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Local Student Nominated to Compete in National Award Program

Esparto, California- Layla Bozek, a senior at Esparto High School, has been nominated to compete in the national Principal's Leadership Award (PLA) scholarship program, sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP). Herff Jones Inc. funds the PLA Program.

Stan Dodd, principal at Esparto High School, announced the nomination, which places Layla in the national competition. One hundred fifty national PLA winners will be chosen this spring to receive \$1,000 college scholarships.

"Layla is one of our most involved students" states Dodd. "She has been involved in athletics, student government and community service clubs. She has managed to do this and still maintain a 3.75 G.P.A. This is quite an honor for Layla."

High School principals from across the country could nominate one of their student leaders. Nominees were selected based on their leadership skills, participation in service organizations and clubs; achievements in the arts and sciences; employment experience and academic record. They also were required to write an essay.

"NASSP is proud to recognize the efforts of talented young people like Layla" said Gerald N. Tirozzi, executive director, NASSP. "She deserves to be commended for her excellence in the classroom and community."

In recognizing leadership in cocurricular activities as well as academic performance, the PLA scholarship recognizes the importance of a well-rounded education. Cocurricular are an essential part of the school curriculum.

While here at Esparto High School, Layla has been involved in Student Council as Treasurer, Class Officer Treasurer and as President, and President of the Science Club. She has also been a student representative for both School Site Council and as a WASC Committee Representative. Layla has also played Softball, Basketball and Volleyball, where she served as Varsity Team Captain for 2 years running.

This fall Layla has plans to attend college even though she has not decided where, and her plans are to study in Film.

NASSP, the preeminent school leadership organization, serves as the national voice for middle level and high school principals, assistant principals and aspiring school leaders. NASSP promotes the intellectual growth, academic achievement, character development, leadership development, and physical well-being of youth through its programs and student leadership services. NASSP administers the National Honor Society, the National Junior Honor Society, and the National Association of Student Councils.

January 2005

An open letter to everyone interested in public education in the Esparto /Capay Valley / Madison area:

We are enthusiastically announcing that The Esparto Foundation for Public Education has just recently been formed to support our local public education system! The specific goals and purposes of the Foundation include

- enriching and enhancing public education in the Esparto Unified School District,
 - involving the community in achieving the goals and purposes of the Foundation,
 - acquiring supplemental funding, and
- focusing on educational excellence for the students of EUSD and the community.

One of the specific goals of the Foundation is to increase the educational opportunities for students in the arts, music, agriculture, sciences, computer sciences, languages, field trips, and cultural events - both in our soon to be refurbished Auditorium and in other venues. The Foundation will build partnerships between our schools and our community. We have a vision of revitalizing a music program and building a first-class agriculture facility at the new high school. As more of the community becomes involved in the Foundation, more visions will become evident. We all can help make those visions become reality. Together, we can bridge the gap between today's needs and tomorrow's demands.

A membership dues structure has been established that will allow everyone in the Valley to be a participant, ranging from \$5.00 for students, \$25 for families, \$1000 for benefactors, and \$25,000+ for recipients of the Gold Bell, and several other options. As the end of the year approaches, many of us select the charities and non-profits to which we make tax deductible donations. Many community members remember others through Memorials at special times of the year. The Education Foundation Board encourages alumni, parents, students, teachers, businesses, community residents, and friends of our public education system to make it one of your tax deductible investments in the youth of our community.

The founding Board of Directors included Will Baker, Deb Durst, Marlin Karlstad, Joe Lopez, Marian Nichols, Mary Stephens, and Ron Voss. They can respond to questions and receive comments. "Permanent", elected board members are needed to continue the work that these founders have started. The Capay Valley website also has additional information. Those interested in the Foundation are currently meeting the fourth Monday of each month at the Library, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. If you are interested but have a conflict on that day, please contact us; that date may not be permanent.

Information brochures and membership cards are available at the Library, from the EUSD office, or from any Board member. Memberships and donations can be made to Esparto Foundation for Public Education and mailed to P.O. Box 774, Esparto, CA 95667.

On behalf of the Foundation, I thank you for your interest in education of our youth and for your contributions, in time and money, to the Foundation. Ron Voss, temporary chair of the board of directors

Esparto Fire Department Christmas Tree Pick Up

Once again the Esparto Fire Department will come around on Saturday January 8th to pick up your old Christmas Tree. Please place them out front of your house on the edge of the street before 8 a.m. Tree pick up is not available to those in the rural areas of Esparto. The Esparto Fire Department would like to thank the community for their continued support of the Department.

ESPARTO REGION COLLABORATIVE IS A GREAT SUCCESS

The Esparto Region collaborative continues to meet every third Friday of the month. At present, three successful meetings have been held at the Community Center in Esparto. On the average, 18 community agencies throughout Yolo County come together to bring all of their valuable expertise to the table. The collaborative Spotlights a different agency every month. During that time, the agency gives a broad overview about what their program provides. These are some of the agencies, who have presented; Capay Valley Vision, Yolo Family Service Agency, Hands Together, Yolo County Child Support Division, and Davis Child Care Services. There have been positive comments from agencies, who feel that this information is very valuable and helpful to provided needed services to families.

Our next collaborative meeting will be take place on January 21, 2005 from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM at the Esparto Community Center located at 17120 Yolo Ave. If you are interested in being part of a very important team, and in helping make a difference for families please join us. We encourage each agency to bring materials that represent your agency to share. If you have any questions about the collaborative or want to join our meetings, please call RISE, Inc. and ask for Mary Barrientos at (530) 7878-4110.

Biz News from Esparto District Chamber of Commerce

Reserve your Almond Festival booth. Remember, Almond Festival is Sunday, February 27, 2005. If you are a local artist, crafts person, organization, farm or other business located in our area west of I-505, contact the Chamber at 787-3242 to reserve your Almond Festival booth.

Coming soon! Capay Agua Viva Water Store! Are you tired of driving to Woodland to buy drinking water? **Capay Agua Viva** will provide pure and good quality drinking water for the Capay Valley. Watch for their Grand Opening in January next to Yolo Gallery across from the Esparto Park!

¡Pronto vendra! ¡Capay Agua Viva Water Store! ¿Esta cansado de ir a Woodland a comprar su agua de tomar? **Capay Agua Viva** abrira en Esparto en enero para Esparto y el Valle de Capay. ¡Espere para su Gran Inauguración en enero al lado de Yolo Gallery frente al parque en Esparto!

Permit Consulting by Patsy Dobbins. Have you ever tried to wade through the permit process by yourself? Let Patsy help you by pulling permits, helping to fill out and organizing paperwork, and more. Her expertise will streamline the process and get you through it. Call 530-787-3029 or 530-908-9799.

Congratulations to Celebrity Zebras on the birth of their baby Zebra. Joyce Kinsella and Elizabeth Campbell have a Zebra breeding business as part of the **Capay Valley Bed & Breakfast** zoo. Their new arrival, Zeta, is for sale and will be bottle-fed through the month of January. Call 530-908-3618 to learn more about Zeta and the rest of the zoo.

Email a short description or other information to Pat Meade at mail@westvalleyalpacas.com by the middle of the month to promote your business here in the following month's Valley Voice.

Next Chamber meeting is Wednesday, January 12 at 7 pm at Country-side Community Church. Please come find out what's going on in your community and give us your input. Bring your Almond Festival questions. The board meets at 6:30 pm.



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Would You Like to Submit an Article to the Valley Voice?

We love hearing from you, the residents of Capay Valley. In order to best represent the current activities and events that happen around us, the Valley Voice depends on local input. The more articles that you submit, the more interests and varied activities that take place around us can be covered each month. We love pictures, flyers, calendar entries, and of course, articles! If possible, as soon as you know you would like to submit something, call or email us so we can layout a space for your contribution. All submissions must be received by the 25th of each month.

Calendar entries should contain the name of the event or meeting, date, time and location. The most effective way to submit an article is to email a WORD attachment to us at valleyvoice2@hotmail.com. The preferred format is Times New Roman font with normal style paragraphs. Of course we will take articles anyway you can get them to us: email, regular mail (PO Box 616, Esparto, CA 95627), fax, hand written and stuffed through our office doors...! If you have pictures, please identify what article they are to go with and make sure we have names (first and last, left to right) to identify the people in them. We can scan them ourselves or you can email as an attachment (like JPEG). All articles received will be considered for printing, but please bear in mind, space is limited and we may not always be able to print everything we receive each month. We also reserve the right to edit all articles. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at either the email address, in person at RISE Inc, 16858 Yolo St., or by phone 787-4110, or 908-1052.

In additions to articles, you can also submit business display ads, classified ads and personal greetings.

For business display ads, please contact the office for specific submission and payment instructions. Cost for display ads are as follows: \$25/month for business card size, \$50/month for 1/4 page ad, \$100/month for 1/2 page ad, and \$200/month for whole page ad.

Classified ads must be paid for in advance, all ads (25 words or less) are \$10.00. Classifieds include help wanted, for sale and garage sales.

Personal Greetings will be displayed on the calendar on the last page of the paper. Birthdays, anniversaries and special events can be shared with the whole community. Personal Greetings must be paid for in advance. All personal greetings are \$5.00.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to all of your future articles!

NEWS FROM THE ESPARTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICE...

Happy New Year!



On Behalf of the Esparto USD Board and Staff ... to our students, parents and community. Thank you for the continued good work and support provided to our schools thus far this school year and ... **We anticipate a great second half of the year as we begin 2005!**

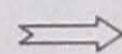
From the Desk of Superintendent Tom Michaelson:



FUN-FILLED EXPERIENCE AT SUTTER'S FORT ... Fourth grade students recently enjoyed their annual educational field trip to Sutter's Fort. I enjoyed visiting with students, parents and teachers who were "living" as though they had stepped back in time to experience life as it was over 150 years ago. Many chose to brave the elements by spending the night at the fort as well. Special thanks to our 4th grade teachers and instructional aides as well as the many volunteer parents that makes this an extraordinary event every year.


GEORGIAN SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM ... Esparto High School has welcomed the opportunity to participate in this program over the past 3 years. The purpose has been to study Integrated Pest Management in relation to the wine industry in this region and has been funded through a grant from World Link, Inc. Groups of Esparto students and teachers have traveled to Georgia during summer breaks that have also resulted in learning about and experiencing another culture. This partnership has evolved into a wonderful relationship with Georgian teachers, administrators, and students and EHS is privileged this year to host 2 Georgian foreign exchange students, **Guram Sulakvelidze and Nino Tsulaia**. We welcome them to our school and community and thank them for recently addressing the School Board Meeting.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT ESPARTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT:



*** Check with **Nena Lemus** at the District Office for possible job openings ***
Call: (530) 787-3446

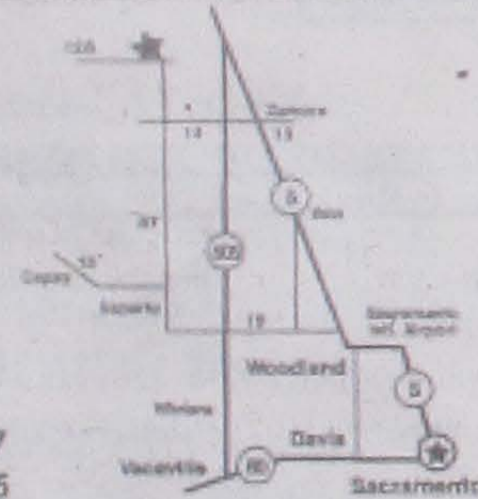
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ESPARTO LITTLE LEAGUE

<u>Task</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Time Estimate</u>
Scorekeepers	Each team needs a person to keep score at each game. We can easily train anyone for this simple task.	1.5 - 2 hrs each game, 1-2 days per week
Equipment Manager	Organize, order, purchase and distribute supplies and equipment to coaches. Most time is spent in the preseason weeks	2 hours per week
Fund Raising Coordinator	Our primary fundraiser is the fireworks booth. Additional opportunities fundraising through local businesses.	2 -3 hours per week during fundraising only
Field Maintenance	Use the LL riding mower and mow the field. Ensure field is watered and general appearance is maintained.	1 hr per week
Liaison to District Meetings	This person simple acts to represent Esparto LL at the district meetings. Bylaw requires our attendance. Very simple note taking job. Meetings are 3 rd Thursday of each month	1.5 hours per month!
Coaches	Work directly with kids teaching them baseball skills and teamwork. What you don't know, we can teach you to teach them.	5 hours per week
Manager	Overall coordinator and team leader, helps coaching duties as required. Includes the administrative function of team organization.	6 hours per week
Team Moms and Dads	Assist the team manager in administrative functions, contacting parents, snack schedule, planning events, etc,	maybe 30 min per week.
Umpires	More fun than it sounds. An opportunity to be involved. Need Umpires and Field Judges for T-ball, minors, majors and Junior leagues. Training available	1.5 - 6 hrs per week, depending on how many games you want to umpire.
Opening Ceremony Coordinator	Coordinate and organize opening day ceremonies. Fairly simple, lots of folks with past experience to help.	4 hours, one time deal.
Closing Ceremonies Coordinator	Coordinate and organize closing day ceremonies. Order trophies. Fairly simple, lots of folks with past experience to help.	4 hours, one time deal
Game Announcer	Self explanatory. This can be real fun	1.5-3 hours per week.
Game Scoreboard manager	Watch the game and change the scoreboard as required. A totally painless task.	2-4 hrs per week.
Game Reporter	Take pictures, report scores to Valley Voice. Make what you want of this fun task.	30 min per week
Spring Field Preparation	In January or Early February coordinate or just assist in mowing, raking, tilling, fertilizing the field.	2-6 hours one time
Recurrent Field Preparation	Prior to each home game, chalk lines, rake the infield, water the infield. Need helpers for high school field and T-ball/minors/majors field.	1 hr per week
Sign-ups and Registration Coordinator	Get the word out and organize the dissemination and collection of applications. Staff registration desk on registration day.	8 hours one time
Snack Bar Coordinator	Coordinate snack bar staff, order supplies. Open and close snack bar for home games	3-6 hours per week
Snack Bar Helper	Staff the snack bar and sell stuff. This duty really frees-up the parents to watch their kids play.	Variable, 1 hr min.
Web Site Maintainer	Respond to requests from LL staff to update the website with varieties of information	1 hr per week
Secretary	Board position, attend monthly meeting and take notes. Type-up notes and submit to board.	2 hrs per week
Safety Officer	Monitor established safety program, enhance where necessary.	1 hour per month!



Esparto Little League P.O. Box 411 Esparto, California 95627
Visit our website at: www.espartolittleleague.org

Esparto Little League is actively seeking volunteers to help with this season. A successful season requires a good group of volunteers. Volunteering can be very fun and give you the knowledge that you helped your community out. Previous years the Little League Board was burdened with too many tasks, not enough volunteers. You can make a difference with as little as a 2 hour one time task. Please look over the tasks we have and see if you can help make a difference this year. No minimum age to volunteer, multiple people can team together to accomplish each task. You do not need to be baseball knowledgeable nor do you need to have children in little league to help.

Interested? Contact a board member:

President: Mike Kuehn	787-3013
Vice President: Brian Paddock	787-1725
Head Umpire: Larry Kieny	787-1706
Secretary/Treasurer: Lavella Kieny	787-1706
Player Agent: Ed Jones	787-3139
Safety Officer: Gabe Galvan	787-3892

ESPARTO LITTLE LEAGUE



ARE YOU READY FOR SOME BASEBALL? Yes, it is time to think about 2005 Esparto Little League

Sign-Ups: Wednesdays January 5 & 26, February 16
 5:30-7:30 PM
 At The Esparto Fire Station

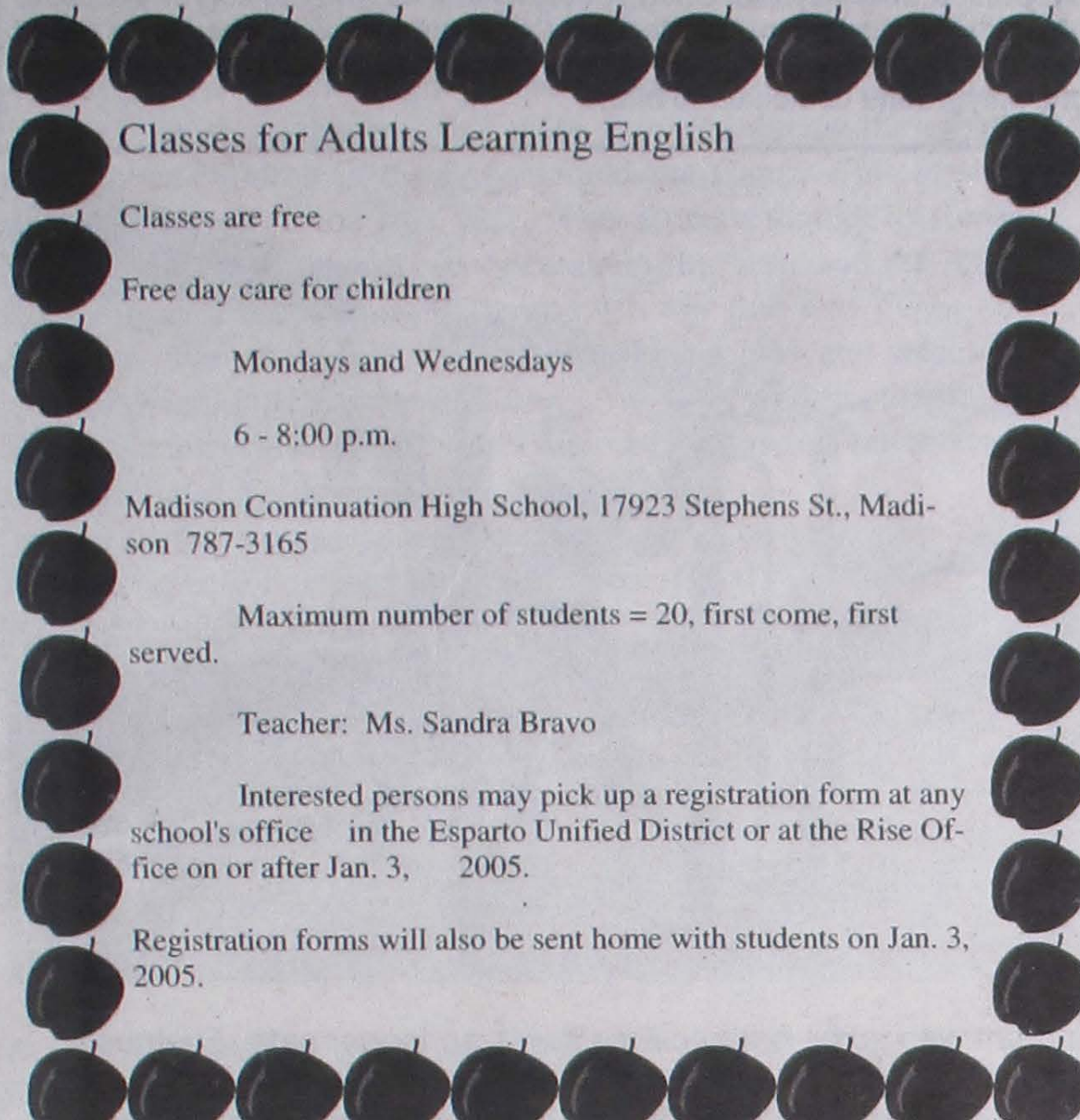
Try-outs: February 26, 2005 at Little League Field
 League games begin week of April 4, 2005

Opening Day Ceremony: April 9, 2005

Registration Fees: \$45 per player; \$35 for second player in family
 \$15 per player **LATE FEE AFTER FEBRUARY 16**
 Sign-ups after try-outs will go to waiting list only.

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Interested persons may pick up a registration form at any school's office in the Esparto Unified District or at the Rise Office on or after Jan. 3, 2005.

Registration forms will also be sent home with students on Jan. 3, 2005.

The Pre-Kinder Ready Play Group begin their Sessions "Come Read, Sing & Play with us!"

Our first Play group session was held on Tuesday, October 5, 2004. The Play group will meet from 9:00-11:30am every Tuesday and Thursday, at the Universal Learning Center [corner of Grafton & Freemont].

Come join us for some Reading, Singing and Playing!! Children 3-5 years of age and their parents are welcomed!!!!

The theme for October was 'Changes'. Parents & children were able to observe 'Changes' in our environment, in their homes and within ourselves. The children experienced a big change by coming to our Play Groups and began a new routine.

This month's focus included reading picture labels, singing and listening to stories through usage of puppets and flannel characters.

We will continue to have opportunities to use paint, draw pictures, count and practice writing their names. In October we celebrated a birthday and joined the Esparto Elementary School's annual Halloween Parade.

Thank you Mrs. Alfonso, Mrs. Barajas, Mrs. Quiroz and Mrs. Rotoli. Your help during the play group sessions is very much appreciated!

"Come Read, Sing and Play with us!"

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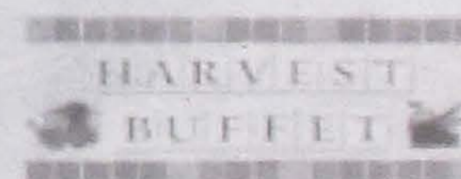
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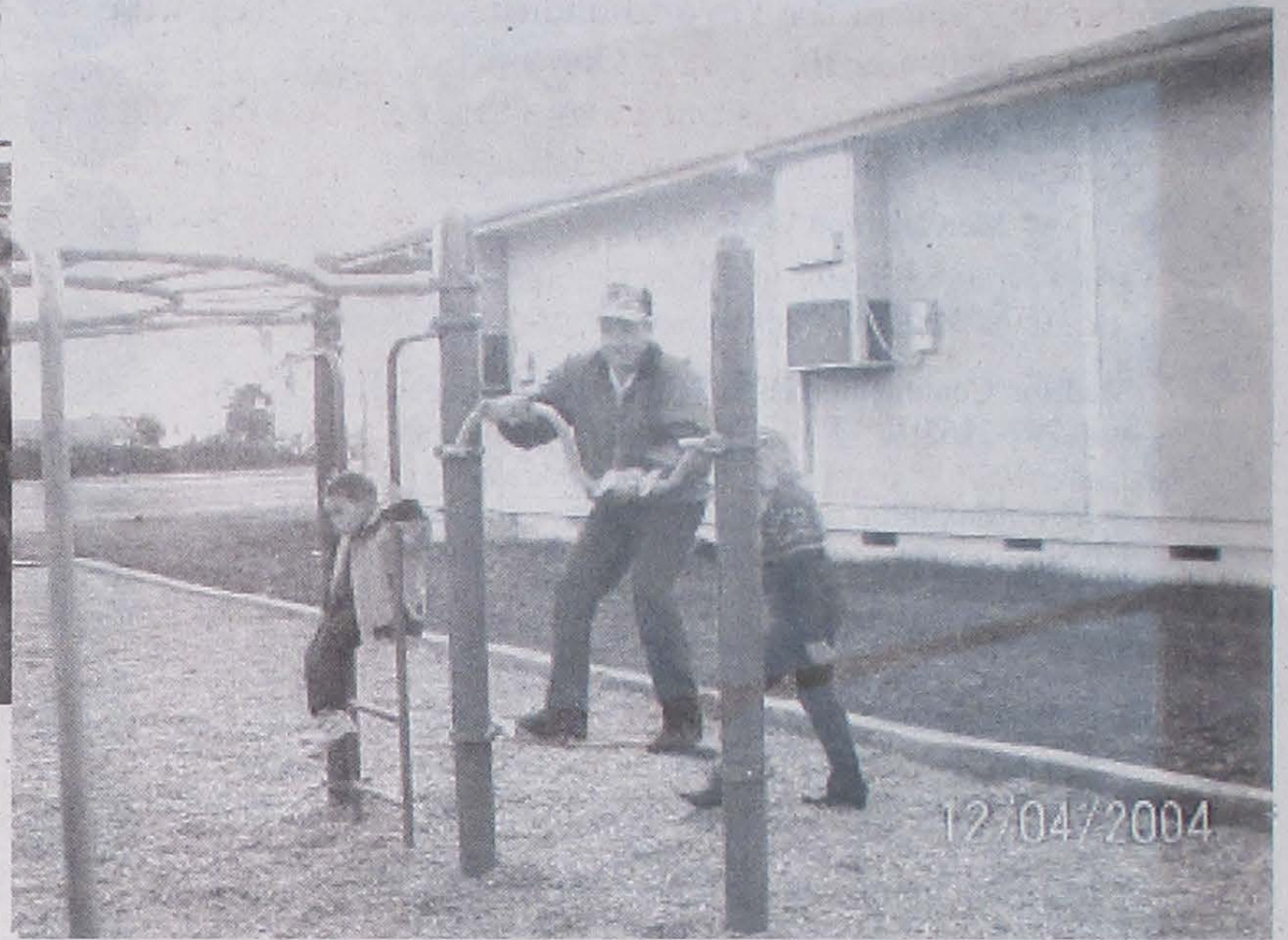
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Woodland Reveille Lion, Craig Jones, listens as Antonio J. (Tony) Lopes, Jr. spoke of his love of the Madison Community, how pleased he is with a safe, healthy place for the children to play & how honored he is to have the playground dedicated to him.



Esparto Lion Al (Obie) Obermuller, plays along side Cody Lopes. Cody's mom, Brenda joins in at the opening of the new Madison Park Playground on Saturday, Dec 4th. Brenda started working towards a new playground 7 years ago when the old playground equipment was taken out because it was no longer safe. Eventually, Brenda took her idea to the Esparto Lions Club & the Gordon Zone Lions decided to take on the challenge of raising money to put the playground in. With the help of a matching grant from Lions International Foundation for \$25,000, a \$22,000 grant from Yolo County Children & Families Commission, donations of \$5,000 each from Esparto Lions & Woodland Reveille Lions, and numerous other contributions both monetary and in-kind, the community of Madison & the Gordon Zone Lions have built the playground & raised nearly \$100,000. The community celebrated with an enchilada & taco dinner at the Madison Hall. There is still some sidewalks to put in, the handicapped accessible parking space to be completed and the lawn to be replanted. The playground is open for safe play on Main Street in Madison.



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Toys, Toys, Toys

Toys, toys, toys was the theme for RISE Inc. during the month of December. With all the toys that were gathered during the month of November children in the Esparto and the Capay Valley were able to receive extra joy this year. Our sincere thanks to Renegade Classics for sponsoring us once again this year and the After School Program for helping us wrap each toy that was given out to families. We all felt like Christmas elves wrapping and selecting age appropriate gifts for the children. We also want to thank the Esparto Countryside Church for graciously allowing us to store the toys and use a classroom for wrapping.

It is nice to see a community working together to make this holiday a memorable one for families in need. Food bags/boxes were also given out to 115 families to make their holiday complete. Special thanks to Liz Schwall, Erika, Nicky, Deborah Durst and Margarita Lemus for their hard work and dedication. On behalf of RISE Inc. we hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday.

Mommy & Me Update!

The "Mommy and Me" group met in December to celebrate good Dental Care and Mental Health. Amy Howering from CommuniCare and Beatriz Lopez from the Family Service Agency graciously attended our last sessions and were able to meet some of our parents. As we continue to meet we will be bringing other speakers to our groups to provide extended resources to the families. We are looking forward to begin a Mental Health support group and welcome others to join. For further information on when the sessions take place, please contact RISE Inc. at (530) 787-4110 and ask for Oralia.

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Spaghetti Dinner Take Out

The After School Program is hosting their 3rd Annual Spaghetti Dinner Take Out to benefit the Middle School Students Field Trip Fund.

Students will be selling the tickets as well as preparing the meal. Dinners include spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, and dessert.

Dinners need to be picked up between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. **Thursday,**

January 20th, in the Esparto Elementary School Cafeteria. All Proceeds from this event go directly to the students for field trips. If you would like a Middle School student to come by your house to sell, contact Dennis Huitt, Program Coordinator at **908-1052.**

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Healthy Weight Week January 18 – 24, 2004
Normal Eating Nurtures Wellness

What is normal eating?

Normal eating is usually eating at regular times, typically three meals and one or two snacks to satisfy hunger. It is regulated mostly by internal signals of hunger, appetite, satiety — we eat when hungry and stop when satisfied.

How does it promote health and well-being?

- ✦ Normal eating enhances our feelings of well-being. We eat for health and energy, also for pleasure and social reasons, and afterward, we feel good.
- ✦ Normal eating means that food choices more likely provide variety, moderation, and balanced nutrition.
- ✦ Normal eating promotes clear thinking and mood stability. It fosters healthy relationships in family, work, school, and community. Thoughts of food, hunger, weight occupy only a small part of day (perhaps 10 to 15 percent).

Normal eating nurtures good health, vibrant energy, and the healthy growth and development of children. It promotes stable weights, within a wide range, expressing both genetic and environmental factors.

How does it differ from dysfunctional eating?

- ✦ Dysfunctional or disordered eating patterns are irregular and chaotic (fasting, bingeing, dieting, skipping meals), or may mean usually overeating or under eating much more or less than the body wants or needs. Instead of feeling better after eating, the person is likely to feel worse. Feeling fatigued, irritable, moody, chilled, less able to concentrate, and increasingly self-absorbed is common. Thoughts of food, hunger, and weight may occupy 20 to 65 percent of waking hours, or more. Potential health problems vary depending on the dysfunction. Risk of developing eating disorders is increased.

How parents encourage normal eating

- ✦ Offer a variety of nutritious food at regular intervals — planned meals and snacks.
- ✦ Help the child identify hunger and fullness.
- ✦ Be a good example of normal, healthy eating and lifestyle.

Follow Ellyn Satter's Golden Rule for Parenting with Food:

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Juguetes, Juguetes, Juguetes

Juguetes, juguetes, juguetes eran el tema para el programa de RISE Inc. durante el mes de diciembre. Con todos los juguetes de niños que fueron juntados durante el mes de noviembre, Esparto y el Valle de Capay tuvieron alegría extra este año. Nuestro sincero gracias a la agencia de Renegado Clásico para patrocinarnos una vez más este año y el Programa de después de Escuela para ayudarnos envolver cada juguete que fueron repartidos a las familias. Todos sentíamos como duendes de Navidad en estar envuelviendo y estar escogido juguetes apropiados para la edad de los niños. Queremos también dar gracias a la Iglesia de Countryside Community de Esparto que nos permitieron guardar los juguetes y utilizar un cuarto para envolver los juguetes. Es agradable ver una comunidad que trabaja juntos para hacer una Navidad memorable para familias necesitadas. Bolsas/cajas de alimentos fueron repartidas también a 115 familias para hacer sus Navidad completa. Unas gracias Especiales a Liz Schabb, sus niños, Deborah Durst y Margarita Lemus para su trabajo y sus dedicación. Nosotros del programa de RISE Inc. esperamos que todos tuvieran unas vacaciones seguras y felices.

¡El Grupo de "Mami & Mí" Actualizo!

El grupo de "Mami y Mí" se junto en diciembre para celebrar el buen Cuidado Dental y la Salud Mental. Amy Howering de CommuniCare y Beatriz Lopez de la Agencia de Servicio de la Familia asistió amablemente a nuestras últimas sesiones y hablaron con algunos de los padres. En continuacion estaremos trayendo a otras agencias a nuestros grupos para proporcionar los recursos prolongados a las familias. Pensamos empezar un grupo de apoyo de Salud Mental y les damos la bienvenida a otros individuales que nos quieren acompañarnos. Para mas información en cuando las sesiones suceden, por favor de llamar a RISE Inc. al numero (530) 787-4110 y hablen con Oralia.

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Marty is so calm he would rather not join a family with a lot of other animals or children. Is there a place on your lap for this sweet little boy?

Marty is about 7-years old. He is so Happy to be out of the shelter and in a foster home! He was very scared there and barely moved the whole time he was on hold. Now that we can see what a sweet guy he is we know he would make a great lap dog for someone! ID:Marty
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EL COLABORATIVO DEL REGION DE ESPARTO ES UN EXITO

El colaborativo del region de Esparto continua a renuirse cada terecer viernes de cada mes. Al presente, tres juntas que fueron exitosas si renuiron en el Centro Comunidad de Esparto. Por lo promedio, 18 agencias de la comunidad del Condado de Yolo se reunieron a traer todo su pericia valiosa a la mesa. El colaborativo presenta una agencia diferente cada mes. Durante este tiempo, la agencia da un vision general sobre sír agencia y los services que proveren. Al presente, estos son unas agencias, quien presentaron un vision general de su programa; Capay Valley Vision, Yolo Family Service Agency, Hands Together, Yolo County Child Support Division, y Davis Child Care Services. Si escucha cosas positivas de diferentes agencias, quien valora la information y ayuda para proveer servicios a las familias.

La proxima junta del colaborativo sera el 21 de Enero, 2005 de las 9:00 AM hasts las 11:30 AM. La junta sera en el centro social de Esparto localizado en 17120 Avenida de Yolo. Si usted esta interesado en formar parte de un equipo muy importante, y hacer una diferencia para familias por favor juntese con nosotros. Alentamos a cada agencia que traiga las materials acerca de su agenc ia para compartir. Si usted tiene cualquiera pregunta acerca del colaborativa o la necesidad para asistir nuestra reunions, por favor llame a RISE, Inc. y pregunte port

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Nuestra primera sesión del grupo del Juego empieza el martes, el 5 de octubre de 2004. El grupo del Juego se encuentra todos los martes y jueves de las 9:00-11:30am. Nos reunimos en el Centro de Aprendizaje Universal [rincón de Grafton & Freemont]. ¡Venga únanos para alguna Lectura, Cantando y Jugando! ¡Los niños 3-5 años de la edad y su padre's está bienvenido! !!!

Este mes el tema de s es 'los Cambios'. Estaremos observando 'los Cambios' en nuestro ambiente, los hogares y dentro de nosotros mismos. Los niños estarán experimentando un cambio grande, viniendo a nuestros Grupos del Juego. El foco de este mes las actividades de s incluirán etiquetas de retrato de lectura, cantando y para escuchar los cuentos.

Los niños han tenido la oportunidad de utilizar pintura, los retratos de la atracción, el conde y la práctica que escriben sus nombres. Este mes nosotros éramos capaces de celebrar un cumpleaños y nosotros estaremos uniendo la Escuela de enseñanza primaria de Esparto's el Desfile anual de la Víspera de todos los santos.

Gracias Sra. Alfonso, la Sra. Barajas, la Sra. Quiroz y la Sra. Rotoli. ¡Su ayuda durante las sesiones del grupo del juego es tanto apreciada!

"Viene Leyó, Canta y Juega con nosotros!"

Card of Thanks

Thank you to the many friends and family who showed their care and concern during Ken's recent illness.

We are blessed with your kindness and glad to be back to a normal schedule. We hope you have a wonderful holiday season.

Ken and Heidi Howald-Hopper

Classifieds

YCOE Head Start is looking for a Home Base Teacher in the Capay Area. Please visit the website: www.ycoe.org or call 530-668-3780 for more information and exact qualifications.

CALENDAR DETAILS

The Dental office in Esparto is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. every Tuesday, Call 787-4972 to make an appt.

Food and Clothes Closet, more information contact RISE Inc. at 787-4110.

AA meetings, *Countryside Community Church*, located at 26479 Grafton St. Entrance is on west side of building. Go down the stairs to kitchen. Call Don Bertleson at 787-3322 for more information.

Guinda Community Church, Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in Spanish and English

Home Schooling Cooperative, Call Elvira Paoletti, 908-2471

WIC Services is located in the Esparto Family Practice office at 17050 South Grafton St. For an appt. call (209) 870-5000.

Capay Valley General Plan Advisory Committee

(CVGPAC) meets every 1st wed. of the month at 7 p.m. at the Grange Hall in Guinda. Open to the public.

Esparto Citizen Advisory Committee to Planning Council (ECAC) meets every 3rd Tuesday at 7pm in the Wintum Room at the Esparto Regional Library.

Capay Valley Christian Fellowship Women's Bible Class Meets Mondays at 7:00 p.m. Call Donna Shera for more information 796-3726

If you would like to get contact information about calendar events in the next meeting please email the editors of the *Valley Voice* at valleyvoice2@hotmail.com or call 787-4110 to get the information in.



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