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**Yolo County Honors Crime Victims**  
**Sixth Annual Crime Victims' Tribute on April 23, 2012**

(Woodland, CA) – April 18, 2012 – Yolo County District Attorney announced today that his office will be hosting the Sixth Annual Crime Victims' Tribute on April 23, 2012. County crime victims, community leaders, victim advocates, prosecutors, law enforcement and service professionals will again join together with Reisig and Yolo County District Attorney's Office to recognize victims' rights and the devastating impact of crime on victims, neighborhoods, schools and our nation as a whole. Captain Ike Iketani, Assistant Chief of the California Highway Patrol Protective Services Division, will be giving the keynote address.

Reisig will be honoring five families or individuals who have survived through very different types of victimization. These families have had their cases adjudicated through the court process, while trying to get their lives back in place from an unspeakable assault or the shocking loss of a loved one. The honorees include:

Two motorcycle riders struck by a young woman driving sports utility vehicle. She failed to stop leaving one rider severely and permanently injured. Their families went to court regularly over a period of five years and finally witnessed the conviction and sentencing of the hit and run driver.

An identity theft victim who had discovered that his credit had been used to buy a car, qualify for two mortgages and multiple credit cards. Although he is still making efforts to repair his credit, he was very involved in helping the prosecution send the defendant to prison for six years.

The family of a murder victim who lost their loved one when he was shot and killed in an altercation in broad daylight in West Sacramento. The family was instrumental in pressing for the prosecution of the case and dedicated to seeking justice for their loved one. Ultimately the shooter was sentenced to 45 years to life in state prison.

The family of a domestic violence victim who was attempting to escape a violent relationship with her estranged husband. The husband found her working in an orchard in Dunnigan and he shot and killed her and fled to Mexico. At the trial, the couple's son cooperated with the prosecution and showed immense courage in testifying about prior acts of violence and the unusual events on the morning of his mother's murder.

A victim who had been molested by her stepfather who finally found the courage to report to her family and law enforcement after five years. Her bravery in reporting the abuse and standing up against her perpetrator resulted in the defendant being sentenced to over 24 years in state prison.

The Davis High School Madrigals Group will be performing at the event. The ceremony will be held at Woodland Opera House, 340 Second Street in Woodland on April 23, 2012 from noon to 1pm. The public is welcome and encouraged to join the DA's office for this important tribute event.

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