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RUMSEY BAND DELIVERS TRIBAL MITIGATION CHECK FOR \$3.5 MILLION TO YOLO COUNTY

Check Represents the 2004-05 Payment Due as Part of the Tribe-County Agreement

The Board of Supervisors received a check in the amount of \$3.5 million from the Rumsey Band of Wintun Indians during today's regular Board of Supervisors meeting in Woodland.

The check, presented by Marshall McKay, Tribal Secretary, represents the 2004-05 payment by the Rumsey Band for impacts to the County from the expansion of the Cache Creek Casino Resort in the town of Brooks, in western Yolo County.

The award-winning Tribal-County Intergovernmental Agreement, signed in 2002, calls for 20 years of payments to the County of Yolo to mitigate impacts of the casino expansion. This is the second annual payment received from Rumsey.

"The Board is very happy to receive this check from Mr. McKay," said Mike McGowan, Chair of the Board of Supervisors.

"Yolo County has worked hard to develop a good working relationship with the Rumsey Band so that we could effectively resolve some of the public safety, transportation, air quality, land use and other community impacts from the casino's expansion,"

McGowan said.

District 5 Supervisor Lynnel Pollock, who represents the citizens most impacted by the casino, said, "I'm very pleased that the Rumsey band is again making their annual payment to Yolo County as set forth in the historic Tribal Agreement. These dollars are very important in addressing impacts to Capay Valley and the County," Pollock said.

"The tribe has long recognized that in order to build and maintain positive relations with those in the community, the commitments we make must be upheld," said Paula Lorenzo, Tribal Chairwoman.

"We entered into discussions with the County in good faith as a responsible exercise of our sovereignty," Lorenzo added. "As our payment today reflects, we have every intention of honoring all that was agreed to and paying our fair share."

The funds go a long way to address the impacts experienced by Yolo County, stated Supervisor McGowan. The tribal payments have funded increased law enforcement patrols in Capay Valley, fire prevention and safety measures, water and air quality monitoring, noise and light studies, pedestrian safety measures, road improvements and other mitigation efforts.



Esparto High School is Nominated for "Distinguished School" Parents & Children Needed!

Award

Earlier this month, Esparto High School was notified that it had been nominated for the State of California's "Distinguished School" Award.

School Selection is based upon criteria that addresses all areas of a school's educational program, it's learning environment and the level of public confidence as demonstrated by family and community participation. Also looked at are the assessment results as measured by "No Child Left Behind", Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP and the Academic Performance Index (API).

Over the last 2 years, Esparto High School has seen a 160 point increase in API scores and was issued a 6-year accreditation by the Western Accreditation of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

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Esparto High School would like to invite you as parent and community members to take part in the application process.

There will be a meeting on November 10, 2004 at 12:30. All parents and community members are welcome to attend.

If you have any questions, please contact the Esparto High School office at (530) 787-3405

Se Necesitan Padres y Niños!

We would like to invite parents and children to join us in greeting the Renegade bikers who will be coming through town on Saturday, November 20, 2004 at 11:45 a.m.. RISE Inc. has been selected once again as one of this year's 2nd Annual Santa Claus Toy Run benefactors. Your help is needed to show them our support in making x-mas a mémorable one for our Madison, Esparto, Capay Valley families. Please sign up by calling RISE Inc. at (530) 787-4110 and join us for some hot cocoa and cookies to cheer them on.

Queremos invitar a padres y niños en acompañarnos el sábado, dia 20 de noviembre 2004, a las 11:45 de la mañana para darles el bien pasaje a los manejadores de motorcycletas. RISE Inc. ha sido escogido una vez más como uno de los benefactores

del segundo año Anual del Corrido de Juguete de Santa Claus que estarán recojiendo regalos para los ninos para Navidad. Su ayuda se necesita para mostrarles nuestro apoyo para hacerles una Navidad memorable para nuestras familias del Valle de Madison, Esparto y Capay. Por favor de inscríbase en llamando a RISE Inc. al numero (530) 787-4110 para tomar un chocolate caliente y galletas.



November 2004



Farmers Market in Esparto — November 13th Craft Fair

Esparto is set to host the third Capay Valley Regional Farmers' Market on November 13th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Esparto Community Park. In addition to local produce, the market will feature an arts and crafts fair sponsored by the Esparto PTSA, music, games, and a clown. The new mar-

ket has been a big success thanks to a number of local groups and volunteer residents dedicated to assuring the future of the region.

While the Farmers Market brings people together, it also showcases the products grown in the region, giving area residents and visitors alike the opportunity to purchase them. "The local farms will have this year's almonds and walnuts, healthy greens, and winter squash," said Temra Costa of Community Alliance with Family Farmers and interim manager of the Farmers' Market. "This will also be a great opportunity for buying holiday gifts and supporting your local producers and artists."

The Capay Valley Regional Farmers Market is designed not just as a place to find and purchase locally grown produce, but also as a place for families to come together and for residents to meet their neighbors. The Capay Valley Regional Farmers' Market offers children's activities, nutrition education exhibits, Dilly Dally the Clown and other entertainment.

The Farmers' Market takes place monthly at the Esparto Community Park the second Saturday of each month through the end of 2004: December 11th. Closed for the winter months and is scheduled to return in April of 2005 on a weekly basis.

For more information about the Capay Valley Regional Farmers' Market, please contact Thomas Nelson, Executive Director of Capay Valley Vision at (530) 796-4160.

West Valley Alpacas Holiday Sale!

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Alpaca teddy bears, scarves, hats, gloves, socks, shawls, cool buttons, looms, spinning wheels & other great gifts on sale.



Biz News from Esparto District Chamber of Commerce



Gear up for Almond Festival 2005! The Almond Festival will be Sunday, February 27, 2005, but plans are already well underway. Since 1915, the Almond Festival has been held as a celebration of our people and our rural lifestyle, with each community offering different events, displays, information and commercial booths. This year, as the Capay Valley region continues to gain recognition as a great place to live, visit and do business, the park in Esparto will be a showcase of our region and its products.

Booths in the park will only be available to artists, crafts people, organizations, farms and other businesses located in our area west of I-505. If you have products grown, produced or created locally, contact the Chamber right away at 787-3242 to reserve your Almond Festival booth.



Get vour free listing in the Business Book! We are now working on the Business Book, a directory of local businesses, to be distributed free of charge to all members of the community. We want to include all local businesses and organizations, large and small, whether or not you are a Chamber member. "White page" listings are available free of charge to every business, but Chamber members will have bold listings and the opportunity to advertise in the "yellow pages". If you've gotten your Chamber

renewal notice, you've seen the section that gives us information for your listing in the Business Book. If you haven't filled it out or haven't gotten a notice, please call the Chamber 787-3242, or contact Pat Meade at mail@westvalleyalpacas.com. Don't be left out!



Remember to take advantage of your Chamber benefits! Let the Chamber promote your business by sending us upcoming events or other announcements to include in this column. You are welcome to introduce your business, services and products here. Just email a short description or other information to Pat Meade at mail@westvalleyalpacas.com by the middle of the month to be included in the following month's Valley Voice.



Next Chamber meeting is Wednesday, November 10 at 7 pm at Countryside Community Church. Please come find out what's going on in your community and give us your input. The board meets at 6:30 pm.

The Valley Voice P.O. Box 616 Esparto, CA 95627

For article inquires, call 787-4110, or send an e-mail message to Dennis or Melanie Huitt at valleyvoice2@hotmail.com. For billing inquiries or ad rates, call 787-4110. All articles and ads are due by the 20th of each month. We reserve the right to edit articles at our discretion, due to space limitations. Funded in part by the Yolo County Children and Families Commission (Proposition 10), The Valley Voice is published monthly by a community partnership between RISE, Inc., Esparto Unified School District, and contributions from grants, Foundations, and local community service organizations. Articles published do not necessarily express the views of the Valley Voice editor or committee.



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NEWS FROM THE ESPARTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICE...

From the Desk of Superintendent Tom Michaelson:

DISTRICTWIDE TEACHER IN-SERVICE ... In October, the School District declared two minimum days where students were sent home early so to ceive staff development in the following academic areas from:

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Esparto High School Principal Stan Dodd - Math

Esparto Middle School Principal Carole Hiltman - Technology

Esparto Elementary School Principal Greta Taber - English Language Learners

Madison High School Principal Linda Dufault - Writing

The goal of the in-service was to align curriculum and assessment instruments to the State Content Standards. Esparto USD is very fortunate to have principals who are truly capable and demonstrate instructional leadership at their sites and in the district. The beneficiaries of this staff development

will ultimately be our students by the implementation of better instructional strategies from an excellent group of teachers.

We are PROUD of our PRINCIPALS, TEACHERS and STAFFI



AROUND THE DISTRICT ...

New Computer Lab ... is near completion and will be occupied shortly. The lab will include a new classroom, new computers and equipment, as well as new desks and chairs. We are excited about having this upgraded technology center available to our high school students.

New Automated Sprinkler Systems ... have been installed on the softball field and in front of the gymnasium at the High School.



AROUND THE COMMUNITY ... Help Improve Safety in Esparto!!!

+ "Safe Routes to Schools" ... Work is near completion with the installation of sidewalks and gutters on Omega, Plainfield and Madison Streets. We encourage our students and members of the community to use utilize this fine improvement to Esparto.

New Stop Sign and Rumble Strips ... have been placed on County Road 21A at County Road 86. In the near future, Radar-Controlled Speed Signs will be installed on CR 21A for traffic approaching the middle school from both directions.



PARENT REMINDER: NEW SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 2004-05 ... Last spring, the School Board with the endorsement of the Esparto Teacher's Association and CSEA (Classified Employees Union) approved the school calendar for this year. Please note the following dates on your calendars for planning purposes:

School Begin Date ...

Thanksgiving Holiday ...

Winter Break ... Spring Break ...

School End Date ...

Summer School Dates...

Tuesday, August 17, 2004

Wednesday-Friday, November 24th-26th, 2004

Monday, December 20th-Friday, December 31st, 2004 Monday-Friday, March 28th-April 1st, 2005

Thursday, May 26, 2005

Monday, June 6th, 2005 - Friday, July 1st, 2005



SCHOOL IS IN SESSION

On Monday & Tuesday November 22nd & 23rd!

Don't forget to send you students to school!

Main Changes from past years ...

Adjustments made to close school prior to the Memorial Day Holiday ...

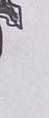
Thanksgiving Holiday reduced from 5 days to 3 days

Winter Break remains the same ... 2 weeks vacation

Only 5 days will be taken off at Spring Break rather than 6 days as in past

Please plan now and mark these changes on your calendars!

KEEPING OUR PRIDE ON DISPLAY!



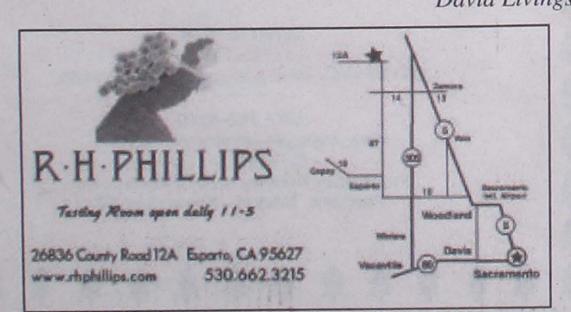




VETERAN'S DAY HOLIDAY - Thursday, November 11th, 2004 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS - Wednesday-Friday, November 24th-26th, 2004



ATTRIBUTE FOR SUCCESS: "I'll go anywhere as long as it's forward!" David Livingstone



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Office (530) 787-3390

WYORCA News



This has been an exciting month for the Western Yolo Recreation Center Association (WYORCA). We are the recipient of funding from the Tribal Mitigation Funds to be used for conceptual drawings, display materials and a detailed business plan. This grant would not have happened without Supervisor Lynnel Pollock's support and endorsement. Thank you also to the Yolo County Board of Supervisors for voting yes to our goals as well.



WOW, do we ever want to thank some wonderful people who helped out at WYORCA's water slide booth during Hoes Down at Full Belly Farm. Julie Rose was there as well as Gretchen and Brian Paddock. David Markham and Jane Stallings helped with Helen Voss. In addition to working in the booth, Claire Haag, Trini Campbell and Anna Brait all helped to get it set up on Friday. Thank you so much for helping to make our booth the "cool" spot on the farm. Booth members also signed up community members for Raley's EScrip.

Speaking of Raley's EScrip, did you know that in this last three months, the 100 or so people who are consistently using their EScrip cards at Raley's earned \$189 towards our goal of a swimming pool and recreation center. Let's do some math here... if 100 people are using the cards that's 1.89 per card in three months.... So if we could get 1,000 families to sign up and to use the card, that would be... well that would be \$1,890 every three months. To get on board, call Trini at 530 796-4100 or Melissa at 530 787-3652. WOW what are you waiting for!



Recently, West Valley Alpacas held a Fiber on the Farm weekend. Visitors to the farm could take sample courses in weaving, knitting, spinning and how to raise alpacas as well as weaving and spinning demonstrations. Owners Pate Meade and Jon Robbins donated the proceeds from tickets sold for an alpaca scarf that was spun and woven over the weekend to WYORCA. Thank you Pat and Jon!

Make a difference in your school and community!

Join the Esparto Parent, Teacher and Student Association (PTSA) and come to the meetings to help improve your school and community. We need caring and creative people like yourselves to be involved. Your dedication is rewarded by the children's smiles and community atmosphere resulting from your participation.

Calendar of Events:

November 13, 2004; CRAFT FAIR

9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the Esparto Community Center \$15 vendor space charge, deadline to reserve space is November 11, 2004

contact Nola Osburne @ 530-908-3094 or 530-787-3094

November (date to be announced); <u>REFLECTIONS</u>:

An arts appreciation where kids can enter their special talents –
look for flyers and announcements on channel 55 or contact Nola

Osburne @ 530-787-3094 or 530-908-3094 all children in the
community invited to participate ages 2-15 LET YOUR CHILD EXPRESS THEIR

TALENT!

December 3, 2004; CHRISTMAS CAROLING & STORY NIGHT Starts @ 6:30 p.m. held at the Esparto Elementary School Cafeteria Family Portraits available (4"x6") cost \$5.00

January 21, 2004; <u>FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT</u>
Free to the Esparto Community, High School Gymnasium Details to Follow

February 25, 2004; SOCK HOP – FAMILY FUN NIGHT
Starts @ 6:30 p.m. High School Gymnasium Free to all PTSA Members - \$1.00 per family for Non-Members
Membership accepted at the door

March 18, 2004; ANNUAL AUCTION

Details to be announced If you have items that you wish to donate for the auction, please contact:

Nola Osburne @ 530-787-3094 or 530-908-3094 or Trinia Eason @ 530-796-3649 or 530-787-4151

Or Anna Girk @ 530-787-3546 or 916-928-8777

So far this year, we have tentative ideas such as: Spanish classes for children and adults, Lap-A-Thon, Visiting Authors, Chevy's restaurant fund raiser

For information or questions, please call the Esparto Middle School 530-787-4151

Come Sing! Listen! Play!

The Capay Valley Chorus & Western Yolo Grange
Invite you to join us for a

Songfest/Lamfest

Songfest/Jamfest Saturday, November 6, 2004 7 PM



Guinda Grange Hall Forest Street, Guinda Dessert Potluck For more info call Trudie @ 796-3312 or Marian @ 796-3424



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Syrah & Chocolate a bottle of Capay Valley Vineyards' Syrah covered in dark chocolate

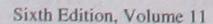
Syrah truffles

Gift boxes - wine and logo wine glasses

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Place your holiday orders at Esparto Farmers Market - November 13

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TIPS FOR PARENTS AND FAMILIES



Parents and families want to provide young children with the best beginning for a happy, productive life. Two important ingredients for success start during the first five years of life - good health and school readiness.

Your child's learning starts early - long before that first day at

Parents of infants, toddlers and young preschoolers can prepare their child for school by:

- Playing, singing and talking with your child everyday.
- Loving them and showing them you are interested in who they are as people.
- Keeping them safe and comfortable.
- Giving them chances to see and do new things.
- Reinforcing positive behavior and redirecting them from dangerous or negative behavior.
- Allowing them to make age-appropriate choices.
- Encouraging the child's imagination through games and stories.
- Helping them develop a sense of humor.

Helping them make friends and learn to play with other children.

For more information about preparing youngsters ages 0 – 5 years for school and keeping them healthy, contact the Yolo County Children and Families Commission.

> This information is provided as a public service by: **Yolo County Children and Families Commission** 403 Court Street Woodland, CA 95695 530-669-2475

ESPARTO REGION BEGINS ITS COLLABORATIVE **EFFORTS**



The Esparto Region Collaborative which is being hosted by RISE, Inc. held its first meeting on October 15th, 2004. Over 18 community agencies throughout Yolo county came together to bring all of their valuable expertise to the table. Our first

spotlight individual to give a presentation on his agency was Thomas Nelson, Executive Director from the Capay Valley Vision. The collaborative offers the means for agencies to exchange information regarding their programs and to develop program delivery strategies specific to the Western Region. Every month the collaborative will be spotlighting an agency to give a short five minute presentation regarding their program(s). This gives each program a chance to share with others the services their agency offers throughout the community. It is also a time to brainstorm on how to obtain needed services in the Capay Valley.

The Collaborative will be meeting every THIRD Friday of the month. Our next meeting will be on November 19th, 2004 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 about their 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)787-4110.

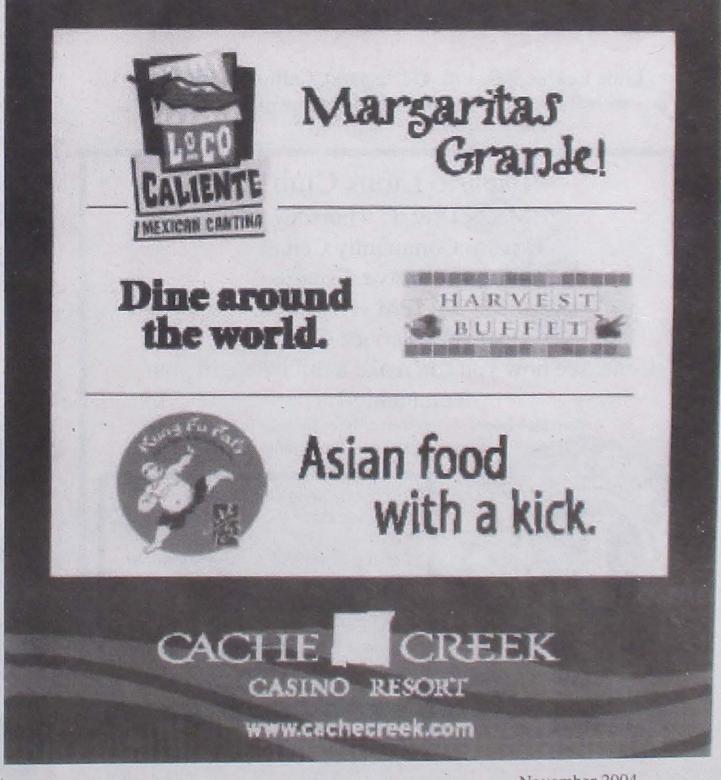


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ESPARTO LITTLE LEAGUE





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Esparto Little League is actively seeking volunteers to help with this sea-
son. A successful season requires a good group of volun-
teers. Volunteering can be very fun and give you the knowledge that you

teers. 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 Treasurer: Lavella Kieny 787-1706

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

Esparto Lions Club

Meets 1st & 3rd Thursday Esparto Community Center 17020 Yolo Ave, Esparto 7PM

Esparto's Service Club

Come see how you can make a difference in your community!

See Dan Lopez @ the Burger Barn for more info call Pres. Jim Schulte 796-4441



Order your Sees Candy for Christmas Gifts! HOW?

1) @ the Esparto Farmers Market in November

2) stop by the Burger Barn in Esparto 3) call Paul Martin 796-3312

Madison Playground Equipment Has been Ordered!!!!

ager	equipment to coaches. Most time is spent in the preseason weeks	2 nours per week	
Fred Balabas	Our primary fundraiser is the fireworks booth. Additional opportunities fundraising through local businesses.	2 -3 hours per week during fundraising only	
	Use the LL riding mower and mow the field. Ensure field is watered and general appearance is maintained.	1 hr per week	
)	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!	
3	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	
	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 Cere- mony Coordina- tor	Coordinate and organize opening day ceremonies. Fairly simple, lots of folks with past experience to help.	4 hours, one time deal.	
Closing Ceremo- nies 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 Score- board 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 Coor- dinator	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 Main- tainer	Respond to requests from LL staff to update the web- site 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	1 hour per month!	

Description

Organize, order, purchase and distribute supplies and

Each team needs a person to keep score at each

game. We can easily train anyone for this simple

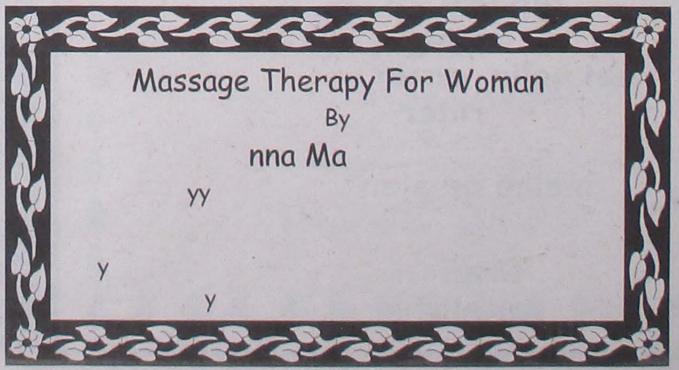
Time Estimate

1.5 - 2 hrs each

week

game, 1-2 days per

2 hours per week



Yolo Supervisors Accuse Outside Interests of "Lies and Distortion" in Conaway Judge Rules Against Si-**Ranch Mail Piece**

Yolo County Supervisors today reacted angrily to "distortions and outright lies" contained in a mail piece concerning their efforts to preserve and protect Conaway Ranch for the public use and benefit of County residents. The mailer, from a Sacramento non-profit organization, People's Advocate, hit Yolo County mailboxes last week.

"I've been in politics a long time," said Board Chairman Mike McGowan. "I've never seen so many distortions and out-

right lies as there are in this mail piece."

The 17,300-acre Conaway Ranch is currently controlled by bankrupt out-of-state National Energy & Gas Transmission (NEGT), a spin-off of PG&E Properties, and is used mostly for farming. The Ranch has 50,000 acre-feet of water rights. After NEGT put the property up for sale, it summarily rejected the County's request to negotiate. NEGT then announced it would conduct a confidential bidding, which excluded the County's participation under California law. That's when Supervisors, as a last resort, began efforts to purchase the property through eminent domain. McGowan said he wanted to set the record straight:

- · The County has had numerous public discussions with active public input on this issue and will continue to reach out to the public.
- The Board of Supervisors has directed staff to obtain funding outside of the County General Fund.
- Eminent domain proceedings are required because maintaining public ownership of this property is the only way to ensure that the land and its resources are not acquired by a private entity that does not have Yolo County citizens' current and future best interests at heart.
- NEGT placed an advertisement in the Sacramento Business Journal as a willing seller for the Conaway Ranch property and rejected the County's initial bid.

Preserving the status quo of the Ranch-including agricultural practices-is the sole purpose in the County acquiring the Ranch.

"It is extremely naive to suggest that this property will never be developed," McGowan said. "In 1992, a group made up of PG&E Properties and other developers expressed interest in building up to 40,000 homes on 2,500 acres of the Ranch. If this property were sold to a developer, the continued agricultural use of the land would be at grave risk. And what if an out-of-town buyer wanted to sell the water rights? Not a lot of farming can occur in that area without water!"

Referring to the mailer, Board Vice Chair Helen Thomson said unnamed special interests - with financial backing - are

trying to subvert the Board's actions for the public interest.

"Someone spent a lot of money to put out this mailer," said Board Vice Chair Helen Thomson. "They're trying to scare the Supervisors so we'll back down, but it only makes me more convinced that we're doing the right thing for the people of Yolo County. I don't appreciate out-of-towners with a hidden agenda and a fat bankroll, deliberately spreading lies like this."

erra Club Challenge To **Dairy Expansion**

Judge Thomas Warriner of Yolo Superior Court on Tuesday determined that the Sierra Club petition filed in August challenging the Board of Supervisors' decision to approve the expansion of the Cache Creek Dairy in Yolo County was filed too late. The Board's action was taken during an April 6,

2004 Board meeting.

At the 10/19 hearing, Judge Warriner ruled that the Sierra Club's petition was filed after the statute of limitations had run out. The Judge found that the 90-day limitation period commenced April 6, 2004 and expired July 6, 2004. The Sierra Club's petition was filed August 19, 2004.

"We expect to be moving forward with the assurances we gave to the public, and as directed by the Board of Supervisors, that all environmental protection measures will be followed," said John Bencomo, County Planning and Public Works Director.

The Cache Creek Dairy is owned by Jack and Ellie Mae Kasbergen and is located in western Yolo County.

For more information, contact Suzanne Mikesell, Yolo County Public Information Officer, at 530-666-8150.



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News from the Countryside Community Church

Thanksgiving Service at Countryside Community Church

Come add to the autumn spirit by joining Countryside Community Church's Thanksgiving service on Sunday, November 21st at 2:00pm. This is an annual ecumenical service combining all of the churches in the Capay Valley.

If you have never joined us before—come. This is a party! If you like Gospel singing that takes the roof off to the heart-felt twang of old-time hymns...then this is the place for you. It is so-much-fun. This could easily be a concert at the Mondovi Center, but it's right here in our valley.

If you would like to know more information go to our website at www.countrysidechurch.us or call Pastor Pamela at (530) 787-3586. There is a dessert reception to follow so make sure to bring your sweet tooth!

40 Days of Purpose Celebration Sunday

Countryside Community Church, in combination with other churches in the valley, are wrapping up their 40 Days of Purpose on Sunday, November 7. This has been an exciting program that has helped folks look at their spiritual walk at a deeper level through daily readings, small groups, signing up for volunteer positions, and looking at missions beyond their boundaries.

We would encourage you to join us at 10:30am for our church service to hear what the small group experiences have been like and to have a time of celebration and fellowship together. Following the service, we will have a meal together, so please join us. We would love to have you there! For more information, go to our website at www.countrysidechurch.us or call Pastor Pamela at (530) 787-3586. If you are able to RSVP, that would be helpful for us to know how much food to prepare. Thank you!

Hanging of the Greens

On Sunday, November 28, Countryside Community Church will have their "Hanging of the Greens" service at 10:30am. This is the first Sunday of Advent that begins our Christmas season culminating with the celebration of Christ's birth.

Hanging of the Greens is an old-time tradition to decorate the church with greenery, poinsettias, candles, colors, ornaments, lights and much, much more to get us ready for the season. This is a really delightful service to help transition us from Thanksgiving to Christmas. Please join us. For more information go to our website at www.countrysidechurch.us or call Pastor Pamela at (930) 787-3586.

Youth Group

Countryside Community Church is proud to announce that they have just hired two new youth directors for their Thursday Night Together program. UCDavis students Julie Merchad and Max Critchfield will be the dynamic duo to help Jr. High and High School students grow deeper in their faith through Bible studies, cool talks and exciting retreats. Just you wait...this is going to be a blast!

Youth Group meets every Thursday night at Countryside Church from 6:30-8:00pm. For more information, go to our website at www.countrysidechurch.us or leave a message for Julie or Max at (530) 787-3586.

Madison Playground Christmas Fiesta Dinner



Homemade Enchiladas & Tacos, Rice & Beans, Salad No Host Bar Tickets \$10 Each, Children under 12 \$5

Saturday, December 4th
4:00-7:00pm
Contact Brenda Lopes 662-1767 or The Burger Barn in Esparto for more information

Madison Town Hall

GET READY!!!!

Madison Park Playground Equipment is ordered! If the weather cooperates, we will install it on November 19, 20, & 21st. Anyone willing to assist please call Brenda Lopes @ 662-1767 or Paul Martin @ 796-3312. We need workers and support ie food, drinks & cheer leaders!

December 4th will be the dedication & a fundraising dinner for the last details of the Project & to say thank you for all the contributors!! This has been a fabulous example of our community working together to achieve a worthwhile goal!



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Corner Kick



One of my goals over the last couple of years has been to strengthen the girls' soccer program. Mrs. Christina Gonzalez gave a boost to the program last year when she took over before the season started a team with only a handful of signups, and recruited until she had enought 12-13 year old girls for TWO teams. Trini Campbell has also been instrumental in bringing in more girls to the sport.

This year we have three new coaches for our girls:

Mary Tharp, Maria Morales and Brian Paddock. We have one more team than we did last year, and would have had two if we had had more time to register before the scheduler said "no more time!". Still I and the AYSO board are delighted to see 65 girls participating in our program this year, including 22 on one team, a very competitive 19 to 14. Also, let me not forget one new female referee, Mrs. Erika Williams, who joins a very accomplished referee, Maria Borges from Madison.

This year I am told the Esparto High School will have a girls' soccer team. Dru Rivers and Jan Villela are the coaches.

It is rewarding to see these girls learning the lessons of teamwork and competition which will enable and empower them to not just be good athletes, but stronger participants in the decision making processes of our families, communities and society. Larry Mayer, regional commissioner,

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 on the corner of Grafton & Freemont Street. 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 beginning a new routine.

October'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 our names. Our group also celebrated Mauricio Barajas' birthday and joined the Esparto Elementary School's annual Halloween Parade.

A "BIG THANK" to 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!!!!!!!!"

Film Script Features Capay Valley —Available at Esparto Library



Italian screenwriter Tommaso Scutari, using his artist name John J. Greenflowers, has gifted one of ten signed copies of his new film script"5 Days B4...back 2 life" to the Esparto Regional Library. The three act screenplay written for the movie industry is in its original language, Italian. Translated version will be available soon. Below is a letter Mr. Scutari sent accompanying his gift.

To the Capay Valley People,

The seventh day God was tired and decided to spend his holiday in Capay Valley. Oh! I remember God,

He was walking across your country, on a white horse, together with his Son and the Holy Spirit: he went down from the horse and sat at the top of the Canyon, smiling. A fresh wind came far from the Pacific sea, moving the hairs of God. God had a look around Capay Valley: his happiness was so great that he cried. The tears of God ran down fast along his white beard, and more down straight into the bottom of the canyons, filling them: the tears of God made the Cache Creek river.

The Dreams Country was born.

I can feel the heart of Capay Valley people beating inside my soul. I can see the people working hard every day, looking to give hope and peace to the next generations. I can see at the top also Joshua, sat down by the fire, beside God: telling Him many stories...the "Joshua tales on the Cache Creek." I can see the American mothers shedding tears into the Cache Creek river: I can see the never-ending happiness of their sons, dead for freedom.

One river, many tears. The tears of a happy God and the tears of the grieved mothers: blended, all together, forever. In the same river...the Holy river.

Like a wild horse riding along the Cache Creek my heart is looking for a piece of God.

I can see the children, dreaming, smiling and playing in the meadows of Capay Valley with their families.

One day I'll touch the waters of the Cache Creek river and I'll quench my thirst of God, my thirst of peace, my thirst of dreams.

God bless the World.

Lake of Como, Tuesday, 05 October 2004 John J. Greenflowers (aka Tommaso Scutari)



Getting a jump on learning to write their names at the Pre-Kinder Ready Play group.

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El Grupo de Listo Para El Kinder empieza sus Sesiones

"¡Vienga a Leer, Cantar y

Juegar con nosotros!"

Nuestra primera sesión del grupo de Juego empiezo el martes, 5 de octubre 2004. Nuesto grupo del Juego se encontra todos los martes y jueves de las 9:00-11:30am. Nos reonimos en el Centro de Aprendesaje Universal localizado en el rincón de las calles de Grafton y Freemont. ¡Vengan a acompanarnos para Lectura, Cancion y Jugo! ¡Los niños de 3-5 años de la edad y su padre's está bienvenidos! !!!

Este mes de Octubre era la tema de 'los Cambios'. Estaremos observando 'los Cambios' en nuestro ambiente, los hogares y dentro de nosotros mismos. Los niños estarán experimentando un cambio grande, en viniendo a nuestros Grupos de Juego. El focal de este mes incluyo actividades de leer etiquetas con retratos, cantando y escuchar cuentos. Los niños han tenido la oportunidad de utilizar pintura, dibujar, contar y prácticar a escribir sus nombres. Este mes nosotros celebramos el cumpleaños de Mauricio Barajas y nosotros estaremos uniendos con la Escuela primaria de Esparto's para el Desfile anual de la Víspera de todos los santos.

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

"Vengan a Leer, Cantar y Juegar con

nosotros! !!!!!!!!!"



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Return to our website at www.yolospca.org

2. Download and print out an application and fill it out.

3. Fax the application, not the "BIO" sheet to 530 758-2648, please include the "NAME" of the pet you are interested & the internal ID code (Letter & 2-digits) in on the application.

4. WE will contact you when we are ready or need more info. Since we get many applications and are volunteers, we may not call you. We only call if we want to further meet with you and feel you may be a match for one of our foster animals. Please e-mail if you have additional questions



Local Childcare Teacher Joins RISE Inc.

RISE Inc. welcomed Nellie Tunstall as part of the playgroup staff after working for many years as a Pre-school Teacher in the Woodland area. She brings her expertise in the child development field and the enthusiasm of her love of children to share with the families we serve. One of Nellie's qualities is the ability to gather children's attention through the usage of puppets and flannel characters. Her presentation of stories has brought to life the many characters in books that continue to be read to the children. We invite you to join us and visit with Nellie as we proceed with the playgroups that RISE Inc. provides for the community.

Our playgroups are free and open to anyone with children 0-5 years of age. For more information on our programs please call us at (530) 787-4110.

Una Maestra local Acompaña el Programa de RISE Inc.

El programa de RISE Inc. le doy la bienvenida a Nellie Tunstall como parte del personal de la guardería, después de trabajar durante muchos años siendo una Maestra Pre-escolar en el área de Woodland. Ella trae su expericia de desarrollo de niño y el entusiasma de su amor de niños para compartir con las familias que les ofercemos servicios. Una buena habilidad de Nellie es reunir la atención de los niños por el uso de caracteres de títeres y franela. Su presentación de cuentos ha traído vida a los caracteres en los libros que continúan ser leídos a los niños. Nosotros les invitamos que nos acompañen y que visiten a Nellie ya que hemos comenzado nuestros reunions con los grupos que RISE Inc. proporciona para la comunidad. Nuestras grupos de ninos son gratis y abiertas a cualquiera familia que tiene niños de 0-5 años de edad. Para más información sobre nuestros programas por favor de llamar al numero (530) 787-4110.

LA REGION DE ESPARTO EMPIEZA SUS **ESFUERZOS COLABORATIVOS**

La Región del Esparto colaborativa que es patrocinada por RISE, Inc., tuvo su primera reunión el 15 de Octubre, 2004. Sobre 18 agencias de la comunidad a través de condado de Yolosse reunió a traer toda su experiencia valiosa a la mesa. El primer individuo que nos dio una breve presentación de su agencia era Thomas Nelson, el Director ejecutivo de la Visión del Valle de Capay. Nuestro colaborativo es un medio bueno para agencias en cambiar información con respecto a sus programas y para desarrollar estrategias específicas para la Región Occidental. El cooperativo estará iluminando una agencia para dar una breve presentación con respecto a su programa (programas). Cada mes vamos a ofrecer una oportunidad alas agencies que comparten informacion acerca de todos los servicios que ellos ofrecen a través de la comunidad. Es también un tiempo de poner en común acerca de como obtener los servicios más necesitados para el Valle de Capay.

El colaborativo se reunira cada TERCER viernes del mes. Nuestra próxima reunión sera el 19 de Noviembre, 2004 de las 9:00 AM hasta las 11:30 AM. La junta sera en el centro social de Esparto localizado en 17120, Avenida de Yolo en Esparto. Si usted esta interesado en acompanarnos en tomar parte de un equipo muy importante, y hacer una diferencia para familias, por favor juntese con nosotros. Alentamos a cada agencia que traiga las materiales acerca de su agencia para compartir. Si usted tiene cualquiera pregunta acerca del colaborativa o la necesidad para asistir nuestras reuniones, por favor llame a RISE, Inc. y pregunte por María Barrientos en (530)787-4110.



"Toddler Too!" News

During the month of October 2004, the "Toddler Too Group" started off with a bang. So far we had two group sessions which took place at the Universal Early Learning Center, located corner of Fremont and Grafton Street. The first part of the year we'll be focusing on social skills with activities that will included music, singing, and dancing. The children took part in activities that included shape recognition and celebration of Halloween. We will also be participating in a Halloween Parade at the Esparto Elementary School on October 29,2004. The Next "Toddler Too!" play group meets on Wednesday, November 3rd, 2004 at the Universal Early Learning Center on the corner of Grafton and Fremont Street. Session begins at 9:00 am. and end at 10:30 am.. To get on our mailing list call 530-787-4110 or Come by the RISE Inc. office 16858 Yolo Avenue Downtown Esparto

Noticias de programa "Pequeños También!"

Durante el mes de octubre 2004, el grupo "Pequeños También" empezó en forma fuerte. Hasta ahora tuvimos dos sesiones del grupo que sucedieron en el Centro De Aprendizaje Universal y localizado en la esquina de las calles Fremont y Grafton. La primera parte del año nosotros enfocaremos en las habilidades sociales con actividades en música, cantar, y bailes. Los niños tomaron parte en las actividades que incluyeron el reconocimiento de las formas y la celebración de la Víspera de todos los santos. Tambien tomanmos parte en un desfile de la Víspera de todos los santos con la Escuela Primaria de Esparto el 29 de octubre 2004.

La próximo junta de grupo "Pequeños También!"
Sera el miércoles, 3 de noviembre 2004
en el Centro De Aprendizaje Universal
en al esquina de las calles Fremont y Grafton.
La session empieza a las 9:00 – 10:30 am..
Para recibir información por correo llame al numero
(530) 787-4110 o pase por la oficina de RISE
localizada en 16858 Yolo Avenue Centro de
Esparto



Mommy & Me Group Begins It's Third Season!

The Mommy & Me Group had their first session on October 13th with an attendance of 10 moms and 1 dad. With this being our third season, it was great to see some familiar faces as well as new comers. We wish to thank the participants for supporting this program which has grown throughout the years. It has definitely proven to be a success in meeting the needs of those individuals who are first time moms as well as allowing seasoned parents to share their experiences. In meeting with the parents we not only provide workshops on Child Development but also bring in community resources that they can connect with.

Our Mommy & Me group meets regularly every other Wednesday from 9-10:30 a.m. at the Universal Early Learning Center located on the corner of Grafton & Fremont street in Esparto. For more information on how to enroll, please contact Oralia at RISE Inc. at 787-4110.

¡El Grupo de Mami Y Mí Empieza Su Tercera Temporada!

El grupo de Mami y Mí tuvo su primera sesión el 13 de octubre con una asistencia de 10 mamás y 1 papá. Con esto siendo nuestra tercera temporada, era eminente en ver algunas caras familiares así como a algunos padres nuevos. Deseamos dar gracias a los participantes para sostener este programa que ha crecido a través de los años. Este programa ha definitivamente probado en tener un gran éxito en satisfacer las necesidades de individuos que son mamás por primera vez así como permitir a padres que ya tienen niños compartir sus experiencias. En la reunión con los padres nosotros no sólo proporcionamos talleres en el Desarrollo de Niños pero introducimos también recursos de la comunidad que les pueden ofercer servicios.

Nuestra grupo de Mami y Mí se junta regularmente cada otro miércoles desde las 9 hasta las 10:30 de la mañana en el Central de Aprendizaje Universal Temprano que esta localizado en el rincón de las calles Grafton Y Fremont en Esparto. Para más información en cómo matricularse, pongase en contacto con Oralia en la ofecina de RISE Inc. al numero (530) 787-4110.



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

<u>Home Schooling Cooperative</u>, Call Elvira Paoletti, 908-2471

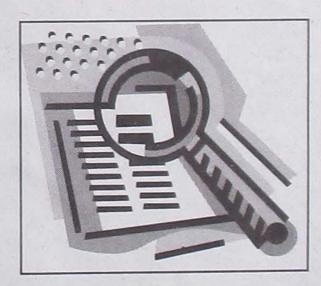
WIC Services is located in the Esparto Family Practice office at 17050 South Grafton St. For an appt. call (209) 870-5000.

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
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