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Esparto Fire Protection District
Awarded $57,000 Grant for New Emergency Response Equipment

Esparto, Calif. – Esparto Fire Protection District announced today that it has received a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to purchase new extrication equipment. Known as the “jaws of life,” first responders use these specialized tools to safely reach crash victims faster.

"Securing this grant funding is a major milestone for our department and the residents we serve," said Esparto Fire Protection District Fire Chief Curtis Lawrence. "In critical rescue situations where every second counts, our firefighters need the most reliable equipment available. This modern gear provides critical, time-saving advantages that allow us to extricate and treat crash victims much faster, giving them the best possible chance at a positive outcome."

Post-crash care is vital to saving lives. Delays in providing critical care impacts survival chances. Between 2019 and 2023, 43% of people killed in crashes nationally were still alive when first responders arrived. New hydraulic rescue tools will reduce the time it takes to access crash victims and help first responders deliver life-saving measures for
patients trapped in vehicles.

“When crashes happen, time is of the essence to save lives,” OTS Director Stephanie Dougherty said. “By equipping first responders with the right tools, we’re helping crash victims get to critical care faster and significantly increase their chance of survival.”

The grant program runs through September 2027.

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Submitted by: Curtis Lawrence

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Friends of the Esparto Regional Library

CHILDREN'S SHOPPING DAY DONATIONS

Help the children of the Valley put something under the tree for every member of their family!

Donation boxes will be at local businesses in Mid-November.

Thank you for sharing new or gently used items that would make great gifts.

New Living Water Guide to Cache Creek Wetlands and Nature Areas

Have you ever wondered where to visit the wetland areas along Cache Creek? And what plants and animals you might see there?

YoloSol, a bioregional arts organization, is pleased to announce the publication of a new guide to the ecological and cultural importance of wetlands in the Cache Creek watershed.

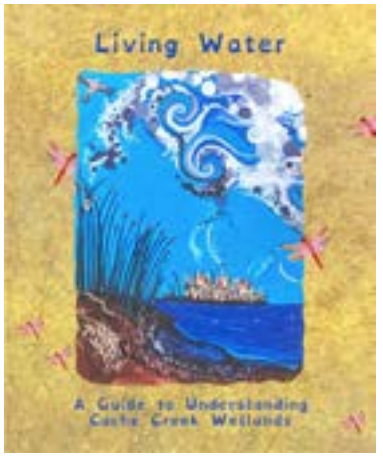
With colorful imagery and original illustrations by Native artists Diana Almendariz and her daughter Ooti Maxine, the Living Water guide brings to life the special relationship that Native Californian people have had with the valley's wetland environments since time immemorial. Native plants such as tule — a long, green reed — are still used to build boats, baskets, mats, dolls and other cultural items.

Wetlands are our first line of defense against a rapidly changing climate. Restoring wetlands can help protect communities from extreme weather like El Nino storms, heat waves and droughts.

Pick up a copy of the Living Water guide available in English and Spanish at RISE Inc, in the Capay Valley Health & Community Center (17340 Yolo Avenue, Esparto) or the Esparto Public Library, which also offers Nature Explorer Backpacks. Plan a visit to a nearby nature area from the map included in the Living Water guide.

The guide was supported by the Yolo County Sustainability Division to implement the Yolo County Climate Action Plan. Esparto high school students in Wayne Hall's multimedia arts classes also helped to create this beautiful new community resource.

Contact info@yolosol.org for more information and to order bulk copies.





Things to Do in November During Fall!

November is the perfect time to enjoy the beauty of fall, spend time with loved ones, and make wonderful memories!

Here are some fun activities to try this month:

🍁 **Enjoy a Fall Walk** – Take a walk and admire the beautiful autumn colors and crisp fall air.

🎃 **Visit a Pumpkin Patch** – Enjoy seasonal treats, take pictures, and soak up the last of the fall festivities.

🥧 **Bake Fall Treats** – Make homemade pumpkin pie, apple crisp, or your favorite fall desserts.

🍎 **Go Apple Picking** – Visit a local farm or farmers market and enjoy fresh seasonal produce.

🦃 **Prepare for Thanksgiving** – Plan your menu, decorate your home, and spend time with family and friends.

☕ **Enjoy a Cozy Day** – Grab your favorite warm drink, curl up with a good book, or watch a fall movie.

🍂 **Get Creative** – Make fall crafts, create a Thanksgiving centerpiece, or decorate your home with autumn leaves.

🚜 **Shop Local** – Visit local farmers markets, small businesses, and community events to support your local community.

❤️ **Give Back** – Donate food, volunteer, or help a neighbor during this season of gratitude.

Helping Our Children Grow Through Everyday Challenges. As we enter November, I want to thank our Esparto Elementary families for their continued support. As a principal, I believe one of the most important things we can do together is help our children become confident, responsible, and resilient.

Growing up isn't always easy. Children will make mistakes, struggle with schoolwork, and experience disagreements with friends. While our first instinct may be to fix things for them, sometimes the best thing we can do is listen, guide them, and give them an opportunity to work through challenges. When your child comes home upset, try asking, "What happened?" or "What could you do differently next time?" These simple conversations help children learn to solve problems, take responsibility, and build confidence.

As we approach Thanksgiving, I encourage families to celebrate not only their children's accomplishments but also their effort, kindness, and progress. At Esparto Elementary, we will continue focusing on positive relationships, attendance, and academic growth. Thank you for being our partners in this important work.

Wishing all our families a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Dr. Lorena Lopez
Principal, Esparto Elementary School

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Ayudando a nuestros hijos a crecer ante los desafíos cotidianos. Al comenzar noviembre, quiero agradecer a nuestras familias de la Escuela Primaria de Esparto por su apoyo constante. Como directora, creo que una de las cosas más importantes que podemos hacer juntos es ayudar a nuestros hijos a desarrollar confianza, responsabilidad y la capacidad de superar las dificultades.

Crecer no siempre es fácil. Los niños cometen errores, tendrán dificultades con sus tareas y enfrentarán desacuerdos con sus compañeros. Aunque nuestro primer impulso sea resolverles los problemas, a veces lo mejor que podemos hacer es escucharlos, orientarlos y darles la oportunidad de enfrentar sus propios desafíos. Cuando su hijo llegue a casa molesto, intente preguntarle: "¿Qué pasó?" o "¿Qué podrías hacer diferente la próxima vez?" Estas conversaciones sencillas ayudan a los niños a resolver problemas, asumir responsabilidades y desarrollar confianza en sí mismos.

Al acercarnos al Día de Acción de Gracias, los invito a reconocer no solo los logros de sus hijos, sino también su esfuerzo, amabilidad y progreso. En la Escuela Primaria de Esparto, continuaremos enfocándonos en las relaciones positivas, la asistencia escolar y el aprendizaje. Gracias por trabajar junto a nosotros en esta importante labor.

¡Les deseo a todas nuestras familias un feliz Día de Acción de Gracias!

Dra. Lorena Lopez
Directora, Escuela Primaria de Esparto

Esparto Middle School - Principal Kullar

As we enter November, I am incredibly proud of the hard work, growth, and school spirit we continue to see at Esparto Middle School. Our students have had a busy fall filled with learning, athletics, leadership opportunities, and schoolwide activities that help make EMS a special place to learn and grow. We are currently in the middle of our basketball and wrestling seasons, and our boys and girls are working hard, representing Esparto with pride both on and off the court and mat. Our 6th graders are also busy fundraising for their upcoming science camp, and we encourage our community to support their efforts whenever possible. We are very grateful for the continued support of our families, staff, PTO, and community members who help make these opportunities possible for our students. As we head into the holiday season, we will continue to focus on academic success, positive relationships, and our ROARS expectations while encouraging our Wildcats to finish the semester strong. On behalf of everyone at Esparto Middle School, I wish our families and community a wonderful Thanksgiving and thank you for your continued partnership and support of our students. Go Wildcats!

Esparto High School - Principal Tamayo

November is a month of transition at Esparto High School. As the weather begins to change and we move from fall sports into our winter sports season, our students and staff are preparing for a busy stretch before the end of the semester. Our winter sports include boys' and girls' basketball, soccer, and wrestling. We encourage our community to come out and support our Spartan student-athletes. November is also an important time for academics as students prepare for final exams in December. We encourage families to continue checking on their students' academic progress and reminding them to finish the semester strong.

On November 11, we recognize Veterans Day and take a moment to honor the brave men and women who have served our country. We extend our sincere appreciation to all veterans in our local community for their service and sacrifice. We are also hopeful that our new HVAC system in the EHS gym will be completed soon. This will be the first time our gym has had air
conditioning, a much-needed improvement that will benefit our students, athletes, and community for years to come.

As we approach Thanksgiving Break, November 23–27, we are reminded that November is also a month to give thanks. At EHS, we are especially grateful for our families and community members who continue to support our students and take an active role in their education. Your involvement makes a difference, and we appreciate the partnership we share in helping our students succeed. From all of us at Esparto High School, we wish our community a wonderful Thanksgiving. Go Spartans!

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YCOE, RISE Inc. and Woodland Community College to Host Free 'Cash for College' Workshops

Free Workshops to Help Yolo County High School Seniors and Families Complete Financial Aid Applications

Woodland, CA - The Yolo County Office of Education (YCOE), Woodland Community College (WCC) and RISE Inc. are partnering to offer free "Cash for College" workshops for Yolo County high school seniors and their families.

The seven workshops will provide hands-on assistance completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act Application (CADAA), which students use to apply for financial aid for college and other postsecondary education.

The workshops will give students and families an opportunity to get questions answered, receive one-on-one assistance and learn more about financial aid resources that can help make college more affordable. Students do not need to have started their application before attending.

The partners are offering seven "Cash for College" workshops throughout Yolo County:

- Davis Senior High School – Tuesday, October 6, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- River City High School (West Sacramento) – Thursday, October 15, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- Capay Valley Health and Community Center (Esparto) – Tuesday, November 3, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- Pioneer High School (Woodland) – Tuesday, November 17, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- Woodland High School – Wednesday, December 2, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- Esparto High School – Tuesday, February 2, 2027, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- Winters High School – Date and time to be announced

Students and families are encouraged to attend a workshop even if they have not yet started their financial aid application. No advance registration is required.

The FAFSA or CADAA must be submitted by March 2, 2027, for students to be considered for California state financial aid, including the Cal Grant and Middle Class Scholarship. Completing the application can also help students access other federal, state and institutional financial aid.

According to the California Student Aid Commission, 69.7% of Yolo County high school seniors completed a FAFSA or CADAA last year, compared with 70.8% of high school seniors at California public schools statewide.

"By offering these free workshops, we are helping to ensure all students have access to the financial resources they need for college and career success," said County Superintendent Garth Lewis. "We want students and families to know that help is available and that completing a financial aid application is an important step toward making higher education more accessible."

Students attending a workshop should bring the following documents, if available:

- 2025 tax information, including 1040 and W-2 forms
- Driver's license
- Social security card
- Most recent bank statements
- List of colleges of interest
- Records of untaxed income

The workshops are offered in partnership with the California Student Aid Commission and the Sacramento Cal-SOAP Consortium.

For more information, visit the Yolo County Office of Education website at www.ycoe.org.



Capay Valley Almond Festival returns for 112th year in 2027

The almond bloom will soon return to the Capay Valley, bringing with it a tradition that has connected generations of residents, farmers, families and visitors. The 112th Capay Valley Almond Festival is set for Feb. 27-28, 2027, and the Winters Express is partnering with the Capay Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce to looking back at the memories that have helped make the annual celebration a regional favorite.

First held in 1915, the festival began as a celebration of the area's almond harvest. The original two-day event included a Saturday parade and Sunday festivities, with the Almond Queen taking a central role in the celebration. The festival was suspended during World War II and revived by the local chamber of commerce in 1964. Organizers later shifted the celebration to late February to coincide with the almond blossoms that transform the valley each year.

More than a century later, the festival continues to celebrate the region's agricultural heritage, small-town communities and the people who make the Capay Valley special.

The festivities traditionally extend along Highway 16, connecting communities from Esparto through Capay, Brooks and Guinda to Rumsey. Visitors can explore local food, arts and crafts, music, family activities and other offerings while taking in the seasonal landscape. Each community brings its own character to the weekend, giving visitors plenty of reasons to slow down, explore and discover something new along the way.

Additional details about the 2027 festival schedule and activities are expected as the event approaches.

Help preserve the festival's history

As preparations begin for the next celebration, the Winters Express is inviting readers to share their Capay Valley Almond Festival memories.

Perhaps your family has attended for generations. Maybe you remember a favorite parade, the Almond Queen pageant, a booth you visited every year or a special meal shared with friends. You might have a photograph of your children attending their first festival, a picture of a long-ago community float or a snapshot of relatives who helped make the event happen.

Those memories offer a glimpse into the festival's history beyond the dates and activities recorded in event programs. They also help document how the celebration has changed — and which traditions continue to bring people together.

Readers are encouraged to share their stories through an online form created by the Winters Express. Memories from longtime residents, former attendees and newer festivalgoers are welcome.

Photographs from past festivals are especially encouraged. Readers can email images to news@wintersexpress.com with “Almond Festival Memories” in the subject line. Please include any names, approximate dates, locations or other details that could help identify the people and places pictured.

The newspaper hopes to share some of these memories and photographs in its special edition celebrating the 2027 festival. Submissions may be considered for publication in print, online or on social media, with permission and verification as needed.

Whether it is a decades-old family photograph or a recent memory of walking among the blossoms, every contribution can help tell the story of a tradition that has endured for generations.



Mark your calendar for Feb. 27-28, 2027, and join the celebration. In the meantime, dust off those old photographs, ask a relative about their favorite festival memory and help the Winters Express and the Capay Valley Regional Chamber preserve the stories behind the Capay Valley's beloved annual tradition.

To share a memory, visit https://forms.gle/fzztbvNQev6YiBqy8 or email news@wintersexpress.com.

Seasonal Recipes
Using ingredients sourced from the Capay Valley
From the kitchen of Pamela Bateman

Curried Egg Salad

12 hard boiled eggs peeled and diced
1 small red onion chopped
3 celery stalks chopped
1/2 cup raisins
1/2 cup cashews chopped
1/4 cup chives chopped
Salt to taste

Dressing
1/3 cup mayonnaise
1/3 cup plain whole milk yogurt
1 tablespoon honey or more to taste
2 to 3 teaspoons curry powder more or less to taste

In a large bowl combine the hard boiled eggs, red onion, celery, raisins, cashews, chives and salt.
In a small bowl combine the dressing ingredients and pour over the egg salad mixture. Mix well and adjust for seasoning. If the salad seems too dry add some more mayonnaise and yogurt. Chill and serve cold on lightly toasted slices of French bread.

This is a perfect recipe for using the abundance of eggs from your spring chicks that are starting to lay. The honey and raisins give a mild sweetness to the salad.



Capay Valley Flora, Fauna and Farms
By Pamela Bateman

Vinegar

Vinegar, like wine and beer, has been brewed for thousands of years for culinary and medicinal use. The first documented production of vinegar was by the Babylonians 3000 BCE. Today vinegar can be manufactured in a few days but true culinary vinegar with various depths of flavor has a production time that ranges from a month to several years.

The origin of the word vinegar is from Old French vyn egre meaning sour wine. By leaving wine exposed to air over time Acetobacter bacteria, which are airborne and ubiquitous in nature, will convert the wine to vinegar. However a controlled system of conversion is used when brewing. The basic vinegar making process is called a double fermentation because it begins with converting the sugars in fruit, such as grapes, into alcohol and then turning the alcohol, with the assistance of Acetobacter, into acetic acid or vinegar. Bacteria such as Acetobacter were formerly classified as plants in the class of Schizomycetes “fission fungi” but are now classified as Prokaryotes. Thus they are neither flora nor fauna. Bacteria are single-celled microorganisms that reproduce asexually via binary fission. Bacteria can form microbial mats and this is exactly what happens in the production of vinegar when the Acetobacter develops a cellulose-rich culture of acetic acid bacteria and yeast that results in a jelly like layer called the vinegar mother.

Vinegar can be made from grains such as rice, corn, malted barley, wheat, millet and sorghum or a combination of grains. Fruit vinegars can be produced from most fruits including grapes, apples, pears and coconut. Sugarcane, a tropical grass, can also be used in vinegar production. Herbs, roses, or vanilla are sometimes added to vinegar. Each ingredient gives the vinegar a unique taste. Balsamic vinegar is a sweet vinegar that uses the stems, skins, seeds and juices from grapes. Traditional Italian balsamic vinegar has a protected legal status for vinegar produced in the Modena and Reggio Emilia area of Italy. These vinegars are aged in wood barrels and may take 12 to 25 years to produce resulting in a dark, sweet, syrupy vinegar. Less expensive non-traditional balsamic vinegars are available and may have sweeteners and coloring added to plain wine vinegar.

Vinegar is used in cuisines worldwide and has many culinary uses from salad dressings, pickling, tenderizing meat, health tonics, fermented drinks and is an important ingredient in many sauces and condiments. Home production of vinegar from our local Capay Valley fruits is a worthwhile project. There are numerous books on how to make vinegar at home and many videos on Youtube. With just a few simple tools and several weeks of brewing you can make unique Capay Valley vinegar to add to your cuisine. For a short Youtube video on making vinegar see DIY Scrap Apple Cider Vinegar - Simple Fermentation from -Fairyland Cottage. For a discussion about how to use different vinegars in cooking please see The Magic of Vinegar: How this Essential Ingredient Transforms Cooking from the award-winning food blog- Drizzle and Drip - drizzleanddrip.substack.com.



Summer and Fall Esparto FFA Update

Congratulations to our FFA members for their accomplishments during Yolo County Fair week! Our Livestock Show Team hit it out of the park this year, and was able to bring home several banners, and ribbons. Madeline Bailey earned Reserve Champion Novice Sheep Showmanship, and Stephanie Junez earned Reserve Champion Novice Beef Showmanship. Betzy Bermudez placed 3rd in Novice Swine Showmanship, while Kamila Moreno placed 4th in Advanced Swine Showmanship. Natali Banuelos earned Reserve Champion Yorkshire, Makenna Carrillo earned Reserve Champion Light Cross, and Mason Mcgregor placed 5th in Novice Sheep Showmanship. We are proud of all our members for their hard work and dedication!

Our Chapter also kicked off the school year with a Back-to-school BBQ meeting! Alumni member Jenny Dutton shared her past experiences and discussed why students should get involved in FFA. Our Meeting Committee Chair, Keyanna Fuentes Flores, and her crew helped serve hot dogs and hamburgers, while students participated in icebreakers to meet new people and build connections within our chapter.

Our Chapter Officers also attended the Chapter Officer Leadership Conference (COLC), where they participated in multiple workshops and a fun lip-sync contest that helped build leadership and teamwork skills. In addition, Camila Galvan, Isabel Prado, John Kitchen, Heidi Mojica, Avery Harvey, Cristofer Garcia, and Camila Moreno attended GLC, where they participated in a variety of workshops and gained valuable experiences to help strengthen their leadership skills

Esparto FFA hosted a festive October meeting featuring a pumpkin painting contest and pizza for students. Members showed off their creativity, and the winners were Natalia Banuelos for most creative, Emiley Gomez for funniest, Jacob Guardado for spookiest, Cassandra Heredia for best artwork, Blanca Angel as Crerar's pick, and Isabelle Mendieta for best overall. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make our chapter activities a success! We look forward to another great year filled with leadership, learning, and opportunities to grow through FFA!

We have also been busy helping support community events. In late June we had a team of students help at the Fireworks Night at Seka Hills. Our Chapter was able to help Seka Hills staff members with the Kids Zone activities which included several crafts and passing out glow sticks as it got dark. Most recently, we helped to support pumpkin carving at Full Belly Farms Annual Hoes Down Farm Festival. Such a fun afternoon spent with young children carving pumpkins and learning about agriculture. We appreciate being able to serve our community and help when needed.

By: Casie Jo Valle, Esparto FFA Reporter

2026-2027 Esparto FFA Officer Team

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2026 Livestock Show Team

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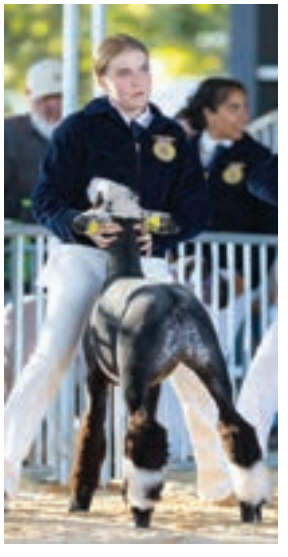








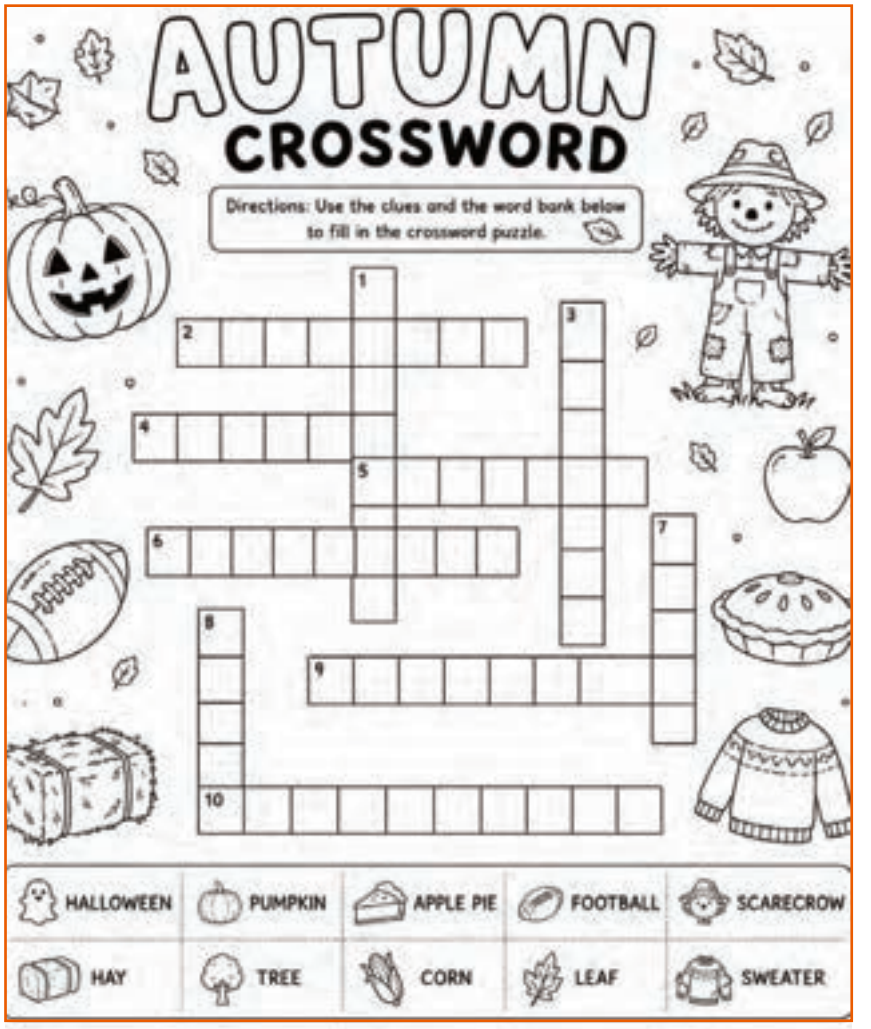




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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS® OF YOLO COUNTY

The League of Women Voters of Yolo County will celebrate its Democracy Works! award winners at a members meeting and brunch on Saturday, Nov. 7.

One winner of this year's Democracy Works! award works in a rural town in western Yolo County. The other is a youth program providing hands-on experience with local government and elected officials. The Democracy Works! award was created 20 years ago to recognize individuals and/or organizations in Yolo County working to "empower voters and defend democracy." Their actions might include encouraging equal representation, promoting free and fair elections, expanding voter education and rights, advocating legislation that promotes democracy and communities, or taking grassroots political action. Nominations are submitted by Yolo County residents.

Crystal Apilado promotes civic engagement in Winters through local journalism, youth programs, and community forums. As editor of the Winters Express, she keeps residents informed about local government and helps young journalists gain experience covering public meetings. She also gives students hands-on experience through the Youth City Council and Youth School Board, helping them understand how local decisions are made. Through candidate and ballot-measure forums, conversations with local leaders, and her work with Girl Scouts, Crystal creates opportunities for residents – now especially young people – to learn about civic issues, participate in their community, and strengthen their understanding of democracy

The other award recipient, the City of Woodland's "Summer at City Hall," promotes civic engagement by giving high school students hands-on experience with local government, elected officials, and community problem-solving. Through student-led projects focused on local issues, participants learn how local government works, see how their ideas can make a difference, and develop practical solutions. With guidance from Eric Buechler and Javier Marin, students build confidence, civic responsibility, and a stronger understanding of how they can contribute to their communities and our democracy.

For more information, visit the League's website at https://lwvyolo.org.

Submitted by: Lorna Carriveau



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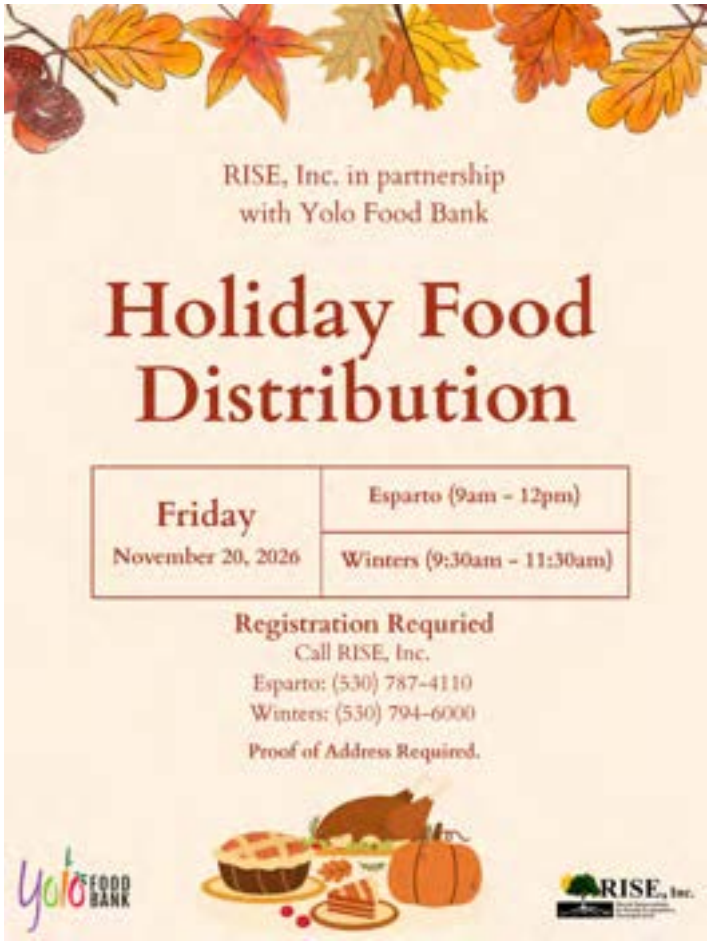


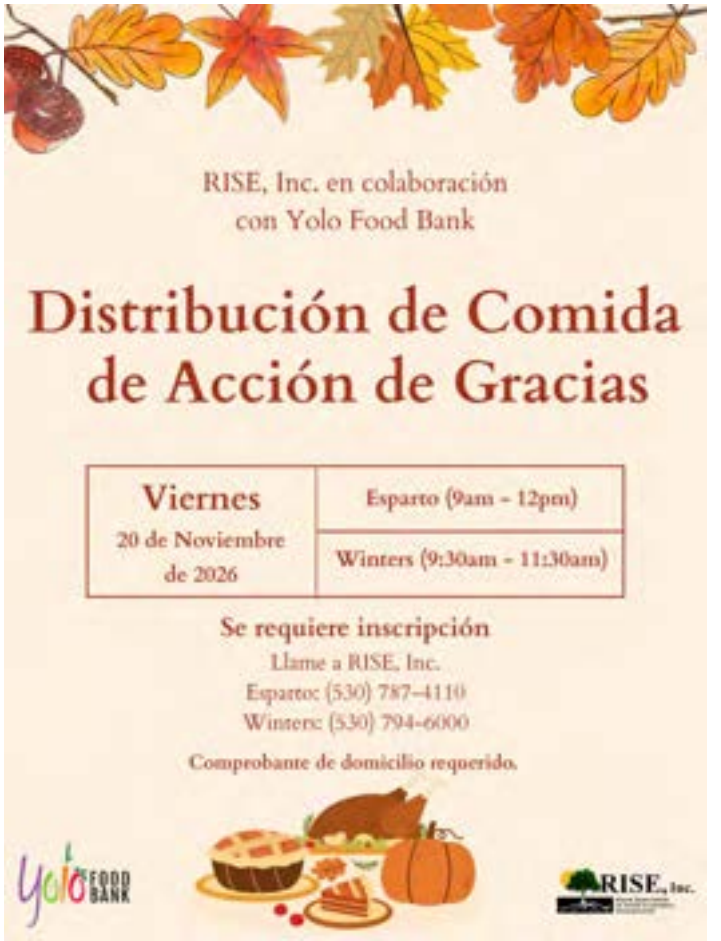
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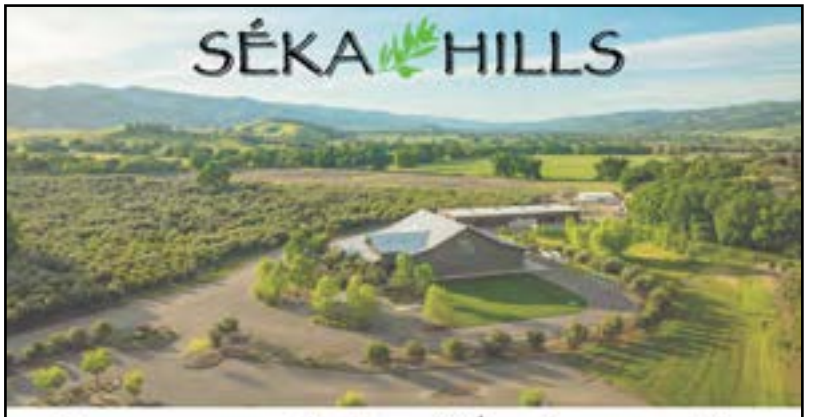
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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.

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

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

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

Capay Cemetery District Board meeting: Held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6pm at the Esparto Community Hall, 17020 Yolo Avenue, Esparto, CA 95627.

Capay Valley Christian Fellowship: 11am adult Sunday school; 11:45am social; 12:10pm - 1:10pm worship/children's Sunday School at 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 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: Next meeting will be November 23rd at 9am, at the Esparto RISE office (17340 Yolo Avenue, Esparto).

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.

Esparto Food Distributions: 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month from 9:30 am - Until supplies last and 4th Monday of the month 10:30am - noon.

Esparto Lions Club Meeting: Meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at the Boy Scout Cabin Social hour at 5:30pm, 6pm Dinner, For Zoom link, please call 530-787-3892.

Esparto Regional Chamber of Commerce: Meets every 2nd Thursday @ 6pm, at CVHCC (17340 Yolo Avenue, Esparto). Questions, call (530) 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 Espart Fire Station.

Food Pantry: Fridays at 2 pm - 5 pm. (17317 Fremont Street, Esparto)

Friends of Esparto Regional Library Board of Directors' Meeting: The 2nd Monday of the month at 5pm (except for July and November) at the Library.

Guinda Community Church: Sunday Service at 9 am.

Guinda Food Distribution: Yolo Food Bank 2nd and 4th Mondays, from 9:30am to 11am at the Grange Hall on Forest Ave. Drive through distribution, first come first served, line starts at 8:30am. Produce, canned food, dry goods, meat and dairy.

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 on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month from 4pm to 5pm at the Madison Community Services District Building.

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

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

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

RISE Collaborative Meeting: 4th Friday of each month at 9am. Meeting held in-person at the RISE, Inc Esparto Office. (17340 Yolo Avenue, Esparto)

RISE Valley Seniors: Meets Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9am - 12pm at the RISE office. (17340 Yolo Avenue, Esparto)

Rumsey Improvement Assoc.: 1st Monday potlucks at Rumsey Hall October - June. Mingling at 6pm, food served at 6:30pm. Bring a dish to share & your own utensils.

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

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

Western Yolo Grange: Meets on the 3rd Tuesday at 6:30 PM, except for July and August. All are welcome, you do not need to be a member to attend.

4-H: Meets at 6pm on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at the Esparto Community Hall, 17020 Yolo Avenue, Esparto CA.