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# DAVIS DEMOCRATIC CLUB

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**Ed Note.** The Club has not endorsed candidates for nonpartisan offices appearing on the June ballot. However, as an informational service, the Newsletter is publishing campaign statements by the Democrats running for these offices. The April Newsletter featured a statement by Tom Lopez, who is running for Yolo County Sheriff; this Newsletter features **Ed Prieto** (p.1), who is also running for **Yolo County Sheriff**;

## **Ed Prieto, Occupation: Yolo County Sheriff - Coroner**

Each morning I am proud and excited to go to work protecting the people of Yolo County. That is why I humbly and respectfully ask for your vote to serve another term as your Sheriff-Coroner. Let me tell you about my accomplishments and priorities.

- **A Diverse Staff.** Public safety requires teamwork. I have recruited a diverse team of topnotch deputies, managers, and civilian staff, including appointing qualified women and people of color to the highest ranks of responsibility.
- **Improving Community Relationships.** I will continue supporting town hall meetings and other innovative ways to increase citizen involvement including S.T.A.R.S. (Sheriff's Team of Active Retired Seniors), Cadets, Reserves, Aero-Squadron, and Posse volunteers.
- **Training, Technology and Equipment.** We are operating with improved technology and crime-fighting tools. We have tripled training hours and are working to better serve the different needs of our communities.
- **Constitutional Rights and Civil Liberties.** We view immigrant communities as people we are sworn to serve and protect and our deputies do not participate in immigration enforcement. I work for the voters of Yolo County, we are not agents of ICE.
- **Safer Schools.** We must tackle school safety, but not by arming teachers. I support California Law that only trained, sworn law enforcement officers should carry fire arms on school grounds. I will work with education leaders and elected officials to combat school violence and bullying.
- **Expand Rehabilitation and Job Training.** New state laws are putting more criminals back into the community earlier. Many are serving multi-year sentences in county jail instead of prison. I will continue efforts to increase GED programs, mental health services, and other life skill training to enhance rehabilitation efforts upon release.
- **Protecting Pets and People.** As part of my responsibility, I have worked to modernize Animal Services reducing the euthanasia rate from approximately 60% to an overall 3%. Pets are family.

Based on my years of experience, knowledge, and skills I have earned the endorsements of Assemblywoman Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, Senator Bill Dodd, former Senator Lois Wolk, former Assemblymembers Mariko Yamada and Helen Thomson, County Supervisors Jim Provenza and Oscar Villegas, former Supervisors Betsy Marchand and Mike McGowan and County Schools Superintendent Jesse Ortiz.

Of all of our accomplishments here at the Yolo County Sheriff's Office, I am most proud that we have made every possible effort to be available to the members of our community. Many police jurisdictions, due to low staffing levels, are referring some crimes to service centers or to phone reports. I am adamantly opposed to that. We respond a deputy to every crime, no matter how seemingly small, to provide the best possible service to our citizens. It is through these efforts that we continue to meet and establish relationships within our communities in order to better serve each other.

In 2004, I instituted regular Town Hall-style meetings in each of the communities to work with citizens to better serve their needs. The communities have told us what they need and we have listened so that we may better serve the needs of all involved. Through this partnership, we have reduced crime and made Yolo County a better place to live, work and enjoy life.

I am also proud of the accomplishments we have made within the Department. We have increased the number of deputies patrolling our streets while making this Department one of the most desirable in which to work. We have increased pay and benefits which attract more qualified applicants than we did when we started. And thanks to the help of the Board of Supervisors, we have made this agency a place where talented employees want to retire. (*continued p.3*)

# Democratic News

## Calendar of Events & Campaign Activities

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**Tues., May 1, 7:00-9:00 pm. Monthly Board Meeting**, Blanchard Room, Davis Library. All DDC Members are eligible to attend. The Board conducts routine management and plans future events.

**Sunday, 11:00-2:00 pm. (Late May to early June, time, place & program TBA) Champagne Brunch.** We look forward to hosting a great political program in this important election year. This event invariably features an excellent buffet brunch and is your Club's major annual fundraiser making it crucial for supporting a successful election in 2018. Please plan on joining us for a thoroughly enjoyable gathering of friends.

### *Update from Assemblymember Cecilia Aguiar-Curry*



I am happy to report that in my first legislative year, Governor Brown signed 14 of my bills! These included expanding subsidized childcare to parents taking ESL or GED classes, farmworker housing, protecting national monuments, providing internet, and authorizing telepharmacy in rural communities.

This year, I partnered with First 5 California and introduced AB 2292, which will invest in early childhood care centers by increasing funding to help with start-up costs of opening new facilities, along with

retrofitting old classrooms for different age groups. This bill will help children during the most crucial developmental period by making sure they have the care they need to thrive.

As you know, I represent an agricultural district with six predominantly rural counties: Napa, Lake, Yolo, Sonoma, Solano, and Colusa. In October, I witnessed the massive devastation of the North Bay Wildfires that affected four of my counties. Forty-four lives were claimed. Over 14,700 homes and 700 businesses were damaged or destroyed. It may take years to recover, but I am committed to helping these communities rebuild stronger than ever.

To start, I've introduced AB 1772 to extend the amount of time a home or business owner has to rebuild an insured property from two to three years after a declared emergency and receive the full replacement costs to which they are entitled. After fires this devastating and economically disruptive, families need more time to heal and rebuild.

I also introduced three measures to reduce wildfire risk, promote job security and job growth, and allow California to meet its demand for energy with diverse renewable energy generation. Trees affected by drought and disease, orchard tree turnover, and open agricultural burns increase air pollutants and create large amounts of organic waste and fuel which increases the risk of wildfires. AB 2966 would increase the state's cost share to expedite the removal of dead trees in rural counties. This agricultural waste in our forests can be recycled to create renewable energy. AB 2518 would promote new and innovative wood product markets to address tree mortality and long-term forestry management. Finally, AB 2208 would keep biomass facilities open, protecting high-quality renewable energy jobs and tax revenues in low-income and rural communities.

The fires also impacted nearly two dozen health centers. My bill, AB 2576, will ensure that communities continue to receive timely access to care when disaster strikes by allowing the use of mobile pharmacy clinics in impacted areas, and ensuring that patients receive telehealth and telephonic services. **(continued p.3)**

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**The Yolo County Democratic Party has endorsed candidates for the Primary Election.**  
by Bob Schelen, YCDP Chair

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This year we are seeing the Republican Party adopt obstruction, political intransigence, and exclusionary rhetoric and policy in Washington and communities across the country. The turmoil of the present administration seeps down to every level of government. Now is a critical time for Democrats, especially at the local level, to guide the nation toward policies of fairness, tolerance, and better economic and educational opportunities for all.

The following endorsements result from a very careful process by the YCDP making us confident that our endorsed candidates embody these principles. Their election will allow Yolo County and California to continue to lead the nation in fostering the kind of communities we want for ourselves and for our children. We ask all Democrats in Yolo County to vote and to support these endorsed candidates. They are truly the candidates that best reflect support of policies that adhere to the National and State Democratic Platforms. For information, please contact [yolodems.org](http://yolodems.org).

- **Dean Johansson**, for County District Attorney
- **Tom Lopez**, for County Sherriff
- **Garth Lewis**, for County Superintendent of Public Education
- **Don Saylor**, for County Supervisor District 2
- **Gary Sandy**, for County Supervisor District 3
- **Linda Deos**, for Davis City Council

**Ed Prieto Statement (continued from p.1)**

Once a "training ground", where personnel wanted to start their careers, get experience and then move on, the Yolo County Sheriff's Department boasts one of the lowest turnover rates amongst law enforcement agencies. Our motto is 'Service Without Limitations'. That applies not only to the communities, but to the dedicated men and women who serve them as well. We have worked very hard to make this Department a place where members of our own community can join and then give back to the very places that raised them.

I would also like to add that I have been married to my bride for thirty years and a proud father of five daughters and eight grandchildren.

Thank you for your consideration. You can contact me at [www.sheriffprieto.com](http://www.sheriffprieto.com). I would be honored to have your vote.

**Cecilia Aguiar-Curry Update (continued from p.2)**

Finally, I am continuing to work closely with UC Davis on the Rehabilitation of Clearlake. This project is crucial for revitalizing Lake County which is the poorest county in California. If Lake Tahoe can be made blue, we can make Clearlake clear!

It is a privilege to work with and serve the people of Davis. I want to thank you for being active, engaged, and passionate about civic service and democracy. If you ever need any assistance, please call me at (530) 757-1034.

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