



A Quarterly Community and Economic Development Update

Robotic Book Dispenser Debuts in Wheatland

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In May the Yuba County Library completed installation of the nation's first automated book dispenser.

The high-tech robotic device is now located in an outer wall at the Wheatland Community Center, 101 C Street in Wheatland.

GoLibrary will hold approximately 500 books for library patrons to check out any time of the day or night. Users can swipe their library card and then use the touch-screen for checking out or returning books.

"GoLibrary came to our attention through the State Library, and Yuba County's Board of Supervisors embraced the idea behind the new technology from the first moment they heard about the possibilities,"

said County Librarian Loren McCrory. "We see this as a way to put the fundamental resources of a library into our smaller communities that may not yet be able to support a full branch."

A \$133,000 grant through the California State Library's Library Services and Technology Act, a project funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, has made it possible to purchase this technology and place it in the small community of Wheatland.

GoLibrary, also known as Bokomaten in Sweden, is designed to connect to a library's computer network. The device was invented in 2004 by a Swedish company, Distec, and is manufactured in Italy. There are

two machines in use in Norway, one in Finland, six in Sweden and one in Denmark. Contra Costa County has plans to install a unit at one of its BART stations in the near future.



The Yuba County Library is located at 303 Second Street in Marysville. It is open Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. More information about the library can be found online at www.yuba.org/departments/library.

Yuba County Stats:

- Yuba County to be the first Central Valley Community with 200-year flood protection
- GoLibrary is the first robotic library book dispenser in the U.S.
- New website for General Plan Update is available online at www.yubavision2030.org
- 2007 County crop value tops \$153,000,000

Groundbreaking for Flood Protection

Work on the final phase of levee improvement work in the South County began with a groundbreaking ceremony held May 28, 2008. When completed, a setback levee will provide

residents and businesses with 200-year flood protection.

Howard Lansdon, Duke Griego, Don Graham, and Walt Whitenton turned dirt to commemorate the event.



The Business Spotlight: Kinner & Neighbor's



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Kinner Manufacturing

Owner Raymond Kinner's pride in craftsmanship drives his aspiration to be recognized among the upper echelon of the turbo machinery industry. Raymond doesn't run the shop alone though. With his wife Niki and brother Max, Kinner Manufacturing is a family-owned machine shop that emphasizes quality and communication as the foundation of their customer relation efforts. Having been in the machining industry their entire careers, they know how important it is to develop highly communicative relationships to improve quality and productivity.

Kinner Manufacturing, an independent manufacturer and service supplier of semi-finished and finished components and assemblies, takes pride in utilizing the latest technology to provide manufacturing solutions to meet its customers most challenging requirements. Kinner's capabilities include fan blades, compressor blades and vanes, BLISKs, IBRs,

radial impellers, axial impellers, diffusers, turbine airfoils, turbine wheels, rotor shafts and hubs, disks, and related components, serving aerospace, power generation, rail, natural gas, cryogenics, automotive and other industries.

Kinner Manufacturing can be reached at (530) 844-2835 or by stopping in at 1482 Sky Harbor Drive, Suites K & L at the Yuba County Airport.



Bryan & Julianne Watari hosted a grand opening and ribbon cutting in celebration of their new restaurant "Neighbors Pizza and Pasta" in Spring 2007. As residents of nearby Plumas Lakes, the Watari's recognized a lack of dining options in the immediate area and started pursuing their dream.

After almost two years of research, planning, persistence and hard work and with the help of the Yuba-Sutter

Economic Development Corporation's loan program, the Watari's dream has become a reality with the opening of Neighbors Pizza. Located at 1957 McGowan Parkway, Olivehurst, the opening of the business fulfills a longtime desire for the couple to own and operate their own restaurant.

Neighbors Pizza offers signature pizzas, all named after U.S. states but made with real California cheese and sauce made from California vine-ripened tomatoes. One pizza quickly becoming a favorite is the Idaho, a pizza topped with mashed potatoes, cheddar cheese, bacon bits, chopped green onions and a light sour cream sauce. It is simply spudtacular! The restaurant also serves gourmet pasta dishes, salads, baked stuffed sandwiches and a variety of side dishes.

Open seven days a week, Monday through Thursday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. and Sunday, 2 p.m. - 9 p.m. for dine-in, take-out or delivery. Call Neighbors Pizza at (530) 749-0500 and place your order today!

Sleep Train Amphitheatre's 2008 Concert Season

The Sleep Train Amphitheatre is gearing up for another outdoor concert series and has already hosted Brian Paisley and Jewel June 21.

The remaining announced eight concert events include:

- Rockstar Mayhem

- Festival, July 11
- Endfest 2008, July 16
- The Police/Elvis Costello, July 17
- John Mayer, July 25
- Crue Festival, August 4
- Vans Warped Tour, August 16

- Journey, September 26
- Music Builds Tour, September 28

Box office tickets and information can be obtained at (530) 743-5200 or online at www.livenation.com.



The Beale Enhancement Team Recruits New Missions

In August of 2007, the County of Yuba, Beale Military Liaison Committee and Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation (EDC) established the Beale Enhancement Team (BET) to identify and seek out new missions and other growth opportunities for Beale.

The initial effort of the BET is designed to position Beale Air Force Base as a permanent location for the Air Force's new Cyber Command wing. Beale Air Force Base is one location in 18 states vying for consideration as a location.

Cyber Command is expected to provide employment for about 550 Air Force employees, initially, but it is anticipated that resulting partnerships with universities, colleges, private sector and high-tech businesses could add thousands more jobs. Cyber Command is a wing proposed by the Air Force that will utilize electronic offensive and defensive measures to protect American computer systems and assets.

The entire California Legislative Delegation, including both senators and all 53 Congressional Representatives, participated in the unprecedented and bipartisan act of signing a letter to Air Force Secretary Michael Wynne that recommended the permanent location of the new Cyber Command wing to Beale Air Force Base on December



17, 2007.

A proclamation to promote Beale Air Force Base for Cyber Command authored by Senator Sam Aanestad was unanimously passed by State Senate and Assembly members June 23, 2008.

"I am hopeful that passage of this measure will convince



planners that Beale Air Force Base is the best choice for this new command and the best choice for our nation's security," Annestad said.

The Governor's office received from the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force a "data call request" in May, 2008 to respond to a variety of infrastructure, transportation, available office space, and related issues for siting Cyber Command.

"This is a tremendous opportunity for Beale Air Force, and for Yuba County," said Yuba County Supervisor John Nicoletti.

It is anticipated that a team from the Air Force will visit Beale Air Force Base during the Summer of 2008 to evaluate the base for consideration in setting up the new wing.

Call (530) 741-6280 for more information. The BET meets the second Monday of each month at 1:30 p.m.

Beale AFB Spotlight

The Beale Enhancement Team was formed in August 2007 to identify and promote new opportunities and missions for Beale Air Force Base. An Air Force team will visit Beale Air Force Base this Summer for Cyber Command consideration.



General Plan Update

The General Plan contains goals, policies, and action statements that guide decisions such as how the County grows and looks in the future.

General Plan Update Website Launches

In order to better provide information to the public on the County's General Plan update, a new website has been developed. The website www.yubavision2030.org provides the most current information available to help the public get involved with the General Plan Update process. This includes a listing of meeting dates, copies of presentations and documents and even the opportunity to receive email notification when new information becomes available.

The Yuba County General Plan has not been updated since 1996. While each city or county is required by law to update the Housing Element of its General Plan every five years, the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) recommends the remaining elements be reviewed for their appropriateness based on current conditions every eight to ten years.

Town hall meetings have discussed the State's requirements for providing housing as

well as an open discussion regarding the various issues and concerns the public had regarding housing needs in Yuba County.

In July, the Planning Department will be hosting a booth at the Marysville Peach Festival (July 19-20th) to provide information to the public on the General Plan update. This will be followed by a series of town hall meetings that will be held throughout the County to discuss the various ways the County could develop over the

next twenty years. The Board will select one of the land use alternatives considered based on input from the public. The "preferred land use alternative" will then become the basis for the County's next General Plan.

For more information on the General Plan Update process, please visit: www.yubavision2030.org or contact Dan Cucchi at 749-5470.

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Agriculture Facts and Stats

Agriculture has been the backbone of Yuba County’s economy for over 100 years and touches a number of business sectors including banking and finance, transportation, processing, and farm equipment sales. As an export product, agricultural commodities help grow the local economy.

The gross value of Yuba County’s agricultural production in 2007 was \$153,364,000 which was a 6 percent decrease from the 2006 estimate. During 2007 poor weather conditions contributed to Prunes/Dried Plums dropping from the top agricultural crop to 6th position. Other notable changes over the last year have included a significant increase in rice production and price.

Milk and Cattle and Calves also increased in value due to better yield and pricing.

The top ten agricultural commodities in Yuba County are Rice, Walnut, Peach, Milk, Cattle and Calves, Prune, Tim-

ber, Pasture, Kiwi, and Almonds.

View Yuba County’s agricultural information and 2007 crop report online at www.yuba.org under the Agricultural Commissioner section.

Yuba County Agricultural Production 2000-2007

