe and Africa they will put
On a show. On the 9th of November
There, there will be an occultation
You know!



November 9, these two are close as you
Can see. Here in the west there is a space
They leave. Fresh from an occultation there
Abroad. Here we have a simple conjunc-
tionSo everyone applaud.



The moon goes around the earth it is
Only about 240,000 miles away. Venus
The other object is millions of miles away.
Though they look close there in the sky,
They is some actual distance between
Where they lie.

Thank you for Your Donations to the Tuli Mem Park Swim Season

Despite closing for part of the summer, Tuli Mem Park had a wonderful 2023 swim season. Thanks to the wonderful efforts of the Esparto Unified School District and the staff of the YMCA, the pool saw more swimmers than ever before. This is in part due to the community's generous donations to sponsor free swim days for all. As well, the Esparto Unified School District and RISE Inc ran their swim lesson program, teaching students how to swim!

We would like to formally thank all who donated to sponsored recreation swim this season:

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- David Scheuring

This year also saw the installation of a permanent shade structure over the picnic area, which was built from a generous donation from the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation and Yolo County. Over the winter, we are working hard with our partners at Yolo County Parks and Recreation to continue to improve park features that need attention, including fixing the soccer fields, installing an ice machine at the snack bar, planting additional trees, and fixing the softball field. We are also starting plans to build a playground near the picnic area. Stay tuned for more!

Thank you all and Happy New Year 2024!

Carine Hines, WYORCA President

Esparto: A New Season is Born--Chapter 2

New Season intensified a focus on the two key things that came out of planning workshops hosted by Capay Valley Vision. Economic vitality and growth were essential for jobs to keep us vibrant as a community AND Esparto is the commercial hub of the Valley and should be the focus of new development and business.

Looking around the town, we had hopes of becoming the next Winters. But we quickly discovered after a workshop by LAFCO (Local Agency Formation Commission) that we were too small to become incorporated. Incorporation provides benefits of which unincorporated communities are not eligible, particularly funding opportunities. But it also means an incorporated town must provide funding for its own police and fire services and act as a city government. We then asked, where do we go from here?

The Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation had developed an agreement with Yolo County that provided a funding source for both county services and local programs. This fund, called ACTM (Advisory Committee on Tribal Matters) fund, reviewed applications for funding. The committee was made up of appointed county representatives from all of the Supervisors' districts. They had recently moved from one -year funding proposals to three-year funding. The rationale was they saw it as a more efficient way to maximize local organizations work without them constantly chasing funding.

The ACTM awarded New Season a three -year contract to purchase and rehabilitate one of the Esparto commercial buildings. New Season had done its due diligence and felt the Lindberg Building had the most potential. Concurrently, the New Season board members were talking with the McKenzie brothers, owners of Pacific Ace Hardware in Winters and Vacaville, as potential tenants for the building. The building was purchased, and the rehab began under Burton Construction. Pacific Ace hardware signed an agreement to tenant the property and the construction focused on their specifications for a hardware store. An added benefit was the donation of a surplus freight elevator from Cache Creek Casino. New Season was excited for this future but wait! Due to the recession in 2008, Yolo County pulled back the second- and third-year funding! In fact, they pulled back all of the funds prompting the news headline for the Woodland Record to read "County Raids Capay Community Chest."

It was devastating for the organizations in the Valley (more on that story in a future article). New Season was in the middle of rehabilitation without funds to continue. Thanks to New Seasons Board work, proposals for a USDA RBEG grant and a finishing loan from First Northern Bank were funded. Proudly, this is Pacific Ace Hardware in Esparto. In 2018, Pacific Ace Hardware purchased the building outright as it has become an asset from them and for Esparto and the Capay Valley.

Next up: Yolo County- Help and Hinder

To see pictures of this building and learn of its history, see Betsy Monroe's work on the history of the Valley, The History and Stories of the Capay Valley. Next up: Yolo County- Help and Hinder

ECAC UPDATE

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The Esparto Citizens Advisory Committee (ECAC) met October 17 to provide a recommendation on a use permit application for a licensed cannabis operation southwest of Esparto.

The project includes a request to cultivate up to two acres of cannabis canopy and a request for a regional nursery license. The committee recommended denial of the use permit (5-1 vote).

The ECAC meets on the third Tuesday evening of each month, as needed (Currently at the fire station or library conference room). To receive notices of upcoming meetings, including agendas and minutes, you can subscribe via the Yolo County website (<https://www.yolocounty.org/government/advanced-components/subscribe>)

The Esparto Citizens Advisory Committee is appointed by the Board of Supervisors to act as advisors to the Planning Commission concerning land use matters. The opinions expressed by this committee are not necessarily those shared by the Planning, Resources, and Public Works Department.

Submitted by G. Moris, ECAC Secretary





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Esparto Middle School

School Spirit & Leadership Activities

By: Aalaya Thomas, Emily Crowe, Yareli Segura, Esteban Rea, and Jaslyn Lopez
(Esparto Middle School ASB Officers)

Hello! We are excited to share with you how our ASB members, Leadership class, and school staff make our school a safe and fun community for everyone. We recognize that building relationships and having fun at school is just as important as academics. Here are specific ways that we have been trying to make school a more fun place this year: 1) ROARS Tickets, 2) Willy the Wildcat, 3) Dances and Rallies, and 4) Structured Lunchtime Activities. These activities make our school a more fun environment.

At EMS, our behavior expectations are called the ROARS. This stands for Responsible, On Time, Attitude, Respect, and Safety. When students show these qualities in the classroom, or even outside of class, they earn ROARS tickets. They get to spend their tickets on Wednesdays when our students open up the ROARS Market. The market includes cool items that kids can buy with their tickets, like stickers, water bottles, school supplies, croc charms, and healthy snacks. We also have ROARing Students and Staff of the Month videos in which individuals are recognized for demonstrating the ROARS. You may have seen these videos on Facebook or other social media.

We are also excited to announce that we have a new member who has joined our school, and that is our new mascot, Willy the Wildcat. Willy introduced himself to our students during our first school rally this year. He has been attending some of our games and rallies. Willy has brought a lot of joy to our students, who scream in happiness when they see Willy. The best part of this year was seeing the excitement on the Elementary students' faces when they met Willy at the HalloWeen costume parade.

Every two months the ASB class holds a school rally to congratulate sports players and to take a break from class. During our rallies, EMS students come together and interact in activities and games. In addition to our school rallies, the ASB class plans school dances. Our school dances involve fun activities, music, and delicious food. Some examples of activities are basketball, musical chairs, and knock the can. Our leadership class is now busy planning the next rally and school dance.

Something new this year, that we have not had in the past, are structured lunchtime activities. All students are welcome to participate in these games/activities; it's especially great for students who are looking to make new friends. There are a lot of different games that we play, including: UNO, Badminton, Headbands, Sequence games, Frisbee, Hula hoop contest, SpikeBall, Connect More, and Ring Toss. Thank you to Ms. Elizabeth for organizing these games and thinking about the interests of the kids.

In conclusion these are a few things we are doing to increase our school spirit to make our school a more fun place for everyone. We hope that by participating in all of these activities, our students are gaining confidence and happiness within themselves. Let's Go Wildcats!


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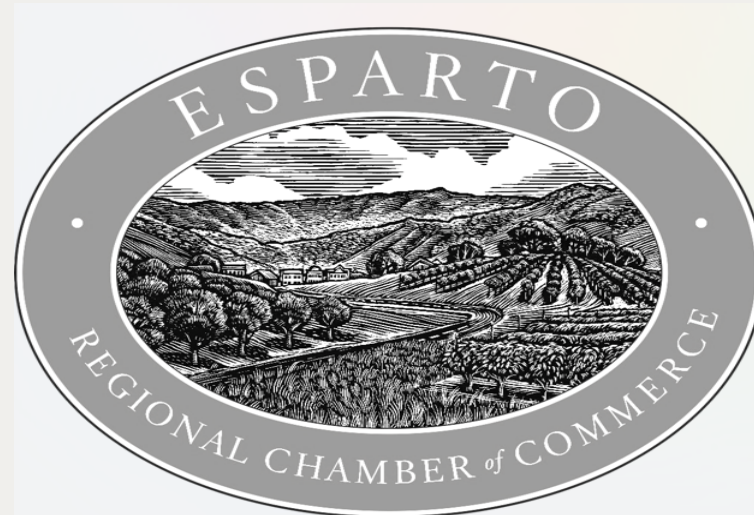
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Chamber Spotlight

Cadena Farms

Rooted in family history, Cadena Farms is an important part of the history of the Capay Valley and Esparto Region. Especially the local organic farming history.

Founded by Ramon and Lucy in 1951, Cadena Farms has a rich history steeped in agricultural tradition. What began as a humble endeavor has blossomed into a thriving 26-acre farm that cultivates a diverse range of crops. Cadena Farm is not merely a business; it's a legacy of stewardship. Passed down through 3 generations, the farm stands as a testament to the enduring values of hard work, dedication, and a profound respect for the land.

More than just a farming; Cadena Farms owner/operator Stephen Gordon also owns and operates Lucy's cafe which serves as a hub for community engagement. Stephen also serves as President of the Esparto Chamber of Commerce.

As Cadena Farms continues to evolve, the family remains committed to innovation and sustainability. Their story is not just about the past but a living narrative that continues to unfold, contributing to the vibrant tapestry of Esparto and the Capay Valley. In every blossom, every flower and every fruit, Cadena Farms weaves a story of resilience, community, and a deep love for the land.

Lucy's is in the heart of Esparto, this family-owned gem continues to be a beacon, inviting all to experience the richness of the Capay Valley. There is a beautiful piece of handcrafted art made from one of the original family almond trees hanging above diners in Lucy's Café.

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Downtown Christmas Festivities December 8

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! The Esparto community is coming together again for a Christmas Tree Lighting and downtown festivities on Friday, December 8th. Join in the fun with your family, friends and neighbors.

The Christmas Tree Lighting will take place in front of the Boy Scout Cabin on Yolo Avenue as usual. Doors open at 6 p.m. The event will feature a Christmas Carol sing-a-long led by Calvary Baptist Church. Lucy's Café will be serving complementary cookies, coffee and cocoa. And our local Esparto High School leaders and clubs will host activities for the children. Santa will arrive in a fire engine to magically LIGHT THE TREE at 6:30! Santa will remain on site after for pictures.

The Esparto Regional Chamber of Commerce is working on making our downtown beautiful and festive with lights and banners for our light posts. Stroll along Yolo Avenue where many downtown businesses will be open before and after the tree lighting for holiday shopping and dinner.

Distinctive Décor/Haven a Boutique will be open extended hours for shopping. Sweetheart Vineyards will be pouring wine and Wendi Locatelli, an Esparto resident, will be signing and selling the children's book she has written.

Weather permitting there will be also be a vendor market outside for celebrants to buy holiday gifts from local craftspersons/artisans





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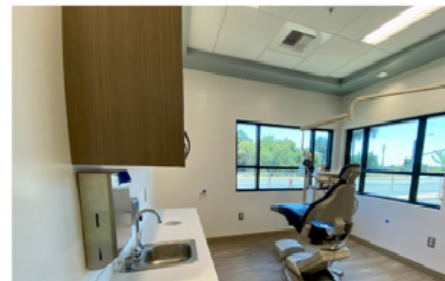
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Capay Valley Flora Fauna and Farm Capay Valley Regeneration Group Soil- An Overlooked World by Pamela Bateman

A popular saying is 'you can't tell a book by its cover' now imagine trying to understand the world of soil by just looking at its surface. And yet that is what many of us do every day when we assume we can abuse soil without any consequences. We have cleared the land of vegetation, drained the low areas, changed the course of waterways, planted monocultures, spread herbicides to kill all unwanted plants, disturbed the soil with tillage and left it bare to bake in the hot summer sun. But if we stop to consider and educate ourselves about what is below the soil surface we will discover a fantastic world full of diverse life forms, shared resources, soil structures that enable the movement of air and water, chemical communication networks, and intimate relationships between life below the soil and plants above ground that need these life forms to thrive.

Soil is a biological community that may have over 100,000 different types of organisms living there. These life forms vary in size from burrowing rodents such as moles and gophers, to termites, beetles, spiders, and continuing to microorganisms such as bacteria, fungi, protozoa, and algae. A small amount of soil may contain up to one billion bacteria and 100-200 species of fungi. The organisms consume and recycle plant material providing nutrients for plants.

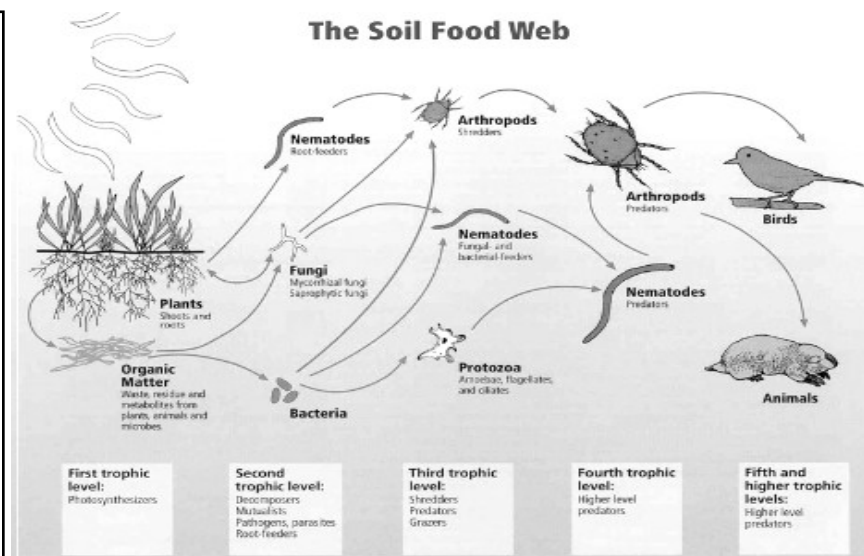
Almost all plants have symbiotic relationships with soil microorganisms exchanging plant exudates for nitrogen, minerals and water in the soil.

Soil bacteria release a sticky substance that glues soil particles together to create microaggregates and fungi create net like hyphae that bind these aggregates into a porous soil structure that allows for the movement of air, water, plant roots, and microorganisms within these soil 'highways'. The film around soil particles contain microfauna and mesofauna live in the soil pores or airspaces. Water is important to all living life forms and a healthy soil with good soil structure and a diverse biological community can hold 20 times its weight in water. In light of this new scientific soil research farmers are now being advised to, among other things, reduce or eliminate tillage that damages the soil structure and to refrain from leaving the soil bare which increases the soil temperature to damaging levels for the life forms below the surface.

Biodiversity focused farming can encourage the relationships between soil organisms and plants. The more diverse the plants and crops that are grown on farm land the more diverse the organisms in the soil. With respect for the soil biota farmers can develop long term plans

that benefit both the soil and agriculture. Soil microorganisms need living plant material and the remains of plants and animals for nutrition and plants need a diverse community of soil organisms for optimum growth. This article only briefly touches on the relationships we need to form with this overlooked world within the soil. For more information please see Soil Biodiversity in California Agriculture by the California Department of Food and Ag and the Belowground Biodiversity Advisory Committee July 2023

https://www.cdffa.ca.gov/oefi/biodiversity/docs/Soil_Biodiversity_California_Ag_July_2023.pdf



Seasonal Recipes

Using ingredients sourced from farms in the Capay Valley
Pamela Bateman

HOLIDAY POMEGRANATE ORANGE TEA

Dried or fresh mint leaves

Pomegranate juice *

Orange wedges with rind *

Honey to taste (optional)*

This recipe uses ingredient amounts entirely suited to your taste.

Pour boiling water into tea pot and add dried or fresh mint leaves and a wedge of orange and allow to steep for a few minutes.

Strain into tea cup. Add a little pomegranate juice to give the tea a nice color.

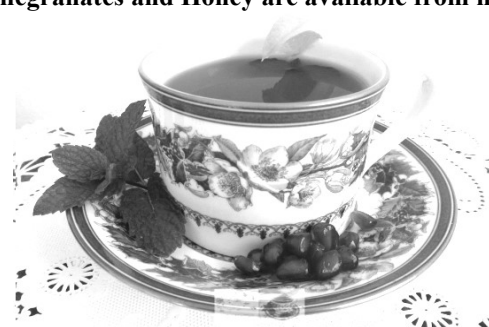
Gently squeeze a few drops of orange juice from another wedge into the the tea cup and garnish the rim of the tea cup with the orange.

Add optional honey to sweeten.

The mint leaves can be substituted with an herb of your choice.

*Note

Oranges, Pomegranates and Honey are available from many Capay Valley Farms.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

AA Meeting: Tuesday at 7 pm in the basement of the Countryside Community Church in Esparto. 1 hour open.

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

Spanish AI-Anon: Spanish AI-Anon: Detrás de El Toro (26628 N. Grafton). Los Martes a las 7 pm - 8:30 pm.

AI-Anon: Countryside Community Church on Tuesday from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church: Meets Sunday's at 11 am at 26479 Grafton Street.

Calvary Baptist Church Community Dinner: Every Tuesday at 4 pm located at 26479 Grafton Street, Free, Everyone Welcome.

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 the Guinda Community Church.

Capay Valley Fire Commission Meeting: Meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Guinda Fire Station.

Capay Valley Garden Club: 4th Wednesdays, 6 pm, 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, 6 pm, location varies. See Capay Valley Science Club" Google Group for information.

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

Cottonwood Cemetery District: The cottonwood cemetery board will not meet in December but will hold their next meeting on Jan.22,2024.

Countryside Community Church: Sundays at 9 am Worship Service and 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 at 7 pm at the Esparto Regional Library.

Esparto Community Services District: Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The Board meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month

Esparto Food Distribution: Esparto Food Distribution 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month from 9:30 am - Supplies Last and 4th Monday of the month 10 am - noon.

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 Boy Scout Cabin Social hour at 5:30 pm, 6 pm Dinner, For Zoom link, please call (787-3892)

Esparto Regional Chamber of Commerce: Meets monthly on the 2nd Thursday at 6:30 pm, currently via Zoom. (For Zoom Link, please call (787-3242))

Esparto Unified School Board Meeting: Meets on the 4th Wednesday at 6 pm in Room A - 7 at the High School.

Esparto Fire Commissioners Meeting: Meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6 pm at the Esparto Fire Station.

Food Distribution at Countryside Community Church: Fridays: 2 pm - 5 pm.

Friends of Esparto Regional Library Board of Directors' Meeting: The 2nd Wednesday at 4 pm (except for July and November) at the Library

Guinda Community Church: Sunday Service at 9 am

Guinda Food Distribution: 9:30-10:15am on the second and fourth Monday of each month. 10 am - 11 am at the Guinda Grange Hall.

Homeschooling: Carly Castruita Gordon at (916) 616-5419.

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

Madison Community Committee: 3rd Thursday at 6 pm at the Madison Community Services District.

Madison Fire Commissioners Meeting: 1 pm on the 2nd Monday of each month at the Madison Fire Department at 17880 Stephens Street.

Madison Food Closet: Open the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month from 4 pm to 5 pm at the Madison Community Services District Building

Madison Service District Meeting: 3rd Thursday at 6:00 p.m. in the District office at 28963 Main Street in Madison.

New Life Christian Center in Madison now Limitless Chuech in Woodland CA

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

RISE Collaborative Meeting: 4th Friday of each month at 9 am. Meeting held in-person at the RISE, Inc Esparto Office (17317 Fremont Street).

RISE Valley Seniors: Meet Tuesdays & Thursdays at the RISE office **17340 Yolo Ave** 9 am - noon.

Rumsey Improvement Association: (RIA) All are welcome First-Monday-of-the-Month Potluck 6:00 at Rumsey Town Hall

St. Martin's Catholic Mission Church: English Mass: 8:30 am on Sundays; Spanish Mass: 7 pm on Saturdays at St. Martin's Catholic Mission, 25633 Grafton St.

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) : Western Yolo Post 7143, meets 1st Wednesday each month, at Post Home, Orleans St. and Highway 16.

Western Yolo Grange: Meets on the 3rd Tuesday at 6 pm social, and 6:30 pm potluck dinner and meeting at the Grange Hall at 16787 Forrest in Guinda.

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

Quilting Class Every Wednesday evening from 6-8 PM Located in the Upstairs Room above the Social Hall at Countryside Community Church, corner of Grafton and Fremont.

Everyone Welcome! Master Quilters, Laurie Hayes and Cindy Brock welcome quilters of any skill level to come work on existing projects or start to learn to quilt.