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Date: November 8, 2013
To: Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers
CC: All Employees
From: Steven Jepsen, City Manager
Re: **City Manager's Report –November 8, 2013**

Yuba City News

Neighborhood Speed Awareness Program



The Yuba City Police Department is focusing on speeding drivers in Yuba City Neighborhoods through the Neighborhood Speed Awareness Program. For the month of **November 2013**, officers will be focusing enforcement efforts on the following residential streets:

- **Bogue east of Garden Highway**
- **Jamie Drive**

The Neighborhood Speed Awareness (NSA) program is designed to reduce speed in residential neighborhoods through a combination of education and enforcement. The program offers an alternative to court fines for speed violations in residential areas. Violators cited under this program attend a class presented by the police department designed to inform drivers of the need for speed compliance. Upon completion of the class the department nullifies the citation.

Speed continues to be the leading primary collision factor for collisions in the City. In 2012, unsafe speed accounted for more than 27% of injury collisions. Speeding in neighborhoods is also a leading concern for residents and deters from the quality of life in our City. Traffic Sergeant Michael Green wants drivers to know, "If you're speeding in our Neighborhoods, officers will be looking to stop and cite you." Already this year, more than 300 speeders in NSA target areas have been cited and gone through the NSA education class. The NSA program is helping to make our neighborhoods safer.

Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday Closures

City employees have given up 10% of their salaries in order to help balance the City's budget, in the form of a furlough program. A rare combination of holidays has provided a unique opportunity for staff to use part of their 10% furlough program during the weeks of Thanksgiving and Christmas in a manner that minimizes the inconvenience to Yuba City residents.

Thanksgiving: starting Saturday, November 23, 2013, City Hall and other non-critical City offices will be closed until Monday, December 2, 2013.

Christmas: starting Saturday, December 21, 2013, City Hall and other non-critical City offices will be closed until Monday, December 30, 2013.



Welcome!



Animal Services
Officer
Toni Anderson
Sutter Animal Services



Administrative
Assistant
Kristen Hamilton
Parks & Recreation

Current Job Openings / Recruitments / Promotions

Contact Human Resources at 822-4610 or on the website: [Job Opportunities](#)

- **Police Officer Academy Graduate**

Closing Date: December 2, 2013 5:00 p.m.

- **Police Officer (Lateral)**

Closing Date: Open until filled.



Meet John Alexander from PW




1. My Job:
 - Wastewater Treatment Facility Supervisor
 - I am responsible for the overall operation of the Wastewater Facility
2. My Family:
 - I have two sons: Bradley (21) and Jacob (19)
 - 1 brother 2 sisters 3 nephews and 3 nieces
3. What I do for fun:
 - I enjoy exercising, cooking, reading, wine tasting, spending time with family and friends, and anything that has to do with the ocean
4. Where I am from:
 - I was born in Marquette, Michigan and moved to Yuba City when I was four
5. My hobbies:
 - Tennis, Golf, Salmon and Steelhead fishing, hiking, ocean kayaking, and abalone diving. I am beginning to revisit surfing and snow skiing

City Calendar

Events this weekend:





Friday November 8:

- Mayor's Cup football game: Yuba City vs. River Valley at RVHS. JV starts at 5:00 p.m., Varsity starts around 7:00 p.m. 
- Regional Arts Council -Art & Wine Swan Festival Kick Off Mixer – 4:30 🎵

Saturday November 9:

- 2013 California Swan Festival 11/09/13 - 11/10/13 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Location: 720 Yuba Street, Marysville

Next Week:

November									
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat		
8:00				7:30 Salvation Army Kettle Kick-off Breakfast		Furlough City Hall Closed			
9:00	SWAN FESTIVAL 	Veteran's Day Holiday City hall Closed 							
10:00								10:00 – 4:00 Regional Arts Council Art Show 	
11:00									
12:00									
1:00							1:30 Sutter Butte Flood Control	2:00 Steve Jepsen Cake & Ice Cream 	
2:00								4:00 Mosquito Vector Control	
3:00								5:30 Business After Hours Cambridge College	
4:00									
5:00					6:00 Special City Council Meeting		5:30 Summerfield Senior Living 20 Years Milestone Event		
6:00									
7:00									

Save the Dates!

- Hands of Hope "Turkey Trot" Saturday November 23rd 7:30 a.m. registration
- Downtown Christmas Stroll Saturday December 14 2:00 p.m.
- Community Christmas Tree Lighting Saturday December 14 6:30 p.m.

The History of Veteran's Day

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, was declared between the Allied nations and Germany in the First World War, then known as "the Great War." Commemorated as Armistice Day beginning the following year, November 11th became a legal federal holiday in the United States in 1938. In the aftermath of World War II and the Korean War, Armistice Day became Veterans Day, a holiday dedicated to American veterans of all wars.

The Great War & Armistice Day

Though the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919, November 11 remained in the public imagination as the date that marked the end of the Great War. In November 1918, U.S. President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed November 11 as the first commemoration of Armistice Day. The day's observation included parades and public gatherings, as well as a brief pause in business activities at 11 a.m. On November 11, 1921, an unidentified American soldier killed in the war was buried at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C.; the U.S. Congress had declared the day a legal federal holiday in honor of all those who participated in the war. On the same day, unidentified soldiers were laid to rest at Westminster Abbey in London and at the Arc de Triomphe in Paris.

On June 4, 1926, Congress passed a resolution that the "recurring anniversary of [November 11, 1918] should be commemorated with thanksgiving and prayer and exercises designed to perpetuate peace through good will and mutual understanding between nations" and that the president should issue an annual proclamation calling for the observance of Armistice Day. By that time, 27 state legislatures had made November 11 a legal holiday. An act approved May 13, 1938 made November 11 a legal Federal holiday, "dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be hereafter celebrated and known as 'Armistice Day.'" In actuality, there are no U.S. national holidays because the states retain the right to designate their own, and the government can only designate holidays for federal employees and for the District of Columbia. In practice, however, states almost always follow the federal lead.

From Armistice Day to Veterans Day

American effort during World War II (1941-1945) saw the greatest mobilization of the U.S. Army, Navy, Marines and Air Force in the nation's history (more than 16 million people); some 5.7 million more served in the Korean War (1950 to 1953). In 1954, after lobbying efforts by veterans' service organizations, the 83rd U.S. Congress amended the 1938 act that had made Armistice Day a holiday, striking the word "Armistice" in favor of "Veterans." President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the legislation on June 1, 1954. From then on, November 11 became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

The next development in the story of Veterans Day unfolded in 1968, when Congress passed the Uniform

Holidays Bill, which sought to ensure three-day weekends for federal employees--and encourage tourism and travel--by celebrating four national holidays (Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Veterans Day and Columbus Day) on Mondays.

The observation of Veterans Day was set as the fourth Monday in October. The first Veterans Day under the new law was Monday, October 25, 1971; confusion ensued, as many states disapproved of this change, and continued to observe the holiday on its original date. In 1975, after it became evident that the actual date of Veterans Day carried historical and patriotic significance to many Americans, President Gerald R. Ford signed a new law returning the observation of Veterans Day to November 11th beginning in 1978. If November 11 falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the federal government observes the holiday on the previous Friday or following Monday, respectively.

Celebrating Veterans Day Around the World

Britain, France, Australia and Canada also commemorate the veterans of World Wars I and II on or near November 11th: Canada has Remembrance Day, while Britain has Remembrance Sunday (the second Sunday of November). In Europe, Britain and the Commonwealth countries it is common to observe two minutes of silence at 11 a.m. every November 11.

In the United States, an official wreath-laying ceremony is held each Veterans Day at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery, while parades and other celebrations are held in states around the country. Veterans Day is not to be confused with Memorial Day--a common misunderstanding, according to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Memorial Day (the fourth Monday in May) honors American service members who died in service to their country or as a result of injuries incurred during battle, while Veterans Day pays tribute to all American veterans--living or dead--but especially gives thanks to living veterans who served their country honorably during war or peacetime.

