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## Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation and Yolo County Approve Agreement to Provide County and Area Stakeholders More than \$161 Million Over 22 Years

The Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation and Yolo County have approved an intergovernmental agreement that will provide the county and others more than \$161 million for a range of public uses over the next 22 years. The mitigation agreement is in connection with the expansion of the hotel at Cache Creek Casino Resort and will deliver resources for public safety, local Capay Valley programs, roads, public transit and the county's general fund. Through careful collaboration, tribal and county leaders have agreed to benefits not normally part of such pacts.

"We are very pleased and excited about the agreement because it will provide valuable resources focused specifically on important programs and concerns in the county and valley we share as our home," said Yocha Dehe Tribal Chairman Leland Kinter. "This shows how much we can achieve by working together, government-to-government, as partners."

While mitigation agreements are now mandatory for tribes building or expanding gaming operations, Yocha Dehe has long exceeded what is required. It entered into an agreement with Yolo County in 2002, to the financial benefit of the county and community, when none was legally required. This new deal provides more resources and revenue than even required today.

"This agreement builds upon our previous landmark agreement, strengthens our government-to-government relationship and further demonstrates the Tribe's deep commitment to our community," said Yolo County Supervisor Oscar Villegas.

The agreement technically covers mitigation required to minimize or eliminate off-reservation physical impacts of the Cache Creek hotel expansion, and reimburses Yolo County for costs it incurs because of gaming operations. Plus, it provides the county and the local community direct payments for enhancements and improvements that have nothing to do with gaming-related impacts.

Specifically, the pact requires the Tribe to:

- Pay Yolo County \$1.5 million within 90 days of the start of construction, plus \$6.16 million each year (adjusted over time for inflation) as reimbursement for gaming-related costs and additional dollars for the county's discretionary general fund;
- Commit \$300,000 per year (nearly \$7 million over the life of the agreement) for Capay Valley Community specific projects and initiatives, payable directly by the Tribe;
- Pay for two more sheriff's deputies and vehicles to serve Capay Valley; \$20,000 annually for the California Highway Patrol; and \$50,000 per year for local emergency and fire service districts;
- Fund up to \$5 million in CalTrans road improvements on Highway 16;
- Further enhance public transit with subsidies and programs (on top of the \$1.5 million the Tribe already provides annually), and
- Continue environmentally sustainable practices and aesthetic design commitments.

Yolo County and the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation worked collaboratively to identify issues of shared concern and develop the agreement, with participation by Yocha Dehe's Tribal Council and an ad hoc subcommittee of the Board of Supervisors. The agreement takes effect immediately upon execution by the parties. Construction of the hotel expansion is expected to begin in coming weeks.

"The Tribe has been a great partner," said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Duane Chamberlain. "We look forward to this new chapter in our collaborative relationship."

"The hotel expansion is going to offer great benefits to our county and valley, generating hundreds of construction and permanent jobs, and serving as an important entertainment asset as our region grows as a tourist destination," added Chairman Kinter. "It is great to be starting with such a strong, cooperative agreement with the county, focused on delivering important benefits to the local community as well. Everyone wins under our new agreement."

Submitted by Beth Gabor, Yolo County Public Information Officer



May 2017

### Friends of the Esparto Regional Library and the Big Day of Giving 2017

The **Big Day of Giving** is a regional, 24 hour, online day of giving to support local non-profit organizations and will be on Thursday, May 4, 2017. The Friends of the Esparto Regional Library is a participating organization. Give to FERL online on this day to raise funds for library programs and services. FERL's mission is to promote lifelong learning.

Visit: [bigdayofgiving.org](http://bigdayofgiving.org) to give to FERL online on May 4, 2017 between midnight and 11:59 p.m. Contact Nina Andres at [liveoakfarm@gvni.com](mailto:liveoakfarm@gvni.com) for more information. Submitted by Nina Andres, FERL Board Member

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5/10: Terry Sheets  
5/17: Bad Moon Rising  
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# CAPAY VALLEY VISION

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## Capay Valley Vision to Host Meeting on the Capay Valley Action Plan

Capay Valley Vision will be hosting a facilitated community meeting on Wednesday June 7, 2017 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Alice Marsh Hall, Esparto High School, 26675 Plainfield Street, about the **Capay Valley Action Plan**, a planning document that identifies and prioritizes regional needs in the areas of Recreation, Infrastructure, Economic Development, Social Services, Ag Tourism, Education, Housing, Water, Traffic, Safety Services, Community Advocacy, and Communications. Four stakeholder meetings, facilitated by Jim Rix, were held from October 2016 to January 2017 to create a draft Capay Valley Action Plan. Representatives from over 20 community groups participated in the creation of the Capay Valley Action Plan. Examples of community needs identified during the planning sessions include: high speed Internet access, a full service health care clinic, county road improvements, community hall upgrades, and increased hours of operation at the Esparto Regional Library.

The draft Capay Valley Action Plan will be available for review after May 15 at [www.capayvalleyvision.org](http://www.capayvalleyvision.org) and at the Esparto Regional Library. The planning project is funded by a grant from the Yolo County Rural Initiative Fund, the Heitman Foundation, and Capay Valley Vision. At the June meeting, community members will have an opportunity to provide input on the priority projects outlined in the Capay Valley Action Plan. The completed document will provide a planning tool for local, state, tribal and federal governments to direct resources to the region. For additional information, contact Capay Valley Vision President Leo Refsland at **(530)-723-4054**. Submitted by Trini Campbell

Capay Valley Vision organizará una junta comunitaria el miércoles 7 de junio del 2017 de 6:30 p.m. a 8:30 p.m. en el Alice Marsh Hall, Escuela Preparatoria de Esparto, 26675 Plainfield Street, sobre el Plan de Acción del Valle de Capay. Un documento de planificación que identifica y prioriza las necesidades regionales en las áreas de Recreación, Infraestructura, Desarrollo Económico, Servicios Sociales, Turismo de Agricultura, Educación, Vivienda, Agua, Tráfico, Servicios de Seguridad, Defensa Comunitaria y Comunicaciones. Cuatro reuniones de las partes interesadas, facilitadas por Jim Rix, se llevaron a cabo desde octubre de 2016 hasta enero de 2017 para crear un proyecto de Plan de Acción del Valle de Capay. Representantes de más de 20 grupos comunitarios participaron en la creación del Plan de Acción del Valle de Capay. Ejemplos de necesidades de la comunidad identificadas durante las sesiones de planificación incluyen: acceso al Internet de alta velocidad, una clínica de servicios completos de salud, mejoras en las carreteras del condado, mejoras en los salones comunitarios y un aumento de horas de operación en la Biblioteca Regional de Esparto.

El proyecto de Plan de Acción de Capay Valley estará disponible para revisión después del 15 de mayo de 2017 en [www.capayvalleyvision.org](http://www.capayvalleyvision.org) y en la Biblioteca Regional de Esparto. El proyecto de planificación está financiado por una subvención del Fondo de Iniciativa Rural del Condado de Yolo, la Fundación Heitman y Capay Valley Vision. En la reunión de junio, los miembros de la comunidad tendrán la oportunidad de dar su opinión sobre los proyectos prioritarios esbozados en el Plan de Acción de Capay Valley. El documento completo proporcionará una herramienta de planificación para que los gobiernos locales, estatales, tribales y federales destinen recursos a la región. Para obtener información adicional, comuníquese con el presidente de Capay Valley Vision, Leo Refsland, al **(530)-723-4054**. Submitted by Trini Campbell



*Pictured above left to right: James Kinter, Yocha Dehe Tribal Secretary, Gary Fredericksen, Yocha Dehe Fire Chief, Andrew Brooks, YDFD Firefighter of the Year, Mia Durham, Yocha Dehe Tribal Council Member, Matthew Lowell, Jr., Yocha Dehe Tribal Council Member and Anthony Roberts, Yocha Dehe Tribal Treasurer)*

### **Annual Luncheon Celebrates Service of Yocha Dehe Fire Department and Public Safety Partners**

The Yocha Dehe Tribal Council, tribal citizens, and community members and leaders joined on April 20 for the eighth annual Awards Luncheon to pay tribute to the firefighters of the Yocha Dehe Fire Department (YDFD). Yocha Dehe Tribal Secretary and Fire Commission Chairman James Kinter welcomed attendees to the Fire Station in Brooks and thanked firefighters saying, "This event is for you, to honor your commitment and dedication to this department. We commend all of you for making our communities safer and better places to live."

Reflecting on the teamwork essential for protecting public safety, the Secretary also paid tribute to the many fire departments with which YDFD works on an ongoing basis. "We must give a special thanks to our automatic aid and mutual aid partners for their dedication and teamwork. Without these partnerships, YDFD would not be where it is today."

The luncheon featured the presentation of YDFD's annual awards, which are determined by a vote of YDFD firefighters. Fire Chief Gary Fredericksen presented this year's Chuck Garton Leadership Award to Captain Scott Stimson. Firefighter/EMT Andrew Brooks was named Firefighter of the Year.

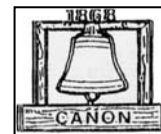
Retiring Esparto Fire Chief Barry Burns was also recognized by the Yocha Dehe Tribal Council for his more than 45 years of dedication and commitment to the Capay Valley community.

*Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation is an independent, self-governed nation that supports our citizens and the Capay Valley, California community by strengthening our culture, stewarding our land and creating economic independence for future generations. (www.yochadehe.org)*

*Yocha Dehe Fire Department (YDFD) provides full service fire and life safety response for its local community and beyond. It is the only internationally accredited tribal fire department in the world. The department has 32 uniformed and three administrative employees and a full complement of equipment. In addition to fire suppression and emergency medical services, YDFD performs technical rescues, including swift-water, trench, confined-space, low-angle, vehicle extrication and specialized search and rescue. (www.yochadehe.org/tribal-government/yocha-dehe-fire-department)*

Submitted by Greg Larsen

### **Esparto School District News Diego Ochoa, Superintendent**



#### **2017-2018 School Staffing:**

There has been much discussion around the State of California regarding the Teacher Hiring Crisis. Newspapers throughout our state have published articles about this issue. The California School Board Association has been a part of research projects showing that many school districts have struggled to fill open positions since 2015.

Thankfully, the Esparto Unified School District is not facing this problem. Our district recently hired a new 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, Isela Martinez, and a new high school English teacher, Ashlyn Shoblom; this means that we are nearly fully staffed for the 2017-2018 school year.

In prior years we have had a difficult time retaining our teachers and attracting new ones. This year is much different for many reasons. First and foremost, we have supported our classroom teachers and staff. We have increased technology throughout the district. We have asked school principals to work collaboratively with their staff to come up with new ideas to inspire students. We also negotiated pay raises for the 2016-17 and 2017-18 school years.

**1<sup>ST</sup> Annual Esparto Color Run**  
**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Sunday May 21st, 2017**  
**9:00 a.m. Start**  
 Early Registration \$20 until May 4th. After May 21st- \$25  
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 Registration will include Shirt, Color packet & Bib #  
 After Color Run, a Celebration will take place out in the Elementary School Field with Music, BBQ and Bounce House. \$5 food ticket can be purchased in advanced or on the day of the event. Course will be held on both campuses.  
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**Esparto Elementary School News**  
Erika St. Andre, Principal

Thank you to all the families who supported our Spring Book Fair and Family Literacy Night! The Book Fair was the most profitable in our school's history, and we had over 150 people in attendance at Camp Read S'More.

May will be a very busy month for Esparto Elementary School. Here are a few of the activities going on:

- **May 1-15: California Assessment of Student Progress and Performance (CAASPP) grades 3<sup>rd</sup>—5<sup>th</sup>**
- **May 1-5: Parent Teacher Organization's Teacher Appreciation Week**
- **May 18: Open House 6:00—7:30 p.m.**
- **May 29: Memorial Day Holiday**
- **May 31: Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast 7:30 a.m.**
- **CAASPP Testing Readiness**

Our teachers and students have been working hard throughout the school year, and the **CAASPP** is one measure of student learning. In order to help your child do their best, please consider these tips for being prepared:

- Set a regular bedtime that allows for at least 8-9 hours of sleep.
- Eat a healthy breakfast.
- Arrive at school by 7:45 a.m..

**RISE Summer Program**

Summer is right around the corner and the RISE After School Program will be having its Summer Program again this year. This is a fun and safe place for your children to be during the summer. The RISE Summer Program provides morning and afternoon snacks plus lunch. Your children will be able to play games, go on field trips, and be able to do arts and crafts.

**Start Date: June 12, 2017**

**Where: Esparto Park**

**Who: K-5 Grade**

**Cost: FREE**

Registration will be Monday May 15, 2017. Registration packets can be picked up at the RISE, Inc. office or at the After School Program at Esparto Elementary School. There are only 80 spots and they fill up quickly!

Registration is done on a first come, first serve basis. Submitted by the RISE Staff



Pictured above and to the right are students participating in the RISE Summer Program in previous years.



**Esparto Middle School**  
Sherrie Vann, Principal

Our community has been so supportive of the Esparto schools and we thank you! A few select students have been able to give back with a special project partnering with the Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts in Davis.

Six of our bilingual students volunteered to become Hosts for an event at the Mondavi Center. As Hosts, the students worked with families that were new to the Mondavi Center and spoke only Spanish. The students escorted the families through the entire experience from greeting them at the door, sitting with them through the performance, and sending them off after the show. Maribel Gamino and Maria Aguirre did a great job hosting the families from Family Hui Mainland. The families and Hosts enjoyed a Sunday matinee performance of DIAVOLO. The Family Hui Coordinator said the families were very thankful for the Hosts and really appreciated being welcomed in their own language. Both Maribel and Maria had a good time and enjoyed the performance too.

Lesley Pelayo, Isabel Figueroa, and Jennifer Tamayo were Hosts for the groups of students from Esparto Elementary and Esparto Middle Schools who visited The Sound Maze. Lesley and Isabel did a great job and really helped with the 4th and 5th grade students from the elementary school. Jennifer hosted for the Esparto Middle School 6th graders. The girls were responsible and worked with the students on the instruments in the Sound Maze; showing them how to make the sounds and supervising the play.

Marlene Freid said, "I think those that participated did a great job!" As a fun fact we learned that Leslie Pelayo's father actually worked for a couple of months on the Mondavi Center when it was under construction in 2002! She never knew that he did that and when she was telling him about what she was going to be doing here, he told her about his work.

Esparto Middle School plans to continue this partnership with the Friends of the Mondavi Center in the coming school year. We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful center here in our area.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**PURPOSE:**

The Yolo County SELPA/Superintendents' Council will conduct a public hearing to receive comment by members of the community on the Yolo County SELPA Annual Service Plan, with CASEMIS service definitions, and Annual Budget Plan for 2017-2018.

**DATE:**

**Monday, May 8, 2017**

**TIME:**

**8:40 a.m.**

**LOCATION:**

**Yolo County Office of Education  
Community Room  
1280 Santa Anita Court, Suite 100  
Woodland, CA 95776-6127**

Submitted by Carolynne Bottum, Assistant Superintendent Yolo County SELPA

**Extended Hours for RISE in May**

RISE is extending its hours to better serve the community. This coming month the Esparto Office will be open on Saturday, May 13 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. It will also be open on Monday, May 15 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Make an appointment now to meet with our Resource and Referral Specialist. Call (530) 787- 3417. Submitted by the RISE Staff



**Esparto High School News**  
Jennifer Wiese, Principal

The month of May is full of events here on the Esparto High School campus. May marks the start of AP testing, CAASPP testing, the countdown to graduation and a lot of planning for next school year!

Students in our AP courses will take a variety of tests; Statistics, Human Geography, US History, European History, Spanish and English Literature. Students and teachers have been preparing for these exams all year and these exams offer students an opportunity to earn college credit while still in high school, so I wish them the best of luck.

April 26 & 27 and May 17 & 18, all 11th grade students will be participating in the **Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments**, which are part of the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) System. For more information please visit this website:

<http://www.smarterbalanced.org/parents/>

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- Match the learning goals of each grade levels
- Assess critical thinking, analytical writing, and problem solving skills, which are needed for success in college and a 21st century career.

And lastly, the senior class of 2017 is about to graduate and there are many events coming up for them and for all our students. Don't forget to get your caps, gowns and yearbooks ordered before its too late!

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**Upcoming Events:**

- May 3: FFA Banquet
- May 9: Open House
- May 12: National Honor Society Induction
- May 15: Senior Awards Night
- May 19: Senior Luau
- May 23: Blood Drive and Spring Sports Banquet
- May 24: Spartalympics
- May 26: Spartarama
- May 29: Memorial Day Holiday
- June 1-2: Final Exams (Minimum Days)
- June 2: Graduation



**MOTHER'S DAY IS ON MAY 14.**  
**Happy Mother's Day to all mothers.**



**Madison Community High School News**  
Veronica Michael, Principal

Madison Community High School had its Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) accreditation visit. Accreditation is important in order for students to be eligible for federal financial aid if they wish to pursue a college degree. Accreditation also sets a standard of quality for instruction, programming and materials. Our Visiting Committee was at Madison from April 23 through April 26. We anxiously await our results. Thank you to EUSD staff, Board of Trustees and parents for your support during this important event!

Students are quickly approaching the end of their 2016-17 academic year. Many students are close to successfully meeting their goals. The online curriculum that we use, *edgenuity*, is always available for your students to use after school hours and on the weekends. They may use that time to catch up, and, in some cases, get ahead. Madison students know that they can contact me by text or email if they need assistance.

Open House is Thursday, May 4 at 6:00 p.m. Please stop by to have your student demonstrate his or her online classes.

End of year conferences will be taking place at MCHS in mid-May. These conferences are **required** for Madison students. We will be discussing your student's attendance, behavior, credits, grades and options for next year.

We will be celebrating our graduates on Thursday, June 1, 2017! The Madison Community High School graduation ceremony will take place in the Esparto High School Auditorium at 6:00.

May 29 is the Memorial Day holiday.

**Yolo County Selpa Awards**

The Yolo County SELPA Community Advisory Committee (CAC) will be holding its annual awards ceremony honoring outstanding individuals for their noteworthy contributions to students and/or adults with special needs in Yolo County.

**This year's award recipients are:**

Nicole Chiamparino-Roper, Special Education Teacher	Davis JUSD
Cullen Smith, Para-Educator	Davis JUSD
<b>Mary Dixon, School Bus Driver</b>	<b>Esparto USD</b>
Sue Neander, Para-Educator	Winters JUSD
Jane Beauchane, Speech - Language Pathologist	Woodland JUSD
Denise Cottrell, Early Childhood Special Education Teacher	Woodland JUSD
Stephanie Ladd, Administrative Secretary	Woodland JUSD
Tina Turner, Para-Educator	Yolo Co. Office of Education

The awards ceremony will be held on Monday, May 8 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Conference Center of the Yolo County Office of Education, 1280 Santa Anita Court, Suite 120, Woodland, CA.

**The Esparto and Capay Valley communities thank and congratulate MARY DIXON for her many years of service (1998-2017) busing students to and from school. CONGRATULATIONS, MARY!**

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**St. Patrick's Day Dinner**

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To the following:

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- Capay Valley Leo's Club
- St. Martin Mission Confirmation Class
- Anne & Michael McDonald



Last but not least, thanks to my brother Knights of Columbus, West Yolo, Council #10058. Great job on the cooking. And to the ladies of Esparto St. Martin de Porres Altar Society for desserts & goodies. God Bless You All!

Submitted by Gabe Galvan, co-chair person

**Welcome to St. Martin De Porres  
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**Holy Eucharist**  
**Saturday 7:00 p.m. Spanish**  
**Sunday 8:30 a.m. English**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
**Saturday 6:30 p.m.**

We welcome visitors to our community.

If you are Catholic, but have not been to church lately, come by and see what your Church is like today.

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### Capay Valley Mother's Day Garden Tour

We would like to extend a warm welcome to gardening enthusiasts to our unique valley on **Mother's Day Sunday, May 14th for the annual Capay Valley Mother's Day Garden Tour**. Our valley is home to an amazing array of gardeners and farmers – from a 2 -acre homesteading garden to a 20- acre floral production field, we definitely have something to delight everyone.

Seven gardens will be on display sprinkled throughout the valley towns of Esparto, Capay, Brooks, Guinda and Rumsey. Along with the gardens there are other points of interest including the new Seka Hills Olive Mill and wine tasting rooms and the Capay Valley Vineyards tasting room –both of which have special delights for mothers on their special day. The Yolo Grange Hall is providing a “local lunch box” for those wanting to purchase a locally sourced meal.

The tour is self-guided so that you can take your time and linger at those gardens that really draw you in. It runs from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The garden tour costs \$10 per person, children under 12 are free.

Please visit [www.thecapayvalleygardentour.com](http://www.thecapayvalleygardentour.com) to purchase tickets online or email [capayvalleygardentour@gmail.com](mailto:capayvalleygardentour@gmail.com) for more information.

Submitted by Claire Main

### AYSO Signups

AYSO signups will be held on May 18 at Esparto Elementary School from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Many changes have been made this year to AYSO. AYSO will be changing from a **school year registration to a birth year registration** in order to align with other American youth soccer program providers interpretation of the U.S. Soccer Player Development Initiatives.

The effective date of age determination for registration shall be the player's age as of December 31, looking ahead of the Membership Year. For example: for MAY 2017, the division the child will be placed in will be determined based on their age on December 31, 2018. Instead of U6 (under 6), U8, etc., it is now 6U (6 and under), 8U, etc. For example if your child was born between January 1, 2008 and December 2008, then your child is 10 or under at the end of the membership year ahead (2018 for the upcoming signups), and placed in 10U.

In other words, determine the age of your child on December 2018 and your child will play in the even age division. The old way used July 31 as the date to determine age and the division was under 10, not the current 10 and under.

Fees have not been confirmed yet, but are likely to remain the same until July 1. (\$50 for first child, \$40 for each additional sibling). Uniforms are \$20.

We are also looking for a new Regional Commissioner for Capay Valley AYSO. *Consider this the official advertisement for the position.* Rogelio Lopez has already volunteered and unless anyone else wants to run against him we will welcome Rogelio to be our new regional commissioner. He is a fantastic person with a love for soccer. He will need help: coaches, referees, line painters, etc. Submitted by Brian Paddock, Assistant Regional Commissioner

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## Interested in Volunteering to Serve our Local Communities?

### Consider Membership in the Lions Club

Esparto Lions Club was chartered December 29, 1980 with the help of Sponsor Woodland Reveille Lions Club, both of which are located within District 4-C5. Esparto Lions Club serves Madison, Esparto, Capay, Brooks, Guinda and Rumsey. Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization with more than 1.4 million members in approximately 46,000 clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas around the world.



**Esparto Lions Club Meetings:  
1st & 3rd Thursday, 6:30 p.m..**

**Location:  
VFW Hall, 16812 Orleans St., Esparto, CA 95627**

**Contact Lion Gabe Galvan at (530)787-3892 or**

**For more information about the Esparto Lions Club, visit our website at <http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/esparto/index.php>**

**“We serve”- Lions Club**





### **New Area Businesses to Open**

The Taber Ranch Vineyard and Event Center is building a tasting room and Yolo Store on County Road 81 in Capay. (pictured above) The tasting room is a 4000 square foot venue at Taber Ranch Vineyard and Event Center offering wine tasting and other amenities to residents and visitors. There will be indoor and outdoor seating. The new building also includes a certified kitchen.

Owner Martin Armstrong described the tasting room as a place that is "one more link to the offerings of the region, from farm tours to dinners on organic farms to event centers in a beautiful rural region, the tasting room is an added attraction". The Yolo Store will sell locally produced farm and ranch products such as nuts, produce, wine, vinegar, eggs, and meat.

Taber Ranch Vineyard and Event Center plans to open the tasting room by July 29, 2017 which is the date of the Roots to Wine celebration of local grape growing, wine making, and wine tasting. Roots to Wine highlights eight wine producers in western Yolo County and offers the opportunity for people to taste wine in the vineyard where the grapes are grown.

In Esparto, the Shin family has purchased a 10 acre parcel behind Manas Custom Meats to build a mushroom growing facility. Sam and Sunhee Shin have been growing mushrooms and selling them at farmers' markets, to restaurants, and to wholesale businesses for over three decades.

According to the Berkeley Ecology Center farmer's market website: "After completing a mycological studies program at UC Davis in 1986, Sam Shin founded a commercial mushroom farm specializing in Shiitake and Oyster mushroom cultivation. At the time, few varieties other than White (Button) mushrooms were commercially produced in the United States, making Sam one of the earliest domestic producers of Shiitakes and Oysters, which are now very popular. Sam also pioneered growing methods for Eryngii mushrooms, which had not previously been cultivated on farms. In addition to their Vacaville site, where the Shins have a small orchard and a warehouse for their mushroom operation, they also own a property in Sonoma County where they forage for wild mushrooms like Chanterelles, Morells, and Porcinis."

Currently, the Shins produce over ten varieties of mushrooms at their facility in Vacaville. They also grow and market yellow sweet potatoes, jujubes, persimmons, and Asian pears. Submitted by Trini Campbell

### **Notice of Public Hearing**

Esparto Community Services District will conduct a public hearing on May 10, 2017 at 5:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, on the following. "Adoption of Resolution 17-04 authorizing the ECSD to enter into a joint exercise of powers agreement establishing the Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency for the purpose of acting as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Yolo Subbasin of the Sacramento Valley Groundwater Basin."

The hearing will be held at 26490 Woodland Ave in Esparto. Interested persons are invited to attend. In compliance with the ADA, if you need assistance to participate in this meeting, you should contact Steve Knightley (530) 787-4502. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable Esparto Community Services District to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to this meeting.

SGMA became a law on January 1, 2015. It mandates the creation of Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA) in groundwater basins defined as high or medium priority by the Department of Water Resources by June 30, 2017. It also mandates the preparation of Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSP) by January 2022, and implementation of a GSP for a 20-year period ending in 2042. Much of Yolo County exists within what is referred to as the Yolo Groundwater Subbasin, which is a high-priority basin.

The Water Resources Association of Yolo County (WRA) and Yolo County Farm Bureau have partnered to implement SGMA in Yolo County, and have coordinated with local public agencies for creating a GSA. Since spring 2016, a group of local public agencies have held five public meetings and numerous governance workgroup discussions to discuss how to comply with SGMA. These agencies have agreed to partner together and create a single GSA through a joint powers agreement (as per California Government Code 6500), which will be known as the Yolo Sub basin Groundwater Agency. This has been discussed at the most recent set of public meetings held in Woodland and Winters in February, 2017.

In compliance with SGMA and Government Code 6500, these agencies will hold agency-specific public meetings to discuss and finalize their decision to join or not join the multi-agency GSA — the Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency. The Yolo Groundwater website provides a schedule of each agency considering this decision and the date, time, and location of their public meeting.

We encourage you to attend the meeting of the agency that represents you, so you may provide your input to the governing body of elected representatives. For more information, please visit the Yolo Groundwater website at <http://YoloGroundwater.org>; or contact Kristin, at [ksicke@ycfcwd.org](mailto:ksicke@ycfcwd.org) or (530) 662-0265.

Submitted by Steve Knightly of the ECSD



### **Capay Valley Mother's Day Garden Tour**



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## May Programs at the Esparto Regional Library

All are welcome to attend the following special programs held during the month of May at Yolo County's Esparto Regional Library, located at 17065 Yolo Avenue in Esparto:

- **May 9: Afternoon Movie, 3:00 p.m.** Children and families are invited to view a family friendly (rated G or PG) movie. For movie title call: (530) 787-3426.
- **May 11: UCCE Master Gardeners, 6:30 p.m.** Come for a free presentation on "Straw and Hay Bale Gardening." This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Esparto Regional Library.
- **May 20: Park & Read, 10:00 a.m.** Join Yolo County Parks and Yolo County Library at the Capay Open Space Park located at 15063 County Road 85 in Esparto. Enjoy a nature themed bilingual story time, fun filled crafts, and fresh air with friends and family. Bring your own picnic lunch. In the event of rain on May 20, the event will be held on May 27. For additional details visit the library or call (530) 787-3426. Learn more at [www.yoloparks.org](http://www.yoloparks.org).
- **May 23: Computer Class: Microsoft Publisher, 10:30 a.m.** Learn how to use this fun and useful Microsoft program. Library computers will be available or you may bring your own laptop if it has Microsoft Office installed.
- **May 25: Children's Art Class with Julie, 3:30 p.m.** Enjoy a hands-on class featuring silk painting. No reservation required and all ages are welcome.
- **May 26: Sacramento River Cats, Yolo County Library Night, 7:00 p.m.** Support the Yolo County Library's Summer Reading program by buying Sacramento River Cats tickets to the May 26 game! Tickets can be purchased online or at any Yolo County Library branch.
- **May 30: The Bubble Lady, 3:30 p.m.** Treat yourself to spectacular bubble artistry mixed with comedy. This is an interactive program for the whole family.

**The following ongoing programs continue in May:**

- **English Conversation Group, Tuesdays at 1:15 p.m.** Converse and improve your English in a fun and relaxed setting with the aid of a group facilitator. Drop-in visitors are always welcome.
- **Hora de Cuentos / Bilingual Spanish Story Time (Ages 0-5), Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.** Children (ages 0-5) and their parents or caregivers are invited to join us for stories, songs, movement, rhymes and finger-plays. All bilingual story times are provided through a grant from First 5 Yolo. Note the new time.

**Coming this summer:**

**2017 Yolo County Library Summer Reading Program:**

- **Reading by Design!** This is a fun reading program for all ages.
- **Teen Game Center:** Saturdays in June 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Middle and high school ages are welcome to join in a variety of games. Lunch will be provided.

**NOTICES: All Yolo County Library branches will be closed on May 29, in observance of Memorial Day.**

All Programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Esparto Regional Library, are free to attend and no registration is required. For more information about events at the Esparto Regional Library, contact library staff at (530) 787-3426 or visit the Yolo County Library at [www.yolocountylibrary.org](http://www.yolocountylibrary.org) (see calendar for Esparto Regional Library-specific events). Connect with Yolo County Library Facebook at [www.facebook.com/yolocountylibrary.org](http://www.facebook.com/yolocountylibrary.org).

Submitted by Malinda Baker and Beth Gabor



### Friends of the Esparto Regional Library and the Big Day of Giving 2017

The Big Day of Giving is a regional, 24 hour, online day of giving to support local non-profit organizations and will be on Thursday, May 4, 2017. The Friends of the Esparto Regional Library is a participating organization. Give to FERL online on this day to raise funds for library programs and services. FERL's mission is to promote lifelong learning. Visit: [bigdayofgiving.org](http://bigdayofgiving.org) to give to FERL online on May 4, 2017 between midnight and 11:59 p.m. Contact Nina Andres at [liveoakfarm@gvni.com](mailto:liveoakfarm@gvni.com) for more information. Submitted by Nina Andres, FERL

### Jim Schulte Mentors an Ag School in Haiti

Jim Schulte, retired Ag Teacher from Esparto High and Woodland Community College, mentored for three weeks, March 25- April 14, at a vocational school of Agriculture in Don Don, Haiti. EMAD was the Haitian name of the school which has about 12 buildings, most dormitory classrooms and administration. The school serves part of the Agricultural education needs of the country, where 39 students are housed and fed by the Government. They are specializing in Natural Resources, Animal Science and Plant Science. The facility is also used for other programs such as the International Heifer Program.

UC Davis was awarded a three year grant from the USDA, now in its third year, to assist with mentoring and support supplies for the three areas of study. Schulte participated in three areas of the program : first, instructing students and teachers on shop and tool safety; second, organize the newly built shop; and third: train and conduct a FFA type contest, which was Coffee Tree Judging.

Using UCANR safety notes, which covers almost every aspect of job-related safety in agriculture, students and instructors were exposed to Lifting, Garden tool, Power Drill and others. Students indicated they had never been taught any aspects of job safety.

A newly built shop facility was organized with wood and metal benches built by students. Two donated UN bins were used to store and organize the new tools.

Twenty four students and instructors were trained to judge Coffee Trees at a local Farm Cooperative. A contest was sponsored by the Cooperative. Students competed on teams of four, a total of six teams.

The school has an active farm of poultry, rabbits and goats which students care for and maintain. They also have twelve raised beds of various vegetable garden crops that they experiment with. Watershed management systems are also installed by students and maintained.

UCD has three local employees at EMAD which facilitate mentors: Serge Telfort, Lincoln Dugue and Edwenson Toussaint. They provide transportation, translators and technical assistance, etc.

Harold Tarver, USDA specialist for international agriculture, was our guest at EMAD for a week. He and staff reviewed all aspects of the program with local leaders and administrators. Coordinators of the Program for UCD are: Professors Cary Trexler and Steve Temple, assisted by retired Agriculture Teacher, Chris Dickson.

Jim Schulte can be reached at [jschulte\\_611@hotmail.com](mailto:jschulte_611@hotmail.com) if your club would like a presentation. Submitted by Jim Schulte

## PM Lead Teacher Position



### SunRISE, Child Development Center

26137 Grafton St.  
Esparto, CA. 95627  
530-507-3110

SunRISE, Child Development Center is looking for a **PM Lead Teacher** who will work with children ages 3-5.

**Start Date:** ASAP

**Hours:** 2pm-6pm

**Days:** Monday-Friday

**Requirements:** At least 12 ECE Units Completed

Must have strong communication skills

Some experience working with children ages 3-5

*If you are interested or have any questions, please contact and submit your resume to **Jessica Uribe**.*

[jessica@riseinc.org](mailto:jessica@riseinc.org)



Sundrise Development Center children at play.



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SunRISE, Child Development Center is up and running. We currently have 17 students enrolled. We still have a couple of slots left. If you are interested, we suggest you enroll now.

The children at SunRISE have been learning a new letter, number, shape and color each week. Each day is full of surprises, as we are challenging each child to accomplish new things each week.

In the month of April, we had our Spring Egg Hunt. The children enjoyed a day full of activities, which included: Egg cracking Art, Pinning the Eggs on the Easter Bunny Baskets, Peep House making, Face Painting, making Putty, and much more.

We are thrilled to have our students be part of our SunRISE Center.  
Submitted by Jessica Uribe, Director

### Job Announcement



Full Belly Farm has an opening for a permanent, full-time, year-round Sales Specialist position. For a Job Announcement and directions on how to apply, contact [judith@fullbellyfarm.com](mailto:judith@fullbellyfarm.com).



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Answer to the Math Riddle on pg. 15: Sourgrass



**VALLEY SENIORS PROGRAM AT RISE**

Schedule for May 2017

Sponsored by the Yocha Dehe Community Fund

If you are a senior citizen interested in having fun, learning and socializing, please join us at the RISE Office, 17317 Fremont Street in Esparto.

**JOIN US ON TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS, FROM 9:00 a.m.-NOON for Guest Speakers, Movies, Arts & Crafts, Games, Day Trips, Health and Exercise Classes. We also serve Lunch.**

May 2: Morning Stretch & Games/Clase de Ejercicio y Juegos

May 4: Come Play Bingo/ Venga a Jugar Bingo

May 9: Exercise Class & Games/Clase de Ejercicio y Juegos

May 11: Summer Time Arts & Crafts/Artes y Manualidades de Veran

May 16: Morning Stretch & Games/Clase de Ejercicio y Juegos

May 18: Field Trip to Folsom Historical Museum/Excursión al Museo Histórico de Folsom

May 23: Exercise Class & Games/Clase de Ejercicio y Juegos

May 25: Pam Smith-Insurance Updates on Healthcare/Información sobre Seguros de Salud con Pam Smith

May 30: Potluck and Birthdays/Intercambio de Comida y Celebración de Cumpleaños

**FOR QUESTIONS & UPDATES, PLEASE CALL RISE Inc. at (530) 787-4110**

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Submitted by the RISE Staff

**Esparto Country Villa Seniors**

Esparto Country Villa Seniors were very busy this past month:

- On April 5 they stuffed over 750 Easter Eggs for the on Fire Fellowship Easter Egg Hunt.
- April 19 Seniors enjoyed making several flower arrangements for the club house and their personal use. Jim Schulte was the Coordinator.
- Next month will be a trip to the Cathedral in Sacramento May 3. Carpooling is requested.
- May 17: auction and birthday potluck. Also a short film of Jim Schulte in Haiti. (See related story on pg. 11.) Submitted by James Schulte

Pictured above are Country Villa Seniors making flower arrangements.

Pictured below they are stuffing eggs for the Easter Egg hunt.

**Seniors in the RISE Valley Seniors Program making colorful Easter wreaths.**

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**Area Food Distributions**

RISE, Inc. manages several food distributions each month. Madison Community Committee sponsors a Food Closet in Madison. Below is a summary of these opportunities. They are also announced in other places in this paper.

- Free Produce distribution on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at the RISE Office from 10:30-11:00 a.m.
- Drought Food Boxes (DFAP) every other Wednesday from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Call the RISE office to find out which Wednesday of the month, since it varies. (787-4110)
- Food Bank Give-Away on the 4th Monday of each month at the RISE office from 10:00-12:00 noon. Volunteers are urgently needed to help with this distribution.
- Food and Clothes Closet is open on Wednesdays from 9:00-noon, and on Fridays from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Call RISE office for more information: 787-4110.
- Madison Food Closet is open on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month from 5:30-6:30 p.m. to Madison residents. Submitted by the RISE Staff

**Community Calendar for May 2017**

- May 4: Big Day of Giving (Esparto Regional Library) 12:00 a.m-11:59 p.m.
- May 4: Open House at Madison Community High School
- May 9: Open House at Esparto High School
- May 9: Afternoon Movie at Esparto Library at 3:00 p.m.
- May 10: Esparto Community Services District Public Hearing at 5:30 p.m.
- May 11: UCCE Master Gardeners, at Esparto Library at 6:30 p.m.
- May 14: **Mother's Day**
- May 14: Capay Valley Mothers' Day Tour 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- May 15: Registration for RISE Summer Program
- May 15: Esparto High School Senior Awards Night
- May 17: Open House at Esparto Middle School
- May 18: Open House at Esparto Elementary School
- May 18: AYSO Sign-ups at Esparto Elementary School 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- May 20: Park and Read At Open Space Park at 10:00 p.m.
- May 21: 1st Annual Esparto Color Run 9:00 a.m.
- May 23: Microsoft Publisher class at Esparto Library at 10:30 a.m.
- May 24: Esparto High School Spartalympics
- May 25: Children's Art Class with Julie at 3:30 p.m.
- May 26: Esparto High School Spartarama
- May 29: **Memorial Day Holiday**
- May 30: The Bubble Lady at Esparto Library at 3:30 p.m.

**Free Produce Distribution**

When: 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month  
 Where: RISE Inc.  
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**Kids' Corner: created by the students at the Capay Valley Learning Studio**

Esther, Sha'an, Tomo, Oren, Olivia, and Oliver.

**Wildflower Wordsearch**

Words to find:  
 POPPY  
 DATURA  
 CHICKWEED  
 PIPEVINE  
 SOURGRASS  
 SHOOTING STAR  
 INDIAN PAINTBRUSH  
 SHEPHERDS PURSE  
 MINER'S LETTUCE

Wordsearch grid containing letters for the words above.

**THE SUN**

by Tomo Suematsu-Smith, age 6  
 The sun climbs high in the sky  
 Because it wants to say goodbye  
 And then on a cloud it will lie  
 And mother earth will sigh and cry  
 And the birds will be shy .

**WALK**

By Oliver Kane, age 5  
 Walk is dock  
 Which is a hawk  
 Clock is talk  
 Which means a smock  
 Snaw raw is like a crow's caw  
 The saw was a maw

The Valley Voice is transitioning to a new email address which will be: valleyvoice@rise.org  
 The older address may be used for a few more months: valleyvoice2@hotmail.com

The **Word Search** was done by Oren Muller, Oliver Kane, Olivia da Rosa, and Tomo Suematsu-Smith.  
 The **Math Riddle** was done by Sha'an Gittleman, Oliver Kane, Olivia da Rosa, and Oren Muller.

**Math Riddle: What edible flower has yellow petals and you can see its pollen?**

Solve the math problems below and use the code at the bottom to figure out the letters in the flower's name.

(5+4)+10   (5x1)+10   (10x2)+1   10+8   4+3   (10x2)-2   100/100   10+9   (10x2)-1

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26      (Answer on pg. 13)  
 A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**AA:** Countryside Community Church, located at 26479 Grafton St. on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. Call 1-800-970-9040 for more information.

**Spanish AA:** Alcohólicos Anónimos: Detrás de El Toro. Los lunes, miércoles, y viernes a las 7:00-9:00 p.m.

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

**Calvary Baptist Church:** meets at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday at 17050 Omega Street in Esparto. Tuesday, Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.

**Capay Valley Christian Fellowship:** 11:00 a.m. adult Sunday school; 11:45 a.m. social; 12:10-1:10 a.m. worship and children's Sunday school at the Guinda Community Church

**Capay Valley Fire Commission Meeting:** meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Guinda Fire Station.

**Capay Valley Garden Club** 4th Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m., location varies, see Facebook page for more information.

**Capay Valley General Plan Advisory Committee:** meets every 1st Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Grange Hall in Guinda. Open to all.

**Capay Valley Science Club,** 4th Mondays, 6:00 p.m., location varies.

**Capay Valley Vision Board:** meets on the third Wednesday of every month at the CVV office at 6:30 p.m. (Meetings are OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.)

**Countryside Community Church:** Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Worship Service and Sunday School.

**Dental Office in Esparto:** is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. every Tuesday. Call 787-4972 to make an appointment.

**Esparto Ag Boosters:** meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Ag Department at the high school.

**Esparto Citizens Advisory Committee Planning Council:** meets 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Esparto Regional Library.

**Esparto Community Services District:** meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

**Esparto Family Practice:** open: Monday, Tuesday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Wednesday 2:00-6:00 p.m. and Thursday from 1:00-6:00 p.m..

**Esparto High School Ag Boosters** meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Ag Classroom at the high school.

**Esparto Lions Club Meeting:** meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at the VFW hall 7:00 p.m.

**Esparto Regional Chamber of Commerce:** meets every month on the 4th Thursday at the Chamber Office at 16858 Yolo Avenue. (787-3242)

**Esparto Unified School Board Meeting:** meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. at Alice Marsh Hall.

**Food and Clothes Closet:** open on Wednesdays 9:00-12:00 p.m. and Fridays 3:00-5:00 p.m. at Countryside Community Church. Contact RISE Inc. at 787-4110 for information.

**Food Bank Food Give-Away:** fourth Monday of every month from 10:00 to 12:00 p.m. at the RISE office.

**Friends of Esparto Regional Library Board of Directors' Meeting:** meets on the 2nd Thursday at 5:00 p.m. at the Library.

**Home Schooling Cooperative:** Call Elvira Paoletti at 796-4676.

**Legal Services in Esparto:** free services offered on the 1st Thursdays of every other month at the RISE office from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Call 787-4110 for appointment.

**Guinda Community Church:** Sunday Service at 9:00 a.m.

**Madison Advisory Committee:** 4th Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at the Madison Community Services District. No meetings in May, November or December.

**Madison Community Committee:** 3rd Thursday at 8:30 a.m. at the Madison Community Services District.

**Madison Fire Commissioners Meeting:** 7:00 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at the Madison Fire Department at 17880 Stephens Street.

**Madison Food Closet:** open the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Madison Community Services District Building

**Madison Service District Meeting:** 2nd Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in the District office at 28963 Main Street in Madison.

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

**On Fire Fellowship of Esparto:** Sunday service at 9:00 a.m. Bible Study: Wed. at 6:30 p.m. Youth Group: Fri. at 6:30 p.m.; Ladies: 1st/3rd Tues. at 6:30 p.m.

**Play School Experience:** held from 8:30-10:00 am on Thursdays and Fridays at the On Fire Fellowship Church.

**RISE Collaborative Meeting:** meets the 3rd Friday at 9:00 a.m. at the RISE office (except August and December).

**Rumsey Improvement Association:** Potluck dinner and meeting on the 1st Monday. 6:00 p.m. social; 6:30 p.m. dinner; 7:10 p.m. meeting at the Rumsey Hall

**St. Martin's Catholic Mission Church:** English Mass: 8:30 a.m. on Sundays; Spanish Mass: 7:00 p.m. on Saturdays at St. Martin's Catholic Mission, 25633 W. Grafton St.

**Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW):** Western Yolo Post 7143, meets 2nd Monday each month, at Post Home, Orleans St. and Highway 16.

**Western Yolo Grange:** meets on the 3rd Tuesday at 6:00: social, and 6:30 p.m.: potluck dinner and meeting at the Grange Hall at 16787 Forrest Ave. in Guinda.

**WYORCA:** meets on the 2nd Thursday from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. at the Esparto Library.

**Yolo County WIC Services:** located in the Esparto Library at 17065 Yolo Ave., the 1st Wed. 8:00-12:00; and 3rd Wed. of each month from 8:00-4:00p.m. Call (530) 666-8445

**4-H:** meets at 6:30 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of each month at the Community Center in Esparto.

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