# **MEMO**

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**To:** Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers

**CC:** Executive Team

From: Steven Jepsen, City Manager

June 27 2013

Re: City Manager's Report - June 27, 2013

# Calendar

# **Events this weekend:**

• Friday June 28 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. "State of the Counties" Peach Tree Golf & Country Club

Friday June 28 City Hall is Closed (Furlough)

# **Next Week:**

	July 1	July 2	July 3	July 4	July 5	July 6	July 7
	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
8:00				City Hall Closed			
9:00				4 <sup>th</sup> of July Children's Parade 10:00 a.m. GAP	City Hall Closed (Furlough)		
10:00							
11:00							
12:00							
1:00							
2:00				Happy 4 <sup>th</sup> of July!			
3:00							
4:00							
5:00							
6:00		Canceled City Council Meeting	7 P.M. Gold Sox vs. California Glory	7.P.M. Gold Sox vs. California Glory	7.P.M. Gold Sox vs. South Bay Storm	7.P.M. Gold Sox vs. South Bay Storm	6.P.M. Gold Sox vs. Solano Mudcats

# **Save the Dates!**

- Tuesday July 9<sup>th</sup> 7:30 8:30 a.m. Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Meeting City Manager Steve Jepsen speaking
- Tuesday July 9<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m. Sign Workshop with Planning Commission
- Wednesday July 24<sup>th</sup> 4:00 p.m. Employee Award Event Council Chambers
- Tuesday August 6<sup>th</sup> National Night Out Events (No Council Meeting)
- Tuesday August 13<sup>th</sup> 6:00p.m. China Workshop with Economic Development Commission

# **Yuba City News**

# **Chamber Business Connection Breakfast- State of the Counties**

Friday, June 28 7:30 AM - 9:00 AM Peach Tree Golf & Country Club

The breakfast site is Peach Tree Golf & Country Club. Speakers: Jim Arkens- Sutter County CAO and Robert Bendorf- Yuba County CAO

# **Chamber Government Affairs Committee Meeting**

Tuesday July 9
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM
Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corp
1227 Bridge St, Ste C
Yuba City, CA 95991

Sutter County Home Values May 2013						
Housing Boom Peak	\$326,200					
Housing Bust Low	\$141,700					
Current	\$165,600					

The topic that will be discussed at this meeting is the Business in Yuba City. The speaker will be the City Manager, Steve Jepsen, from the City of Yuba City.

The Government Affairs Committee is one of the most important services the Yuba-Sutter Chamber provides for their members and the general Yuba-Sutter region. The committee is made up of 9 appointed Directors currently active on the Yuba-Sutter Chamber board, and 7 appointed business owners or senior industry representatives from both Yuba & Sutter Counties. The 16 member board represents more than ten different industries in our region and constantly works to protect the interests of business and business owners in our area. The meetings are open to any private or public business owner or representative, and often encompass several local legislative reports.

# California Elections Chief Comments on Voting Rights Ruling by U.S. Supreme Court

SACRAMENTO - Secretary of State Debra Bowen today issued the following statement regarding the U.S. Supreme Court's federal Voting Rights Act decision.

"Today's decision eliminates a critical level of protection for voters in states where governors and legislatures work year after year to undermine the voting rights of U.S. citizens. Fortunately, California has a robust set of election laws designed to protect the rights of voters in all 58 counties, including California's three pre-clearance counties. However, voters in other parts of the country are not nearly as fortunate as Californians. That is why Congress must work as quickly as possible to restore the full federal Voting Rights Act protections that many voters have relied on for nearly 50 years."

# Sister City – Toride Japan

Mayor John Buckland recently returned from visiting Yuba City's Sister City, Toride Japan. He met with Mayor Shingo Fujii who sends his warm regards to all the citizens of Yuba City. Also sending regards is Toride Sister City Association President, Yukio Takegasa, his son Akiro and their families.

Yuba City and Toride City became Sister Cities in the fall of 1989 to promote the ties of friendship and mutual understanding. Toride is an agricultural community located by a river and small mountain range in the Ibaraki Prefecture, which is one hour north of Tokyo. Toride currently has a population of 110,000. The Toride delegation, including Mayor Fujii, will be traveling to Yuba City the last week in October. The delegation always looks forward to the American celebration of Halloween. 2014 marks the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Sister City Association. For more information on the Sister City Association and how to get involved, please contact Jim Grant, President, at (530) 301-2797.

# **Fish Screen Project**

~ Claire Shawver, Project Manager

Removal of the cofferdam on June 20th.

Several State Water Resources Control Board and Bureau of Reclamation representatives were on hand and were pleased with how things went. There was a slight turbidity exceedance when we were pulling the last sheet pile and SWRCB was able to get verbal authorization for us to continue working so it was very helpful to have them with us for the day. Now we are driving sheets to provide shoring for the 54" line. Glad we're out of the river!









# **News Article Highlight**

# U.S. Census Bureau News

U.S. Department of Commerce . Washington, D.C. 20233

#### THE FOURTH OF JULY 2013

On this day in 1776, the Declaration of Independence was approved by the Continental Congress, setting the 13 colonies on the road to freedom as a sovereign nation. As always, this most American of holidays will be marked by parades, fireworks and backyard barbecues across the country.

#### 2.5 million

In July 1776, the estimated number of people living in the newly independent nation.

#### 316.2 million

The nation's estimated population on this July Fourth.

#### **FIREWORKS**

#### \$218.2 million

The value of fireworks imported from China in 2012, representing the bulk of all U.S. fireworks imported (\$227.3 million). U.S. exports of fireworks, by comparison, came to just \$11.7 million in 2012, with Israel purchasing more than any other country (\$2.5 million).

#### THE BRITISH ARE COMING!

# \$109.8 billion

Dollar value of trade last year between the United States and the United Kingdom, making the British, our adversary in 1776, our sixth-leading trading partner today.

# **FOURTH OF JULY COOKOUTS**

#### 65.9 million

Number of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2013. Chances are that the pork hot dogs and sausages consumed on the Fourth of July originated in Iowa. The Hawkeye State was home to 20.3 million hogs and pigs. North Carolina (8.9 million) and Minnesota (7.8 million) were also homes to large numbers of pigs.

#### 6.3 billion

Total pounds estimated production of cattle and calves in Texas in 2012. Chances are good that the beef hot dogs, steaks and burgers on your backyard grill came from the Lone Star State, which accounted for nearly one-sixth of the nation's total production. And if the beef did not come from Texas, it very well may have come from Nebraska (estimated at 5.1 billion pounds) or Kansas (estimated at 3.8 billion pounds).

#### 345 million

Acreage planted of potatoes in Idaho in 2012, the most in the nation. Washington followed with 165 million acres. The total 2012 potato crop is forecast to exceed 467 million hundredweight (cwt), the highest level since 2000 when 523 million cwt was produced. Potato salad is a popular food item at Fourth of July barbecues.

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