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Date: November 22, 2013
To: Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers
CC: All Employees
From: Steve Kroeger, City Manager
Re: **City Manager's Report – November 22, 2013**



Yuba City News

A note to my fellow employees:

Let me start by saying that it is a great honor to write this weekly message to you as your Interim City Manager. We have a remarkable organization made up of exceptional people. Our common bond of providing quality services to the Yuba City community truly sets us apart from others.

Over the past 14 years, I have had the pleasure of getting to know many of you in your various roles in the organization. I have become familiar with the variety of perspectives that each of you brings to your job on a daily basis. I am often humbled to be working with those of you who have been with the City for many years (and possess an immense breadth of knowledge about the community) as well as those of you who are newer to City service (and bring with you a contagious optimism for the future of the community).

While I have observed many different approaches to “getting the job done”, I have also observed the shared commitment to “making things better”. Yuba City employees do not simply accept things as they are; they take a leadership role in figuring out how they can do their jobs better. The result? A better community.

In the coming weeks, I will be visiting the various work sites around the City. While I know many of you already, these meetings will provide the opportunity for us to meet, greet and talk about the future of Yuba City. As for me, I am optimistic about the future of Yuba City. Challenges lie ahead. Change is inevitable. Through it all, we will stay the course and continue in our effort to improve the quality of life in Yuba City.

Fifth Street Bridge Update

SACOG staff has recommended awarding the full \$17.1 million funding request that was submitted in August. With this award, the bridge replacement project would be fully funded. The SACOG Board will consider staff's recommendation in December.

Coming Soon!



Krispy Kreme is coming to Yuba City. They are in the process of remodeling the old Starbucks next to Rabo Bank on the corner of Butte House and Stabler.

Congratulations!

Jim Runyen
Promoted to Police Sergeant



Welcome Back!

Fleet Mechanic
Doug McKenzie



Current Job Openings / Recruitments / Promotions

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

- **Fire Captain (Internal Recruitment)**
Closing Date: December 2, 2013 5:00 p.m.
- **Police Officer Academy Graduate**
Closing Date: December 2, 2013 5:00 p.m.
- **Plant Maintenance Mechanic- Senior**
Closing Date: December 4, 2013 5:00 p.m.
- **Police Officer (Lateral)**
Closing Date: Open until filled.

Boards and Commissions Vacancies

The City is currently accepting applications for positions on the **Planning** Commission, **Senior** Commission, and the **Economic Development** Commission. Applications are due by December 12th and can be obtained on our website, at City Hall, or email City Clerk Terrel Locke at tlocke@yubacity.net.

Senior Commission Mission Statement

Yuba City Senior Center Commissioners play an advocacy role for seniors in Yuba City. To accomplish and enhance this role and better represent these needs to the City Council, Commissioners liaison with multidisciplinary organizations in our area.

In the course of community involvement, Commissioners become aware of existing and developing senior issues which can be communicated and addressed using appropriate resources to improve the quality of life for seniors living in Yuba City.




Economic Development Strategy Three Key Initiatives



- 1) Grow Opportunities for Well Paying Jobs
- 2) Create a Positive and Inspiring Self Image
- 3) Enhance the Quality of Life

City Calendar

Saturday November 23

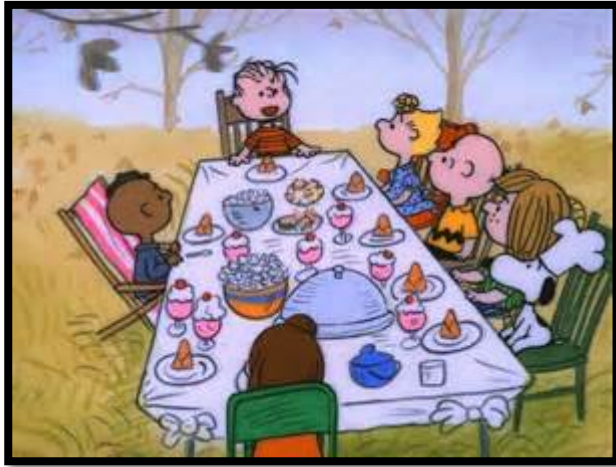
- Hands of Hope Turkey Trot: Registration will start at **7:30 a.m.** at River Valley High School 
- Yuba-Sutter United Way Presents the 7th Annual Turkey Drive **12-3 p.m.** Golden Valley Auto Body 727 Sutter Street, Yuba City
- The Embassy of Chile in the United States, the Chilean Naval Mission in the United States and the Consulate General of Chile in San Francisco invite you to a celebration and placement of a plaque in honor and memory of Charles William Whiting Wooster - An American, co-founder of the Chilean Navy. The celebration is at **1:00 p.m.** at Sutter's Hock Farm

Next Week:

November							
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	
8:00	Furlough - City Hall Closed			 <p>HAPPY THANKSGIVING</p>	 <p>Shop Local</p>		
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Save the Dates!

- **Monday, December 1st** 4:00 p.m. Feather River Air Quality Management Meeting
- **Tuesday, December 3rd** 6:00 p.m. – Yuba City New Mayor Swearing in Ceremony 
- **Wednesday, December 4th** 9:00 a.m. Senior Commission Meeting
- **Thursday, December 5th** 4:00 p.m. Oversight Board Meeting
- **Downtown Christmas Stroll Saturday December 14** 2:00 p.m.
- **Community Christmas Tree Lighting Saturday December 14** 6:30 p.m. 



A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving

Linus recruits Snoopy and Woodstock to help set up the guest area, as well as prepare the meal. Sometime later, Peppermint Patty, Marcie and Franklin arrive. After everyone has a seat, Linus says grace and gives a speech in regards to what Thanksgiving is about.

Linus: "In the year 1621, the Pilgrims held their first Thanksgiving feast. They invited the great Indian chief Massasoit, who brought ninety of his brave Indians and a great abundance of food. Governor William Bradford and Captain Miles Standish were honored guests. Elder William Brewster, who was a minister, said a prayer that went something like this: 'We thank God for our homes and our food and our safety in a new land. We thank God for the opportunity to create a new world for freedom and justice.'"

Once grace is finished, Snoopy serves the food that has been prepared: buttered toast, jellybeans, pretzel sticks, and popcorn. Upon seeing the food available, Peppermint Patty

angrily shouts at Charlie Brown regarding its poor quality.

Peppermint Patty: "What kind of Thanksgiving dinner is this? Where's the turkey, Chuck? Don't you know anything about Thanksgiving dinners? Where's the mashed potatoes? Where's the cranberry sauce? Where's the pumpkin pie?"

Embarrassed at the situation, Charlie leaves the table.

Marcie: "But Thanksgiving is more than eating, Chuck. You heard what Linus was saying out there. Those early Pilgrims were thankful for what had happened to them, and we should be thankful, too. We should just be thankful for being together. I think that's what they mean by 'Thanksgiving,' Charlie Brown".

