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The hometown paper of Linda Drummond

Planners' decision overturned

By DAWN VAN DYKE
Express city editor

With a unanimous vote, the Winters City Council overturned the planning commission's decision to require a full Environmental Impact Report (EIR) on the Callahan Estates project. The project, a 120-unit subdivision located east of Silver Ridge Estates, west of Carter Ranch and north to Shirley Rominger School, is one of two that have sparked controversy since early in the year.

After months of public hearings, the planning commission at its June meeting voted by a narrow, 3-2 margin, to require an EIR. The applicant, Hofmann Land Development Company, appealed the decision to the city council several days later. The council delayed its decision in July, asking for more information regarding the biological and traf-

fic studies. On Tuesday, Aug. 17, the council received the reports and held a second public hearing.

Contract Planner Heidi Tschudin opened the discussion by telling the council James Estep, of Jones & Stokes, was asked to perform a peer review of the biological study. Foothill Associates performed the original study, which was disputed in several areas by Shawn Smallwood, who was asked to study the site by Winters resident Lisa Rocca.

In addition, questions had been raised by residents regarding city staff's recommendation that the West Central Master Plan (WCMP) be rescinded during the project application process. Tschudin said the plan could be updated, but there are several parts of the plan that

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Goats are great



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Winters FFA student Sarah Hazeltine brought her goats to this year's Yolo County Fair, and won Reserve Grand Champion with her market goat, and placed second in the Advanced Market Goat Showmanship competition. The fair took place at the Yolo County fairgrounds in Woodland, Aug. 18-22.

School suspensions soar on Winters campuses

By GARY BEALL
Express correspondent

Student suspension rates in Winters schools have increased dramatically over the last two years, raising a red flag that district leaders say must be addressed.

There were 576 student suspensions in all schools during the 2003-04 school year and 632 in 2002-03, compared with 250 in 2001-02.

Fighting and disrupting school ac-

tivities are the primary reasons for suspensions, and they are occurring in all schools from elementary through high school. During the 2003-04 year, there were 76 suspensions at Waggoner Elementary School, 27 at Rominger Intermediate School, 248 at Winters Middle School, 98 at Wolfskill School and 127 at Winters High School.

Classroom time lost due to suspensions at all schools totaled 1,092.5 days, costing the district

\$37,506 in average daily attendance revenue.

"I don't want to sound alarmist, but I also don't want to give the impression that it's not a problem, because it is," school district superintendent Dale Mitchell told district trustees meeting on Aug. 5.

If there is a positive side, it is that expulsions, the result of more serious offenses, have not increased

See **SCHOOL** on page A-8

Promotions reviewed

By GARY BEALL
Special to the Express

It's too soon to tell whether there will be changes in next June's promotion ceremony for eighth graders at Winters Middle School, but district trustees are encouraging a change

and school principal Carla Najera is creating a committee to explore options.

District trustees are concerned that the ceremony is too much like the high school graduation ceremony. Trustee

See **REVIEW** on page A-10

Football contest begins today

The Annual Winters Merchants Football Contest begins in today's Winters Express and will continue for 13 weeks. Games, both college and professional, are to be played the weekend of Sept. 4-5.

Entries in the first contest must be turned into the Express office by noon next Wednesday or postmarked prior to that date if mailed in.

See **FOOTBALL** on page A-8

What a 'Night'



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Sharing a jovial moment in the Winters Theatre Company production of William Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" on Friday, Aug. 20, are (from left) Germaine Hupe, Larry Justus, Joanie Bryant and Michael Villavicencia. (Story on page A-11.)

FUTURE SUBSCRIBERS

JACK BENNET "BEN" LOUER is the new child and first son of Molly and Tom Louer of Phoenix, Arizona. Born on Aug. 20, 2004 he weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces. He joins big sisters Lindsey, 5, and Lauren, 3. Maternal grandparents are Georgie and Dennis Mariani, of Winters. Paternal grandparents are Ed Louer of Ohio, and Jennifer Kulseth, of Tucson, Arizona. Great grandmothers are Mrs. Evelyn Sweeney, of San Luis Obispo and Ellen Young, of Ohio. Ben is Dennis and Georgie's tenth grandchild.

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Vacaville and Fairfield.)

WEATHER

Weather readings are taken at 9 a.m. each day, covering the previous 24 hour period.

Date	Rain	HI	Lo
Aug. 18		97	65
Aug. 19		101	61
Aug. 20		96	62
Aug. 21		98	59
Aug. 22		96	62
Aug. 23		88	60
Aug. 24		87	63

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Normal to Aug. 30: .05

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OBITUARIES

Jackie B. Waterman

Mrs. Jackie Waterman passed away on Friday, Aug. 13, 2004 at Sutter Davis Hospital. Born on Aug. 19, 1932 in Bakersfield, she was 71 years old.

Mrs. Waterman grew up in Reno and graduated from Reno High School. She later married and moved to Sacramento where she raised her family and lived until moving to Winters 12 years ago. Mrs. Waterman owned Suspects Dinner Theater in Sacramento for the past 15 years. She enjoyed cooking and was a chef who was published in Bon Appetit Magazine. Her family described her greatest passion as being with her family.

She is survived by her children Julie Clifton of Sierraville, and Paul D. Waterman of Carmichael. She leaves her grandchildren Mike Eads and Tiffany Sonju, both of Winters, Jordan Waterman and Dalton Waterman, both of Carmichael; great-grandchildren Trinity and Isaiah Eads, of Winters. She is also survived by her sister Bobbie Ronk, of Connecticut.

Visitation was held on Wednesday, Aug. 18, at the Davis Funeral Chapel. A graveside funeral service was held on Thursday, Aug. 19, at 1 p.m. at the Winters Cemetery.

Davis Funeral Chapel assisted with the arrangements.

Weekly police report

- August 1-22**

~ A vehicle registration tab was stolen from a vehicle license plate.
- August 12**

~ On the 400 block of Russell Street, a vehicle was vandalized.
- August 15-16**

~ On the 900 block of East Grant Avenue, property was stolen from the rear of a business. Loss: \$360.
- August 16**

~ Jerod Daniel Martinez, 26, of Winters was arrested on an outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrant charging him with violation of probation on previous charges of inflicting corporal injury on a spouse/cohabitant. Martinez was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ A found camera was turned over to the police department.

- August 18**

~ Michael Roy Andrews, 35, of Vacaville drove his motorcycle from a parked position on Railroad Avenue. The kickstand was in the down position and it caught the road, causing the motorcycle to veer to the right. The motorcycle collided into the rear of a parked vehicle.
- August 20**

~ On the 100 block of East Grant Avenue, officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was found secure.
- August 21**

~ On the 1000 block of Berryessa Court, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The residence was found secure.
- August 22**

~ Guadalupe Alvares, 19, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and no proof of insurance.
- August 23**

~ Found keys were turned over to the police department.

Winters weekly fire report

- August 16**

~ 6:40 p.m., mutual aid to Solano County, vehicle accident at southbound Interstate 505 at Wolfskill Road; minor injuries.

~ 11:13 p.m., medical aid, 300 block of East Main Street; allergic reaction.
- August 17**

~ 12:53 p.m., vegetation fire, State Highway 128 at The Horseshoe; small roadside fire.
- August 18**

~ 6:27 p.m., mutual aid to Solano County, vegetation fire, 7700 block of Blue Ridge Road in Vacaville; large fire with structures threatened.

~ 9:37 p.m., fire assist at

- Railroad Avenue and Russell Street; non-injury traffic accident.
- August 19**

~ 12:57 p.m., medical aid, first block of East Edwards Street; person having chest pains.

~ 4 p.m., medical aid, 800 block of West Grant Avenue; person having heart stroke.
- August 20**

~ 2:20 a.m., mutual aid to Solano County, vehicle accident at Pleasants Valley Road at Highway 128; cancelled by Vacaville Fire District.

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Berryessa drops .52 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa fell by .52 of a foot during the past week with a reduction in storage of 9,539 acre feet of water, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 429.84 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,411,244 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 425 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 34 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 282 acre feet of water per day during the week.

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In the summer of 1975, the Winters Fire Department had a new rescue vehicle. Standing in front are, left to right: Chief Vernon Bruhn, David Kidder, David Hightower, Louie Javier, Salvador Romero and Ken Hattabaugh.

35 YEARS AGO

September 4, 1969

The following members of the Winters High School Class of 1969 have indicated their future studies as follows:

Joe Barbosa, Ernie Frost, Howard Kato, Pat Riley, Linda Shimomura, Joe Soto, and Nancy Young, University of California, Davis Campus. Kenneth Busbee, Brigham Young University, Utah. Robbie Coman, University of San Francisco. Eva Adams, San Jose State College.

Anne Reimers, Chico State College. Sandy Tufts, San Diego State College. Linda Gutierrez, South Western College. Charley Wallace, California State Polytechnic College, San Luis Obispo. Kenny Kato, Bill Martin, Richard Pitts, Virginia Roberts, Lorraine Rominger, Sacramento State College. Connie Clark, Phyllis Gordon, Napa Junior College. Lester Hattabaugh, Yuba Junior College. Connie Paul, Sierra Junior College. Charlotte Rainwater, Stanislaus Junior College. Gary Tucker, Tom Goheen, Lassen Junior College. Dick Crum, Rex Hughes, Cathy Kriser, Jerry Martin, John Martin, Fred Roybal, Sacramento City College. Bob Pace, Ted Pedde, Bethany Bible College, Santa Cruz. Paula Olander, San Francisco Art Academy. Debbie Boyer, Mary Lizarraga, Sacramento School of Medical and Dental Assistants. Annie Rubio, Heald's Business College. Marla Buckmaster, Fairfield Beauty Academy. Linda Corbett, Vallejo Beauty Academy.

50 YEARS AGO

September 2, 1954

Work has begun on the left abutment of the Monticello Dam, on the north side of Putah Creek.

The grading and surfacing of the Winters-Dunnigan cutoff from Winters to 2.75 miles north of Madison was listed as Number 1 Yolo highway need by the California State Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. and Mrs. Conception Acosta, of Winters, are the parents of a daughter, born at the Woodland Clinic Hospital September 1, 1954.

Rudy S. George, radarman second class, serving in the U. S. Navy, is assigned to the Aircraft Carrier Philippine Sea, which is on duty in the Far East.

Soldiers home over the weekend included Stewart Potter, from Santa Ana, and Warren Johnston, stationed at the Army Language School at Monterey.

The Winters Grammar School Board of Trustees voted Tuesday night to purchase a 60 passenger school bus from Frisbee Motor Sales for \$7172.54.

Mrs. Verda Erb has returned to her Reno home after visiting in Oakland with her daughter, Mrs. Robert MacNeur and in Winters, with her brother, Kimbrough Bowman and Aunt, Miss Annie Baker.

Mrs. Eva Duncan hosted a family dinner party mid-week honoring the birthday anniversary of her son, Bill Duncan.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Johnson sold the ranch in Wolfskill district belonging to the late Mr. and Mrs. E. (Joe) Pezzatti, to Mrs. F. D. Draper.

65 YEARS AGO

September 1, 1939

The high school year started Monday, August 28, with the enrollment of 174 students.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Bigelow and Mrs. C. S. Chambers were in attendance Tuesday at O. E.S. day at Treasure Island.

The price for dried peaches opened here at 5 cents two or three weeks ago, but has risen to 5 1/2 cents.

There are 12 local students among the 35 reported registered from Yolo County at the Davis Agricultural College. The local students are Cameron Girtton, Marjorie Herron, Mae Holmes, John Griffin, Richard Guthrie and Douglas Fenley. New Registrants are Tom Taniguchi, Jack Mermod, Robert Gale, Victor Ish, Arthur Ish, and Ben Shimomura.

The Solano County health department which functioned during the past year at a cost of \$7,217.92 was discontinued by action of the Board of Supervisors last week.

Drilling of the gas well on the Conrad ranch northeast of town is proceeding at the rate of two to three hundred feet per day. The hole was around 2500 feet deep by Tuesday.

Theodore Thorp, who has been ill for several weeks at the Woodland Clinic has sufficiently recovered to be taken to the home of his sister, Mrs. Henry Roth in Woodland.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mosolf, who have returned to town for the opening of school spent their vacation with relatives in Seattle.

100 YEARS AGO

September 2, 1904

The celebration committee held an enthusiastic meeting yesterday afternoon and decided to hold the festivities over the completion of the ditch Saturday, September 24.

Mrs. J. E. Sackett went to San Francisco last week for an extended visit.

J. A. Henderson and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Settle will start east next week.

John Fischer is building on his farm west of town, and will begin housekeeping soon.

Dr. M. O. Wyatt went to San Francisco Monday on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Lee Briggs left for Missouri and the St. Louis exposition Thursday. They will be gone about two months.

Rad Dafeo went over to Dixon Wednesday for his wife and children. The latter had been visiting Mrs. Dafeo's grandmother Mrs. Udell.

Miss Hazel Cook of Maxwell came here last Sunday and will attend high school. She will make her home with M. Nathan and family.

The Winters Dried Fruit Company is doing a lively business. Two cars of apricots were shipped to Europe this week, and three cars of pits were sent to Davisville to be cracked.

High school opened Monday with an unusually large attendance. Trustees Gregory and Brinck were present, and in a short address, Mr. Gregory told the students the success of the school depended almost entirely upon their efforts.

The Express office will be closed on Monday, Sept. 6, for Labor Day.

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Opinion



DEBRA LO GUERCIO BECAUSE I SAY SO

LET GAY PEOPLE MARRY? Hay-ull no. Thank goodness the California Supreme Court put an end to that one. It's for their own good. By virtue of their inability to tie the noose —oops, I meant knot — gays were spared the quiet despair resulting from legally binding yourself to another person until one of you suffocates the other to death first.

Gay couples, you've got a good thing going! It's called love! Don't louse it up by getting married! Marriage is to love what Round-Up is to weeds. Trust me on this one.

As for all this hooey about gay weddings threatening marriage itself, I got news for ya. Gay couples don't threaten marriage. It's people like me who threaten marriage — the ones who got out. Let's be logical: More marriage doesn't endanger marriage. Divorce endangers marriage.

You want to protect marriage? Make divorce illegal. But be warned — more folks may exercise their “till death do us part” option. At least if you go to prison, there's a chance of parole. A “no deposit, no return” marriage is a life sentence.

Maybe there's a way to fortify our marriage laws that won't result in securing the services of Mark Geragos: make it more difficult to marry in the first place. Consider what we go through to get a driver's license.

First, there's education, in the classroom and behind the wheel. After six months of practice, we must pass written and road tests to receive a restricted driver's license. If you don't screw up for six more months, you get a real license. But even then, it's not really permanent. If you abuse your driving privileges or injure someone, your license can be suspended or revoked. You can't drive again until you prove you can handle it. Even if your driving record is squeaky clean, you must renew your license at regular intervals to ensure that you meet the standards to drive.

(Allow me to sidetrack for a moment to emphasize that gays have been getting drivers licenses for years, and it appears to have no impact whatsoever on the number of heterosexuals behind the wheel. Draw the analogy, people. I know you can.)

If we require all this before letting people drive, shouldn't we do the same before letting them choose a lifelong partner and bring children into the world? If we applied the same rigors to marriage licenses as we do to drivers licenses, the divorce rate would plummet.

Beginning in high school, students should have to take a course focusing on the realities of marriage (as in, there's more to it than weddings and honeymoons), human sexuality (not just biology, but a frank discussion of mature sexual intimacy) and child-rearing (what it means to be responsible for another human being for two decades).

Next, an age limit will be established signifying the maturity required to choose a life partner. Thirty works nicely. Before 30, you still don't really know who you are, let alone who you should spend your life with. Until you reach that legal marrying age, it's all practice, practice, practice. Dating, in other words. Break-ups, make-ups, and everything in between.

So, you've jumped through all the hoops and said “I do.” Finally married, right? Wrong. Just like driving a car, there's that “restricted” period, during which you don't get the full benefits of marriage, like tax breaks or offspring. Not until your first anniversary, when a mutual decision is made about whether or not to make the marriage official. If so, congratulations! If not, pick yourselves up, dust yourselves off and try, try again. No strings, no hard feelings.

And, just like a driver's license, there's a renewal process every five years: “You still want to stick around? Yeah, me too. Let's do it again.” If you fall short in the “love, honor and cherish” department, Cupid swoops down and revokes your marital privileges. And you don't get them back until you prove you can handle them.

Treating marriage like a responsibility, with all the necessary permits, training and proficiency will do far more to protect the institution of marriage than preventing gay marriage ever will. Maybe we should focus our attention to “how” we marry rather than “who.”

Supports more energy efficiency

Dear Editor,

Bravo to David Springer and the city of Winters for pursuing the options to promote energy efficiency and Solar energy technology (“Energy ideas aired” Aug. 5) The city of Winters is in an excellent position to move toward a sustainable energy future by adopting local ordinances that promote the latest solar technology and strongest energy efficient building standards.

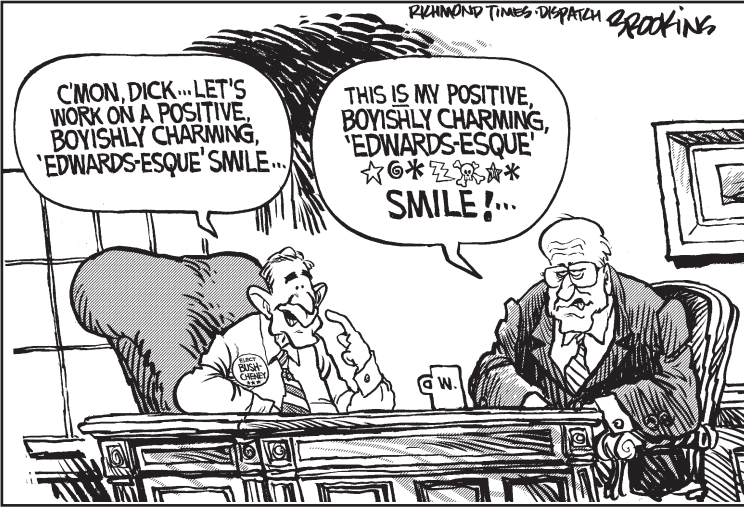
The Yolo Energy Efficiency Project (YEEP) is one resource available to all Winters residents and businesses. Residents can attend one of the many Energy Choices workshops, receive a \$1 square foot rebate on Sun Screens, and pick up their bag of free compact fluorescent light

bulbs at any YEEP event.

Business and apartment building owners can access the Lights Lite program to save money with a lighting retrofit project. The YEEP calendar of events and program information is available at www.yoloenergy.org or call us at 753-9337.

Winters residents can also learn more about Solar energy options and visit local examples by attending the Yolo County Solar Tour on Saturday Oct. 2. There will be several Winters homes on the tour, and it ends up at the wonderful Hoes Down Festival. Save the date!

LIZ MERRY
Marketing Director
Valley Energy Efficiency Corporation



LETTERS

What are his motives?

Dear Editor:

I am one of those people who has called for an Environmental Impact Report for the proposed housing projects in the northwest corner of Winters, but am not one of those people who believe that we should not build one more house in town. I recognize that there will be some growth over time, and that intelligent, well-paced growth is a good thing, and healthy for our community.

But imagine growth in the next few years that exceeds that “one more house” pace of growth by say, 2,500 houses. Imagine doubling the size of Winters in the next few years. Think it won't happen here? Think again.

In the recent city council meetings where the developers have sought appeal of the planning commission decision to require an EIR for both projects, I've noticed a lot of new faces in suits and ties eagerly following the outcome of the appeal. Among those has been a familiar face — a former, recent Winters city planner.

Initially I thought that he was attending these meetings as some sort of expert witness to explain city planning policy in recent years. I struck up a conversation with him and talked at length after the last council appeals hearing, and came to find out that he was in these meetings observing in his new capacity as a representative of Richland Communities, a subsidiary of Richland Investments, Corp. Why this interest in Winters planning and politics after he had left the city planner post? The story is quite revealing.

Richland Communities is a real estate development and investment corporation with holdings in California and Florida, with the California holdings alone reported to be in excess of \$300 million with over 9,000 acres. Richland itself builds no houses. Its niche business is to acquire land that might ultimately become commercial or residential development, and to push through the process of obtaining “entitlements” from local agencies (planning commission, city council) that allow for water and sewage hookups, electricity lines, and street maps.

Richland then sells off the land ready for development to one of its client entities at a profit so that construction can begin. Call it a “middle man” for development. Call it low-risk, lucrative land speculation. Client organizations read like a “who's who” of California construction and big box stores, including Wal-Mart, Target, Lowe's and Home Depot on the commercial side, and U.S. Homes, Standard Pacific Homes, Pulte Homes, Kaufman-Broad Homes and Centex on the residential side.

Richland now owns the land formerly owned by Pulte at the end of Moody Slough Road just west of the wastewater treatment facility just outside the city limits. A few years ago, plans were underway by the previous owner to build 2,200 homes in a gated community on that same property. Richland plans to push forward a plan to have Winters annex that land into the city limits, and to obtain the entitlements to develop that land.

This is where our former city planner comes in. In his new role representing Richland, he will be moving into an office in town to shepherd through the process of annexing the land into the city limits, obtaining the necessary entitlements. Maintaining a presence in the community will sell Richland as a good neighbor, and plans include outreach to the community and sponsorship of some events.

Because Richland's representative to Winters is the former city planner, preparing the land for development should not be too difficult. Who better knows the players in the community or the staff at city hall? Who better knows the Winters planning process, or any loopholes that might be found in the General Plan? Who could better secure the annexing of the land into the city limits, or might find it easier to get that done through the county?

An office presence, sponsorship of community events, question and answer sessions, being that good neighbor, working closely with old friends and colleagues, a little wining, a little dining — how can Richland lose? And how much is there to be made in profit if Richland can afford all this to make this project go, without building a single house? My guess is plenty.

And there's another reason that Richland could score this annexation and a street map. With the completion of the hundredth house in either the proposed Winters Highlands or Callahan Estates projects, we have reached our absolute limit on wastewater treatment capacity, which means new sewage treatment facilities must be built at great expense.

There must be enough land to accommodate the new facility, land that the city must acquire. Where would that facility expansion likely occur? Most likely on land owned by, you guessed it, Richland Communities. A probable quid pro quo scenario could involve some sort of swap of land for the facility in exchange for the rights to annex and develop the land in this new, giant construction project.

Might this be why the Winters Highlands and Callahan Estates developers are so adamantly against an Environmental

See **MOTIVES** on page B-2



CHARLES R. WALLACE

A QUICK OPINION

FAMILY FUN. It's not every day that the Wallace family gets together. Truth be told, it is only recently that we could be in the same room together without getting into some type of fight. The guy that is supposed to be on page 2, and my mother, have five children and nine grandchildren. I can't remember the last time we were all in the same picture. It might have been when my sister Lois got married, and she has three children, the oldest is about 12.

My brother Jim's daughter, Sina, got married last month and everyone showed up for the big event. Sina, or Dr. Wallace as we like to call her, just received her Ph.D. in dietetics from UCD. She found a nice man named Dennis Johnson who asked her to marry him. Brother Jim gave his blessing and everything moved along, culminating in a wonderful ceremony in Foresthill, just above Auburn.

Just before the ceremony got started, everyone gathered for a family portrait. The photographer was a little worried because the wedding was supposed to be starting, but I told her the wedding could wait until after we had our picture taken. No one listens to me, so Brother Jim stepped forward and explained it in simple terms. The picture came first.

Getting the nine grandchildren together wasn't that hard and getting the parents to stand together was easier than we thought. Finding all four brothers and a sister was the hard part. We finally had everyone in the picture, the flash went off and everyone took their seats, waiting for the bride. My permanent tenant leaned over and mentioned that Sina, the bride, wasn't in the picture. I looked at the wedding coordinator but she didn't look like she wanted to stop the bridal party from walking down the aisle for another picture.

After the ceremony I talked to the photographer and mentioned Photoshop. She laughed. Photoshop is a computer program that lets you manipulate photos, adding people or deleting background. With digital photos and Photoshop you should never trust a photo again. I haven't seen the wedding photos, yet, but I think I'll bend a few rules and add the bride and groom to the family photo. Dennis, welcome to the family.

IS THE SKY FALLING? I've been making this offer too often lately, but here it is again. Winters isn't going to double in size any time soon and anyone who keeps waving a red flag and saying that if we don't watch out we're doomed to be overpowered by developers, needs a new hobby. If anyone wants to put some money down on Winters doubling in size in the next two, five or even 10 years, my phone number is 795-4551.

Remember our city slogan; “Too incompetent to grow.” Even if there was a desire to double our size in the next ten years, we couldn't get it done. Our planning commission only meets once a month, and it is taking 6 months just to approve 100 homes, and they aren't done yet. Try getting 2,500 home through City Hall and you'll start to see my point.

Does this mean that we should stop being vigilant in watching what goes on at City Hall? No. We should be debating a growth rate we can live with, solar powered homes, traffic, parks or whatever else we can think of, and not standing around telling everyone the sky is falling.

Have a good week.

‘Twelfth Night’ was labor of love

Dear Editor,

The Winters Theatre Company's production of “Twelfth Night” by William Shakespeare opened its two weekend run last Thursday and Friday in the outdoor venue behind the Community Center.

Our audiences left with smiles on their faces and very favorable comments about our version of Shakespeare's comedy. The play was really a labor of love for both cast and crew. We had to provide 17 Elizabethan costumes and change our stage location, but the charm of the play and the appreciation of our audience made the production well worth the effort.

You can still attend a

performance of “Twelfth Night” on this coming Friday or Saturday. The play will begin at 8:00 pm, and children under twelve are admitted free if accompanied by an adult.

Join us to enjoy the love poetry and witty dialogue of Shakespeare, the antics of the comic characters, Sir Toby Belch and Sir Andrew Aguecheek, the ironic wit of Feste, the singing Jester, and the humbling of Malvolio, the haughty steward.

The members of WTC appreciate your patronage and support as we bring classic theatre to Winters.

Thank you.

GERMAINE HUPE
Winters Community Theatre

Wants dog park in development

Dear Editor,

I have a dog, and we don't take him out much for fear of him getting hurt. While the planning commission is planning, I'd like to suggest a dog park.

At the park, there should be an agility

course with raising and lowering jumps so dogs of all sizes can get exercise. This will help dogs and people get fun exercise. It should include a safety fence around the entire park.

NATALIE KANE
Age 9

The deadline to submit Letters to the Editor is Mondays at noon



KAYCEE TENNEY

Tenney returns to Irish Pub karaoke

Kaycee Tenney will take over Tuesday night karaoke at the Irish Pub on Aug. 31 at 8 p.m.. According to pub owner, Suzy Bonin, Tenney is credited with starting the first karaoke singing in Winters several years ago. Tenny has studied voice since the age of 13 with various local coaches such as Dean Friedrich,

Connie Lisec and Anna Smirnova. She ran one of the most successful entertainment-karaoke shows in the Solano, Yolo and Sacramento areas, blending guest singers with audience participation, packing houses wherever she went. For the past nine years she has been living in Hollywood with her hus-

band, composer Dennis Tenney. They are home on sabbatical this summer in preparation of their next venture with Prodigy Entertainment and look forward to spending time at one of their favorite spots in Northern California, the Irish Pub. "Come sing with me," says Tenney.

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APPEAL

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are obsolete. In addition, she said page nine of the report cites areas where the project is inconsistent with the WCMP and where the WCMP is inconsistent with the General Plan.

At that point, Estep addressed the biological study. He said he reviewed the documents and surveyed the site. His conclusion was that in the report "there were deficiencies of various levels in terms of information."

"They could have beefed it up more."

However, Estep noted that he "did not find information lacking that would have taken this project to an EIR."

Estep told the council the mitigation measures proposed by Foothill Associates for potential impacts were insufficient and he suggested several revisions. His suggestions for additional or revised mitigation covered potential impacts to Swainson's hawks, Burrowing owls, federally listed invertebrates (later identified as fairy shrimp) and wetlands. In all, he said, the Foothill Associates report had some deficiencies and could have provided more clarity.

Council member Woody Fridae asked if Estep had studied the report submitted by Shawn Smallwood. Estep said yes. He noted that some of the recommendations made by Smallwood and Foothill Associates were contrary.

"With your suggested mitigation measures there would be no significant impact?" asked Fridae. Estep said that was correct.

Fridae asked Estep for some background. He said he has worked with and for several state agencies including the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. He has worked for Jones & Stokes for approximately 16 years, is a U.C. Davis graduate and has worked and lived in Yolo County for 20 years.

Fridae wanted to know how much credibility the council should give the original report.

"How can we know if it's valid and if it will stand the test of CEQA?"

As an example, Estep spoke about nesting, noting that the data is limited and there would be variation in the reports.

"There's nothing wrong with that."

Estep recommended using the Department of Fish and Game standard.

Council member Harold Anderson asked about the mitigation for wetlands.

With regard to the number of species observed, or likely to occur, on the site, Fridae asked if Estep had any criticism of the list on the report.

He said species that could potentially occur

on the site and those that actually occur on the site are two different things.

Martinez asked what mitigation measures would be different with an EIR versus a Negative Declaration of Environmental Impact, which was recommended by city staff. Estep said the potential impacts would be addressed and mitigated in the same way with both. Fridae asked if a Negative Declaration looks at cumulative impact. Estep said an EIR would provide more extensive analysis of that issue.

However, he noted, "in this case, the mitigating measures are appropriate and even with cumulative analysis, it would not create any different mitigation measures."

Estep said he wouldn't recommend doing a cumulative analysis for any one project, because it was already done for the General Plan, unless there is a problem with the General Plan analysis.

Anderson asked about the traffic mitigation for the intersection of Walnut Lane and State Highway 128. He noted that the mitigation measures would be left up to the council to decide; he asked why a traffic signal couldn't be placed there.

City Engineer Nick Ponticello said a traffic signal could be a mitigation measure, but noted that the intersection does not meet the Cal Trans warrants for one. He said Cal Trans would not support placement of a traffic signal there.

"We could need to convince them that the city would pay [for the project] and work out a maintenance agreement."

Staff recommended allowing only right turns in and out of the intersection, but, Ponticello noted, the council can choose which mitigation measure it wants to ask for.

Further discussion of the traffic study included intersections where traffic signals would be required, street width standards and the eventual widening of Grant Avenue.

Bob Grandy, of Grandy and Associates, who prepared the traffic study, was in attendance. Fridae asked if the area north of town is not developed as outlined in the General Plan, due to flooding issues, would it make a difference to the mitigation measures required in current projects. Grandy said it could. However, he noted that if the land use in that area is not developed, and no houses are constructed there, the traffic impacts from that area would also not materialize.

Martinez wanted to know how much information in the traffic study came from counting strips, intersection and roadway counts. Grandy

said the traffic study used information assuming near term projects and General Plan build-out.

Council member Tom Stone asked if Grant Avenue widening would still occur. Grandy said eventually, yes. However, it was noted that there is no ability to widen Grant Avenue west of Railroad Avenue to Waggoner Elementary School.

Several residents spoke at the public hearing. Frank Ramos addressed two issues. First, he said he was concerned about traffic at Walnut Lane and Grant Avenue. He said if the issue was just convenience, then residents could live with it. But, he said, it is a safety issue; it especially affects drivers heading east on Grant Avenue trying to turn left onto Walnut Lane.

"Safety has to be paramount," he said.

Second, he addressed park development. He said there is a serious need for continuing development of parks in Winters.

"We have a real need for a regional sports park in Winters," said Ramos, noting that the school district is being squeezed in

the use of its fields by youth sports organizations, which have no place else to hold games. He pointed out that the General Plan calls for a sports park.

He called it "a real benefit to the community and something that's really well needed."

William Spalding, Lisa Rocca, Kevin Jackson and Marcia Gibbs all spoke in favor of asking for an EIR. Jon Tice presented the council with a map on which he had drawn his vision of the future development of Winters.

Both Spalding and Rocca questioned how the proposed development would impact the Wastewater Treatment Facility. Ponticello responded. He said the plant is designed to be expanded in phases.

"There is no plan to build a new plant in the city," said Ponticello.

He pointed out that all improvements to the facility would be funded using development impact fees. In addition, he said the city has no plans to change its sewer treatment system from a spray plant and noted that in 1996, property out-

side the General Plan area was identified to be developed in the future as additional spray fields.

"The city has known for a very long time that it would need to expand the plant," said Ponticello.

Ponticello noted that the city is aware that other developers have proposed plans to develop the land around the existing spray fields. However, he pointed out that the city's obligation is to serve the General Plan and the city has never agreed to any plan to jointly share that land. He acknowledged that there has been a lot of money spent by those who are speculating on developing outside the General Plan area. However, he noted that the city is not dependent on developers to expand the sewer

plant.

"The city has options to acquire that land for expansion of the Wastewater Treatment Facility," said Ponticello, who noted that one of those options is the use of eminent domain.

In addition, he said the land would be paid for by development, not existing taxpayers.

As for the Callahan project, Ponticello said the developers have funded a study to see if they can direct sewage flow south rather than being dependent on Winters Highlands to go north.

Anderson asked if that would be an interim solution and if the developer would be obliged to fund a permanent sewer solution. Ponticello said that

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CHAMBER NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

Chamber doings

By **DAN MAGUIRE**
Executive director
Winters Chamber
of Commerce

Thanks to everyone who helped us on this year's Earthquake Street Festival. I have received lots of great feedback on the 2004 Earthquake Festival. The consensus is that this years' entertainment was the best ever.

I have many people I would like to thank and I would like to single out a few individuals who really went above and beyond in helping at the Festival. Debra LoGuercio did an excellent job setting up and running the entertainment from start to finish. She is dangerously close to a lifetime appointment to the entertainment chairperson position.

Again this year, the result of her efforts was entertainment that was wonderful and truly diverse, with masters of ceremonies John Clifford and Debbie Carrion making the entertainment even more "kid fun." The Chamber truly appreciates all of the talent who performed this year before the main act, the Time Bandits: The 220 Band, A Taste of Hawaii, the Bakuatsu taiko drummers and the Syrinx belly dancers.

Lance and Gina Linville of Valley Floors did a spectacular job securing our business sponsors,

then jumped in and helped at the beer booth. Kyle Spears of Spears Electric made sure we didn't have any electrical problems during the festival.

I want to thank the following board members and Chamber members who gave up a good part of their evening to help us staff the Chamber booth: My thanks to the aforementioned Lance and Gina, Paul and Linn Myer (they also take care of all publicity and advertising), Nancy Meyer, Charlotte Lloyd, Howard Hupe, Debbie and Mike ("I'll pull a double shift") LaShure, Pam Aguilera, Dave Baxter, Dave and Nanci Mills, Cecil Padilla, Gloria Marion, Terri Baker, Charley Wallace, John and Liz Siracusa, and Steve Casselli. Charley, John and Steve stayed and helped with the "breakdown", at a time of the evening when all you want to do is go home. These guys are the best!

Speaking of the best, the cleanup by the Winters Music Boosters kids was phenomenal. Cleanup after the Earthquake Festival is a pretty disgusting job, but they did the best job I've every seen done. If one of your kids was part of the cleanup crew, you should take pride that you have a remarkable kid who is not

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Welcome



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
Joyce Snyder (left), owner of The Arte Junction, is welcomed into the Winters business community by Dan Maguire, executive director of the Winters Chamber of Commerce. He presented her with a plant donated by Chris' Florist. The new art studio will open in the upcoming months at 7 East Main Street when work on the building is completed.

The Winters Chamber of Commerce office is located inside the Community Center at 201 Railroad Avenue. The hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Call 795-2329 for information about the Chamber.

Chamber to host next mixer

September's Chamber Mixer is being hosted by the Winters Chamber of Commerce. This is the one mixer of the year that is actually hosted by the Chamber rather than a local business and is the Chamber's chance to thank the community for their support of our local businesses.

On Monday, Sept. 13, the Third Annual Chamber Appreciation Barbecue takes place at the Community Center,

201 Railroad Avenue. This is the largest mixer of the year and all members of the community are invited to join us from 5:30-7 p.m. a barbecue catered by Buckhorn Catering.

This year, all Winters Joint Unified School District employees are invited as guests of the Chamber, as a way of fostering interaction between the local educational and business communities.

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SCHOOL

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much — there were 14 in 2003-04, 13 the previous year, and 14 in 2001-02. Most expulsions are associated with substance abuse, physical violence or weapon possession.

Mitchell told district trustees that Winters may be experiencing a changing student population that no longer isolates its schools from problems that used to be associated only with surrounding school districts.

Trustee Russell Lester commented that he would like to see data from districts similar to Winters to see if they are experiencing similar increases in discipline problems. He questioned whether some of the increase could be attributed to more stress on students from stricter district policies.

Winters High School has already asked the board to approve hiring a

person to provide additional student supervision on campus, an action the board has not yet taken. Lester said he is not sure that more supervision is the answer.

“It’s very important to look at prevention strategies,” board chair Mary Jo Rodolfa added.

Mitchell said that the district needs to be proactive and that individual schools are reviewing ways to promote positive student behavior. He cited a new program at Winters Middle School featuring increased assemblies and intramural programs to increase student involvement in school activities.

Increased communication with students about behavioral expectations, interesting and engaging learning activities, recognition for positive behavior and consequences for poor behavioral decisions, and more parent involvement are other actions being considered by the district.

CHAMBER

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afraid to roll up his/her sleeves and get a dirty job done. I know I’m proud of my son Bryan, who not only was part of the clean up crew, he was marking sidewalks at 8 in the morning and up on a ladder at midnight pulling down electrical cords from the streetlights. Thanks also to Brenden Benson and his FFA buddies for the loaner on the hay bales, and delivery and pick up on same. And, thanks to the Winters Fire Department for hanging the banner.

Back to the previously mentioned sponsors, please make it a point to thank all of our wonderful sponsors. Vintage Paving is our single largest sponsor and has always gone full tilt to support us on this event. First Northern Bank, Curves, Spears Electric, Valley Floors, Eagle Drug, The Palms and Pavestone all stepped to the plate with large sponsorships. In addition to financial support, Pavestone also provides the flatbed trailer we use for the entertainment stage.

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My final thanks are to Sergeant Sergio Gutierrez and officers Albert Ramos and Todd Barnett, and the other members of the Winters Police Department. Sergio spent time to help me on set-up and how to “do it better,” and the WPD’s common sense presence at the event sets the tone for responsible fun.

Lastly, I would like to invite everyone to join us at the September mixer on the Monday, Sept. 13. We again want to use the Chamber Appreciation Barbecue to welcome the Winters Joint Unified School District personnel back from their summer hiatus and welcome their new personnel to our community. It would be great if you can join us that evening to do just that.

FOOTBALL

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FIRE

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~ 12:08 p.m., mutual aid to Esparto, vegetation fire; cancelled by Esparto Fire District.

~ 5:34 p.m., vegetation fire, Russell Street at Railroad Avenue; small fire in the creek.

August 22
~ 12:06 p.m., vegetation fire, southbound

Interstate 505 at Russell Boulevard; fire near the exit.

~ 12:43 p.m., vegetation fire, northbound Interstate 505 at State Route 128; fire near the off-ramp.

~ 1:23 p.m., vegetation fire, northbound Interstate 505 at County Road 29; small road-side fire.

~ 6:35 p.m., vegetation fire, Interstate 505 at County Road 29; small fire in the median — unable to locate.

~ 10:10 p.m., medical aid, first block of Main Street; fall victim.

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Traveling thousands of miles to come 'home' to Winters

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

Rita Romagnoli gives new meaning to the term "home away from home." She traveled thousands of miles from Macerata, Italy to return to her Winters home. Romagnoli was an AFS student in 1979-80, and lived with John and Sandy Vickrey. She graduated with the Class of 1980, and says she was surprised to discover that her former classmate, George Griffin, is now the principal of the high school.

Romagnoli says that's not all that changed since she was here, recalling that the town's population was only 2,500 when she lived here — not even half of what it is now. When Romagnoli lived here, Greenwood's Department Store was still open on Main Street and Dean's Frostie was still a favorite teenage hangout.

Even though the businesses on Main Street have changed, Romagnoli says it is mostly still the way she remembers it. One thing she was glad to discover is that people haven't changed much here. They are still as friendly as they were 25 years ago. That friendliness made it easier for her to adapt to her American home.

"I got a chance to know a lot of people. They were so kind and friendly, and they were interested in me. I think that's really a nice thing."

She also noticed that many of her former classmates returned to Winters after going away to college, to raise families of their own here.

"It's a nice place to grow and have a family," she says.

Of all the people she met while in Winters, Romagnoli says the Vickreys are among the most dear to her.

"They are such a special family," she says, adding that she was excited to meet the Vickrey's youngest children, Jack



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
Rita Romagnoli (left) returned to her Winters "home" last week and visited with her Winters "family," John and Sandy Vickrey. She brought her son, Alessandro (center), along for the visit, and met the Vickrey's youngest son, Jack (right), for the first time.

and Devon, who weren't born yet when she lived with them.

Romagnoli went a long way back home after graduating from Winters High School, and also went a long way in her life so far. A graduate of IWAV, the architectural college in Venice, she now works as an architect and teaches in an architectural school. She also married, and has two children, Agnese, 14, and Alessandro, 12.

Although Romagnoli's home town has about the same population as Winters, she says they don't look at all the same. Macerata is a medieval town, with narrow stone streets lined with high-walled buildings. There is even an ancient castle in her town, and her house is actually located on the castle's property.

The towns may look different, but Romagnoli says the Internet and cable television shows like MTV have brought the world closer together. She traveled here this summer with her son, Alessandro, who com-

mented to her that Winters is "just like back home" because the music and dress is so similar. That's a big difference from Romagnoli's year here, before the days of the internet. She says when she arrived in Winters, she noticed that teens here dressed and acted differently than Italian teens, and the music was different. Nowadays, there's much more of a cross-cultural blend.

Romagnoli says she enjoyed visiting old friends during her stay here but adds that there were many people who've moved away or she just didn't get a chance to see.

"I want to say 'hi' to everyone I used to know," says Romagnoli to all those she missed, and says she was glad for the chance to come back to Winters, because it's special to her.

"I'm happy to be here again and visit. In a certain way, Winters was a part of my life. There is a part of my life here for one year — I had a school, friends and a family."

Rotary Park is concert site

Corey Nitschke will perform at Rotary Park this Saturday, Aug. 28, from 4-8 p.m. Corey will perform and emcee other bands as part of the Concert in the Park.

Corey (vocals/guitars) has been performing acoustic rock since 1995. Blending a classic rock feel infused by his love of Zeppelin and The Beatles with alternative/modern pop vocals (via Counting Crows and Everclear) and an acoustic rock edge to produce a happy-go-lucky style that gets into the crowd's heart as well as their feet. Hailing from Sacramento, he travels up and down the state of California in a convertible bringing his music and a little light into the world.

His first big hit, "Alone", was written on a Southwest Airlines flight to Iowa where Corey was visiting his sister for Thanksgiving. No matter how hard they tried, the flight attendants just could not shut him down. Since then Corey has written several hundred songs (no joke...seriously) including "Shakespeare Says" (using only lines from Will's famous poems and plays), "San Francisco", and the worship hit "Yield to the King." His love of music and passion for God enables Corey to deliver 110 percent pure joy every night he takes the stage. Every single show seems like an experi-

ence; it always is fresh and exciting.

Corey has taken the stage with Everybody Duck, Perception, Anguish Unsaid, and Lost Without You to name a few. He has performed at The Hangout in Hayward, The Boardwalk, Jacob's Well, Bella Vista High School, Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church and Folsom Concert in the Park in the Sacramento area, Has Beans in Chico, The Brick in Marysville, Hume Lake and First Presbyterian Church in Lakeview, Oregon.

The community is invited to attend the c o n c e r t . Refreshments will also be available for sale.

CPR course offered

The American Red Cross is offering a course in Adult CPR with Automated external defibrillator (AED) training on Tuesday, Aug. 31, from 6-10 p.m.

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Barbecue will raise funds for breast cancer walk

A community barbecue is planned for Saturday, Sept. 11, from 4-8 p.m. at Rotary Park to raise funds for Winters residents Colleen Cox and Jeanette DeVries, who will set out on the Susan G Komen 3-Day Breast Cancer Walk on Oct. 1. This is the third year in a row the two have trained for weeks and spent three days walking to help raise funds for breast cancer research. Each must raise \$2,000 to participate.

Food will be catered by Cody's Market Place, and local band Coyote will play classic rock and country tunes. There will also be children's activities, such as face painting, a bounce house and a dunk tank. A variety of prizes will be up for grabs in a raffle, includ-

ing a two-night stay at South Lake Tahoe Harrah's/Harvey's Resort complete with dinner and show tickets for two (valued at \$400), a two-night stay at Casa Munras Garden Hotel in Monterey, a Cache Creek weekend getaway, dinners and gift certificates.

The 60 mile walk takes place over a three day period, Oct. 1-3. Over 5,000 people are expected to participate. According to Cox, the Northern California 3-Day walk alone raised over \$7 million dollars last year. These funds were spent on breast cancer

research, and also to provide mammograms, biopsies and treatment for under-served women.

Anyone who can't attend may still make a donation. For information contact Cox, 795-5519, or DeVries, 795-0221. Raffle tickets are available in advance at Kimes Ace Hardware.

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REVIEW

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Jay Shepherd told Najera and others at the Aug. 19 district board meeting that copying the high school graduation is not a good fit for the middle school and that the review is an opportunity to “create something uniquely ours.”

The committee of middle school staff, students, parents and Najera will be formed by the end of September and is expected to have recommendations to district superintendent Dale Mitchell by mid October. In addition to the type of ceremony, the committee will consider location, whether students should wear caps and gowns, whether it should be a morning or evening event, and whether provisionally promoted students should be included.

Promotion/retentions policies to be reviewed

Winters schools are undertaking a review of promotion policies this year to make sure they are consistent and fully understood by students and parents.

The district wants to avoid any confusion in interpreting and communicating results of its various methods for measuring student achievement. Such a problem arose last June when a middle school student with a 3.5 grade point average was not promoted because she did not pass all of the benchmark criteria within specific subjects, as required by new, tougher district performance standards.

Mitchell recommended that the district continue its philosophical practice of making promotion/retention decisions based upon the unique circumstances and the best interest of the individual student. He said that socially promoting versus retaining a student is a challenging and complex issue, and requested feedback from board members whether they agreed that the district should have high expectations for students but that actual promotion decisions should consider individual situations. Such considerations include emotional maturity, input from school administrators and teachers, and dialogue with parents, as well as academic performance.

Trustee Jay Shepherd said that he fully supported the individual approach, but that he didn't want it to become a code word for not retaining students. Board chair Mary Jo Rodolfa said she was concerned about students who "check out" or for one reason or another become disengaged.

Mitchell said that that the district will be reviewing promotion criteria and the effectiveness of its intervention strategies for students who risk not being promoted and will be summarizing progress made by students who are retained or provisionally promoted. The information will be presented at a future board meeting.

In a report on the district's summer school program, Jonathan Brunson, summer school principal, noted that the program focused on interventions and remediation in math

and language arts and that it served 701 students.

Pizza contract approved

Trustees unanimously approved a \$25,078 bid from Round Table Pizza to provide lunch pizza to district schools during the 2004-05 school year. Food service director Christine Dutton said Round Table submitted the only bid by the Aug. 6 bid deadline.

Other actions

Trustees recognized Al-

bert Ramos of the Winters Police Department for his service as youth officer and recognized district psychologist Richard Hunter for his outstanding leadership and service.

Trustees also approved hiring of teachers Emily Bohan, Eric Dutton, Ambie Gardner, David Wallis, John Winspear and Jairo Romero. They increased the appointment percentage for Bohan, reduced the percentage for Jo Good,

and granted a leave of absence to Seana Holland.

Yuliana Garcia and Maria Gonzalez were hired as student supervision aides. Isaias Loza was hired as a custodian and Yvonne Scoggins as a bus driver. Victor Pantoja was hired as a workability student. Assistant groundskeeper Romulo Garcia was granted a paid military leave. Trustees also accepted the resignation of part time librarian Jo Isben Quackenbush.

Variable service agreements were approved for Lindsay Harris, food services salad bar coordinator; Wendy Jordan, preschool student health care, Bonnie Passantino, Wolfskill Garden Project, and Linda Wingard, high school job developer.

Next meeting

The next public school board meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 2, at Winters Middle School.

Democratic Club to meet

The Davis Democratic Club invites all area Democrats to its annual Ice Cream Social on Thursday, Aug. 26, 7-8:30 p.m. at 556 Reed Avenue in Davis.

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Sports

Volleyball players back on court

By ERIC AND LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Winters High School volleyball team is not only back on the court, due to large numbers they have expanded their program with a freshmen team.

New head coach Kukui Hughes is currently doing triple coverage as she takes on all three teams until more coaches are hired.

“We currently have 14 varsity players, eight JV players and 13 freshmen,” Hughes said. “I think we can be competitive at all levels. I told my players that we aren’t looking for one or two superstars — we want a solid team that works well together.

“We have that on the varsity team with the Corrine Schlages being one of the leaders. The Stocking sisters Courtney and Jaclyn

will play a big roll, along with Sabrina DeVries, Brandi Carrion and Gabriela Hernandez.”

On the JV team the Warriors will be relying on Arlett Chavez, Leslie Contreras, and Diana Ramirez.

“The JV team has a great team attitude,” said Hughes. “Their enthusiasm is high and they are always encouraging one another.”

The freshmen team is much the same as the JV team with team spirit and high energy. Hughes is impressed with all 13 players on the team and pointed out Chelsea Anstead, Serena Boyko and Ashley DeVries as having an impressive start.

“This team has bubbling enthusiasm and their energy is limitless,” Hughes said.

The Warriors start their season on Tuesday, Aug. 31, at River City High School. The JV game starts at 5 p.m.



Photo by Eric Lucero
J.V. volleyball players Arlett Chavez (left) and Leila Muller are among those on the court getting ready for the 2004 season.

Cooley, Thomas compete at camp

By ERIC AND LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

Natalie Cooley and Sierra Thomas traveled to Portland, Oregon to compete in the NBC 10-day intensity basketball camp. The self-proclaimed “toughest camp in the country” was all it claimed to be.

With 60 boys and 40 girls, the camp was nothing but basketball 12 hours a day. On the last day of the camp, the players started at 5 a.m. and ended at 2 a.m. “They didn’t know if they were going to make it through or not,” said coach Matt Cooley. “They definitely learned a lot. Not just about basketball but about life in general. It was a great camp for them and a great experience.”

Other Winters High School girls basketball players were not going to wait until October to touch a basketball either. Instead members of the WHS team and a few players from Dixon

competed in spring and summer leagues to stay in shape for the upcoming season.

Cooley, Jaclyn and Courtney Stocking, Thomas, Lauren Yehle, and three Dixon players traveled to Sacramento last spring to compete in the Sacramento Sports Association spring league. The local players not only competed in the league, they took first place.

“They did really well,” said coach Matt Cooley. “There was some good competition too.”

Winters also sent some players to compete in the summer league at Solano College. Recent Winters graduates Melanie Stocking, Beth Curry, Monica Creamer, Erika Ochoa and even Keri Anglin got back on the court for the first time since her car accident last winter to help fill the roster.

“The team had a lot of fun,” Cooley said. “They enjoyed playing just to have fun and compete with no pressure.”

Booster dinner benefits all athletes

The Winters High School All Sports Booster Club is planning their annual kickoff dinner for Wednesday, Sept. 8, from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Winters Community Center. Tickets are \$12 for ages 13 and up. Tickets for children under the age of 12 are \$6.

Come out and show support for WHS athletes and enjoy a delicious tri-tip dinner. For tickets call Melody Benson, 795-4932, Barbara Thorne, 795-3817, or Chery Thomson, 795-1769. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Ready, set, go for it



Photo by Eric Lucero
Junior varsity football players (from left) Kaplan Smith, Jordan Carrasco, Brock Neil and Eric Coffman are gearing up for the annual jamboree, to be held at Sutter High School, Saturday, Aug. 28. The Warrior’s first opponent is Paradise, scrimmage time, 10 a.m.

DADS group meets in Woodland

Dads with children under the age of six are being invited to participate with their child in a new Dads And Daughters/Sons (DADS) group funded by the Yolo County Children and Family Commission (Proposition 10).

Provided free of charge through the Family Resource Center at 409 Lincoln Avenue

in Woodland, the group will provide a weekly activity group for dads and children, and an option for child development advice on several parenting topics. Individualized in-home parenting assistance is available upon request.

To register, call the DADS program at 662-2211, extension 20.

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— Robert H. Schuller

2004 Winters High Football

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	LOCATION	LEVELS	TIME(S)	BUS TIME
9-Aug	Monday	First Practice	Winters	F/JV/V		
28-Aug	Saturday	Sutter Jamboree	Sutter	Sutter	F/JV/V	10:00am 7:30
3-Sep	Friday	Lassen	Winters	F/JV/V	4/6/8	
9-Sep	Thursday	Dixon	Dixon	Frosh	6:00	4:15
10-Sep	Friday	Dixon	Dixon	JV/V	5:30/7:30	3:45
16-Sep	Thursday	Antioch	Antioch	Frosh	5:00	2:30
17-Sep	Friday	Antioch	Winters	JV/V	5:30/7:30	
23-Sep	Thursday	Willows	Winters	Frosh	6:00	
24-Sep	Friday	Willows (Homecoming)	Winters	JV/V	5:30/7:30	
1-Oct	Friday	Colusa	Colusa	JV/V	5:30/7:30	3:00
8-Oct	Friday	* Wheatland	Wheatland	JV/V	5:30/7:30	2:45/4:40
15-Oct	Friday	* Oroville	Oroville	F/JV/V	3:30/5:30/7:30	12:30/2:30
22-Oct	Friday	* Sutter	Winters	F/JV/V	4:00/6:00/8:00	
29-Oct	Friday	* Orland	Orland	F/JV/V	4:00/6:00/8:00	1:00/3:00
5-Nov	Friday	* Gridley	Winters	F/JV/V	4:00/6:00/8:00	
12-Nov	Friday	1st Round Playoffs		TBA	V	TBA
19-Nov	Friday	2nd Round Playoffs		TBA	V	TBA
24-Nov	Wed.	Section Championship	TBA	V	TBA	

* = Butte View League contest
Varsity Coaches: Chris Novello, Arn Williams, Eddie Marquez, Jim Stark, Jeff Olson

J. V. Coaches: Eric Lucero, Mark Abraham
Frosh Coaches:

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Diana Ramirez

Diana Ramirez, a sophomore on the Winters High School JV volleyball team, has impressed coach Kukui Hughes in the first two weeks of practice with hard work and a great attitude.

“Diana works hard, has a super attitude, and always has a smile to share,” said Hughes.

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APPEAL

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would be included in the conditions of approval and in the development agreement.

Tecera Philbrook spoke of how much Winters has grown in the last 20 years, and said she would not want to see the city change its plans to fit a specific project. She encouraged the council to “look at the impact on every living creature in town,” and “make sure we do this in a responsible way.”

Teacher Veronica Dunn said the students at Shirley Rominger Intermediate School use the holding pond across the street from the school as an educational tool. She said after development of the property, the nature and science club would no longer have space to learn about nature. She asked the council to consider the students.

Callahan attorney Joel Ellinwood took an opportunity to rebut the comments made during the hearing.

He pointed out that the land Dunn spoke of is on the Winters Highlands site, not the Callahan site. He said the issue before the council was the EIR versus a negative declaration. He said everyone agrees that there may be species on the site. The question, he said, is has the potential impact been mitigated.

He noted that the CEQA determination is just a small step in the process, with the tentative map and development agreement yet to be approved. He told the council the negative declaration would not be certified until the whole project was approved by both the planning commission and the council.

He asked the council to make its decision on the basis of fact, “not speculation, not opinion, not unanswered questions, not alternative plans.”

With regard to Fridae’s questions about traffic impact. Ellinwood pointed out that the project would extend and improve Main Street to Niemann Street, providing an alternate traffic route across town.

Fridae asked about the impact to the wetlands. He said the vernal pool that used to exist was destroyed, “that’s why we’re trying to be careful.”

Ellinwood responded that the wetlands Fridae referred to were on the Carter Ranch subdivision.

“It’s an error for the council to require mitigation for something that the Carter Ranch project did,” he said.

Fridae argued that the wetland on the Callahan site used to be part of that vernal pool that was filled in. Ellinwood restated that the developer was not responsible, saying now it is a seasonal wetland.

Anderson asked if the city could decide which mitigation measure they wanted at the Grant Avenue and Walnut Lane intersection. Ponticello said they could decide when they see the project as a

whole.

Stone wanted the vernal pool versus seasonal wetland issue settled. Estep said it is more of a seasonal wetland. He noted that the possible presence of fairy shrimp does not determine if it is a wetland or vernal pool. Estep and the developer had agreed to allow the Department of Fish and Game to determine what should happen on the site.

Stone also wanted to know about the capacity of the Wastewater Treatment Facility. Ponticello said about a year ago the city had enough capacity for about 600 new units. Some projects the city thought would materialize did not.

“We’re doing very well,” said Ponticello.

He said the city would continue to assess the capacity to make sure it continues to be adequate. He said if Winters Highlands goes in it would fund expansion. Once expansion is complete and all the developments currently before the city are complete, there would still be enough capacity for 600-800 additional units.

In reference to street expansion, Anderson wanted to know what conditions would be implemented for bicycle and pedestrians. Ponticello said the city would require two full size lanes with a left shoulder, and a pedestrian and bicycle pathway on the east side of Main Street.

After some clarification on the process, Fridae asked what would be different if the city asked for an EIR. He asked to reopen the public hearing so that Kevin Jackson could respond. Despite Ellinwood’s assertion that the question had been repeatedly addressed, Martinez reopened the hearing.

Jackson said the negative declaration is getting better, however, he said an EIR would be one document in which the cumulative impacts would be addressed. He said an initial study is not a complete document. He objected to what he called no give and take in the public process, however, he was willing to move forward with a collaborative approach.

Developer representative Jim Hildenbrandt agreed that the information did get out wrong and said they were working to correct that. He noted that it is the process and said “it’s no fault of the staff.”

Ellinwood said the project is infill and is consistent with the General Plan.

“There is no plan that’s being changed to fit the project,” said Ellinwood.

There was extensive discussion about how the collaborative process should work and whether city staff would be required to attend the facilitated meetings. Martinez and Stone were both against that idea. As the discussion wore on past 11:30 p.m., council member Robert Chapman intervened.

“I think we’re beating a dead horse and I’m pre-

pared to make a motion.”

Chapman moved to uphold the appeal and override the planning commission’s requirement for an EIR.

After more discussion on the exact wording of the motion and attached conditions, the motion passed with five ayes.

Other items

In other agenda items, the council took the following action:

~ Approved the Dry Creek Meadows (Carter Ranch) subdivision reimbursement agreement.

~ Discussed the city council subcommittee system.

~ Heard a report from Donlevy on the services

and facilities review workshop.

~ Adjourned to the community development agency and authorized the expenditure of \$165,000 for predesign, final design, environmental studies scour mitigation and project management associated with the railroad trestle bridge improvements.

~ Approved a grant to the Winters Parent Nursery School for new flooring.

~ Approved funding for the downtown street light improvement program.

~ Approved participation in the Yolo County Destination Marketing Organization.

MOTIVES

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Impact Report? What could come in that report that could be so damaging? Why do they fear it so? Why do they not want the cumulative effect of these developments to be investigated or considered? Could it be that the domino effect of these developments would be so distasteful to this community as to halt these first two proposed projects?

If you still don’t believe that it can happen here, take a drive to Lincoln. It was not too long ago that Lincoln was about the size that Winters is now. A few years and several huge developments later, Lincoln is part of an extended,

congested suburban belt closely connected to Sacramento by way of Roseville and Rocklin. Richland Communities has extensive holdings in those places as well.

The buzz about Winters is all over the valley for developers. Two have put their “toes in the water” to see if the climate is right. Others are waiting in the wings with their own designs on the town. The time is now to either give our city council and planning commission direction, or to cede our collective fate to developers and land speculators, and to wake up one morning in the midst of the valley’s newest bland, congested, stucco and asphalt suburb.

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Schools

Barnett is new school resource officer

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

It's a changing of the guard over at the Winters Police Department, as Officer Albert Ramos finishes his three-year rotation as the school resource officer (SRO) for Winters schools, and Officer Todd Barnett steps into the position for the next three years.

The SRO serves as a liaison between the schools and the police department, handling crimes committed on campus, as well as crimes committed on or by juveniles. A goal of the SRO is to establish a rapport with both students and the administration, and sometimes even families.

"I want to make the police department and the schools a cohesive unit," says Barnett.

Barnett, who attended Winters schools from kindergarten through graduation, says he's excited to be taking over a position on familiar territory.

"I'm getting a second chance to relive my school days, but at a different level," says Barnett.

He hopes to serve as a role model for Winters students, particularly Wolf-skill students, because he attended Wolfskill High School for half his junior year and half his senior year, and hopes to convey to them that going to school there shouldn't feel like failure.

"Just because you go there doesn't mean your life is over and you won't amount to anything," says Barnett, adding that he knows many people who also attended Wolfskill over the years and went on to have successful, fulfilling careers.

Barnett has many positive things to say about Winters schools, and credits the administrators and staff for doing a good job.

"They seem to be genuinely concerned for the kids and their safety, and the education the kids receive."

He adds, with a chuckle, "I'm a product of the school system, so it can't be all that bad, can it?"

However, he admits, Winters schools aren't without their problems. The police department took note of a recent Winters Express story regarding students' feelings and perceptions of feeling more unsafe on campus, and says officers are keeping an eye on any perpetrators. Although it's not rampant, Barnett says a handful of youths in town fancy themselves as gang members, and the police department will not allow that sort of activity to proliferate. He says the police department will "send a clear message that we won't tolerate gang activity."

"We'll put a lid on it," says Barnett.

Although gang activity has bubbled up from time to time in Winters, and gang-related graffiti is sometimes sprayed on buildings, Barnett views this as more along the



TODD BARNETT

lines of "wannabes" than true gang members. He says a small town can inadvertently encourage that sort of behavior, because sometimes parents will relocate into a small town with a troubled youth in hopes that a changed atmosphere will result in a changed child.

What sometimes happens, unfortunately, is the child discovers that in a small, relatively quiet town, he or she can attract a lot of attention for being a big city kid with a big city attitude.

"It's the big fish in a little pond syndrome," says Barnett. "They want to show how bad they are. Parents want to take Little Billy away from all the problems, and they don't realize Little Billy is the problem."

He says whether wannabe or the real deal, any youth who choose to engage in gang activity will be taken seriously by the police department.

"If they talk and act like gang members, they're going to get treated like gang members by the police," says Barnett.

Although pinching off budding gang activity will be a concern, Barnett says that really isn't the bulk of his duties as SRO. Building rapport is the key to preventing problems, and Barnett plans to pay particular attention to intermediate and middle school students because they're still at a malleable stage of development. Given encouragement and positive reinforcement for good behavior, they may decide there's no reason to go against the grain of society in the future.

"I'm going to spend time at the middle school, and build relationships with the kids so when they get into high school, the relationships are already strong," says Barnett. "I believe in being proactive instead of reactive."

The challenge, he admits, will be being everywhere at once. With six campuses in the Winters School District and only one SRO, Barnett will have his work cut out for him.

"I can only be proactive in one place at a time," says Barnett.

Anyone who wishes to discuss youth related concerns with Barnett can reach him at the Winters Police Department, 795-2261.

Artistic expression



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Janine Ramos, Winters High School junior, received a ribbon for her mixed media artwork at an awards ceremony held at the Cal Expo fairgrounds in Sacramento on Aug. 19. The piece was named Best of Division, the only Winters entry to receive this award this year at the California State Fair. Ramos also won three first place and one second place awards for her artwork. In all, Winters High School students reaped 67 awards at the 2004 State Fair.

Preschool story time offered at library Tuesday mornings

The Winters Library will offer a series of preschool story times on Tuesday mornings in September from 10:30-11 a.m., beginning on the day after Labor Day, Sept. 7.

Story time sessions are designed for children 3-5 years of age. Younger children are welcome, but only if accompanied by an adult. Please come on time so story time can begin

promptly. Groups larger than five should contact the library before story time.

Children and adults are also eligible to enter the special monthly drawing for a book, sponsored by the Winters Friends of the Library!

For more information, contact the Winters Branch of the Yolo County Library, 201 First Street, 795-4955.

Waggoner School Site Council has vacancy

The Waggoner Elementary School Site Council currently has one vacancy. Anyone interested in running for site council at Waggoner is encouraged to turn in a written request to the Waggoner office to be placed on the ballot by Friday, Aug. 27.

~ Aug. 27: deadline to be placed on the ballot.

~ Sept. 10: deadline to submit "candidate's statement" of 250 words or less translated into Spanish by the

candidate or the site translator.

~ Sept. 13: ballots mailed home

~ Sept. 20: deadline to return ballots to the classroom teacher.

~ Sept. 22: ballots to be counted by the nominating committee

~ Sept. 22: all candidates notified of the results by a representative of the site council.

~ Sept. 30: first regular meeting where newly elected members are seated.

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Winters FFA student Cody Campos had the Grand Champion market lamb at this year's Yolo County Fair. He also won first place in Novice Sheep Showmanship and was the winner of the Novice Round Robin competition.



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FFA student Ashley Kraitnz won a third place award in Crossbred Market Hog with her pig, Trixie, at this year's Yolo County Fair.

Middle school needs guitars

Winters Middle School is expanding the music program to include new classes, including a beginning guitar class. Consider donating an old classical or acoustic guitar to the school. Don't worry about the condition of the instrument, staff can spruce it up and put new strings on it.

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Heart attacks can occur without pain

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My brother, who was only 43, died from a heart attack. I was with him when it occurred. He never said a word about pain, only that he was tired and wanted to lie down. He did, and he died while he was asleep. How could I have recognized that he was in trouble? I need to know all the symptoms of a heart attack. — J.O.

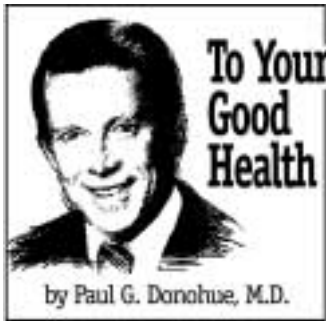
ANSWER: Most heart attacks cause chest pain. People describe it as a heavy sensation, a pressure or a viselike grip around their chests. The location of the pain is usually behind the breastbone or on the left side of the chest. A few individuals feel pain only in their necks or jaws or arms, with the left arm more frequently the site of pain than the right. Or, a person can have chest pain that radiates to those locations.

Frequently people complain of being sick to their stomachs, and they often throw up.

Your brother was in a minority. About 20 percent have no pain when having a heart attack. Recognizing that they are having an attack is difficult for bystanders and for the people themselves.

They might complain of suddenly feeling short of breath, light-headed or weak. Such symptoms are quite subtle, and the ordinary layperson would not be expected to identify them as indicative of a heart attack. In some instances, people say they have an upset stomach and take an antacid for it. It takes a trained medical person to recognize that such signs and complaints could indicate a heart attack.

You cannot blame yourself for not recognizing what was happening to your brother. Quite often, heart attacks are preceded by a period of exertional chest pains. In the weeks or months prior to having an attack, people often get chest pain — angina — when they are rushing around or doing



physical labor. Those pains serve as a warning that a heart attack could be in the offing. Your brother had no such warnings.

Heart attack is a vast subject that ought to be familiar to all. The heart attack pamphlet furnishes valuable information on recognizing attacks, treating them and preventing them. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 102W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.50 U.S./\$6.50 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am 56 and have been doing step aerobics since I was 40. I use an 8-inch step a couple of times a week. People tell me I will injure my knees if I continue to do this. Am I too old for this sort of exercise?

ANSWER: Fifty-six too old? You're just a kid. I have asked many respected orthopedic surgeons and rheumatologists if exercise hurts the knees or hips. All say that if there is no joint pain, exercise does not cause and will not cause joint problems. Go for it. — R.M.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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Europeans wonder how we can support Bush

Not a good time to be in Europe this summer. The dollar is desperately weak on currency exchanges — worth less than the Euro and half the pound sterling. A cup of coffee gives you twice the wake up — the caffeine and the check.

Then there's the fact that you are American. Criticism comes from two quarters: for the government that represents Americans and the idea that Bush even has a chance to be reelected this year. Bush is loathed in Europe for going into Iraq, for pulling out of Kyoto, for isolationism, anti-intellectualism and religiosity. Politicians are not supposed to wear their religion on their lapel in Europe. Above all Europeans hate the swagger. Even in the UK, people on the street shrug. Blair's government may stand shoulder to shoulder with Washington but your average Englishman does not.

That is when the eagle eye is turned on you. Europeans realize that 2000 was a very tight race and that the Supreme Court selected Bush. You are offered some sort of excuse. Big of them. But most of all they cannot understand, after all that's happened in the last four years, how any level headed person could possibly vote in Bush, Rumsfeld, Ashcroft, Rice and (most laughable to them) Cheney. When you explain that the US is equally divided, a nation split right down the middle, Republican and Democrat, they can not be-



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lieve it. Why should anyone want to go on with this fiasco they ask, and then of course, the question arises "are you a Republican?". It is best to say that you come from Toronto whatever your politics.

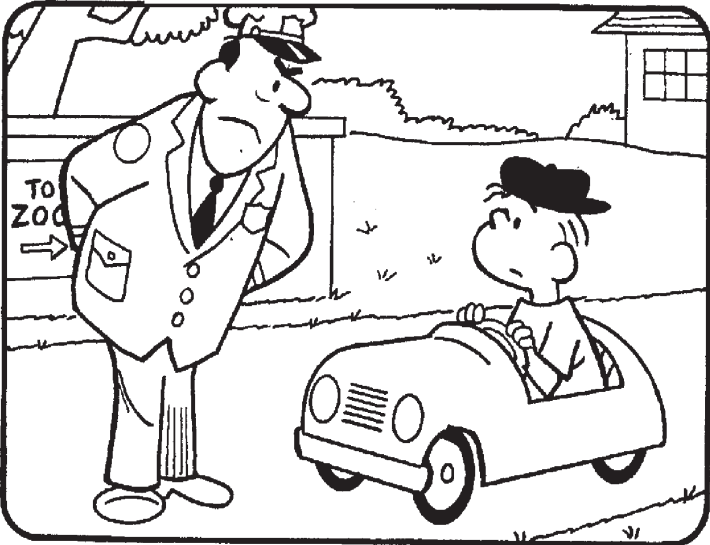
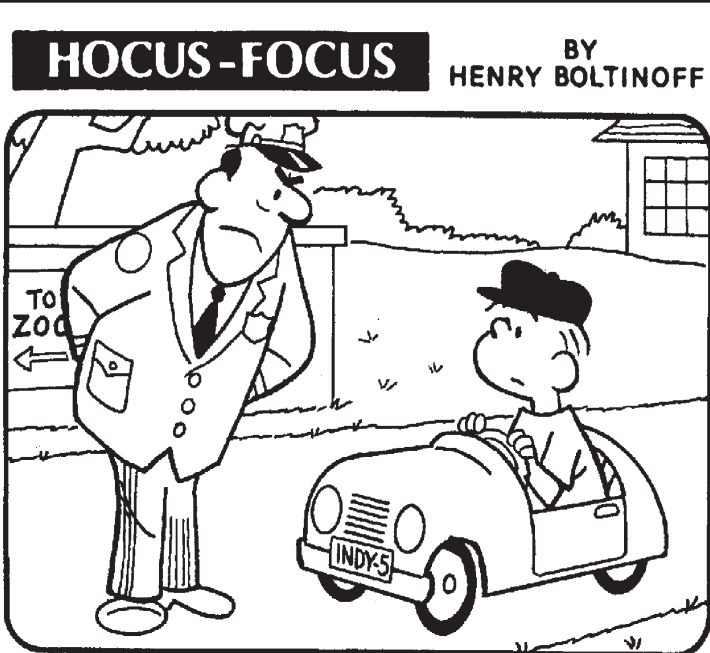
Unfortunately this is just the time that Americans should be in Europe. Learning how others view you and world affairs is highly educational. Europeans love to discuss politics, throw ideas around. Through the process of talking they believe that diplomacy and compromises can be crafted, solutions found on some middle ground. World War II made them realize that you can achieve much, much more by talking to people, not bombing them. So many Europeans, particularly Russians, died. Two generations of young people know war is not an answer. Thus a large part of the western world sees the Bush team as being out of touch, marginalized. Shouldn't we at least consider this? After all we have an awful lot in common with Europe: language, ancestry and trade.

Another issue that stands out is terrorism. Europeans are not nearly as alarmed by it as we are even after Madrid. Maybe it is because they have

lived with it for so long with the ETA and the IRA. London knows that it is a target but no one checks the trains or the tube. Russia has had its share of terrorist attacks in Moscow but again no heightened security. After awhile one begins to think that there is more to it than a little manipulation going on. Who would be surprised if we are on red or orange alert on November 4?

Instead there is much talk in Europe about trying to bring disaffected Muslim men into society and giving them greater opportunity for employment and careers so that they do not get attracted to the few mullahs who preach hatred. Across the Atlantic from America there is certainly a cultural difference in targeting causes of terrorism rather than symptoms.

Another reason to travel is to reassure our friends overseas that Americans are not all neo-cons. All relationships need work and after Iraq this one needs serious counseling. We need to remind Europeans that yes indeed, in 2004, we will do the right thing.



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"All the problems of the world could be settled easily if men were only willing to think. The trouble is that men very often resort to all sorts of devices in order not to think, because thinking is such hard work."
~ Thomas J. Watson

Pleased to meet you



Name: April Engels

Occupation: Waitress at the Black Oak restaurant in Vacaville.

Hobby: Spending time with her family.

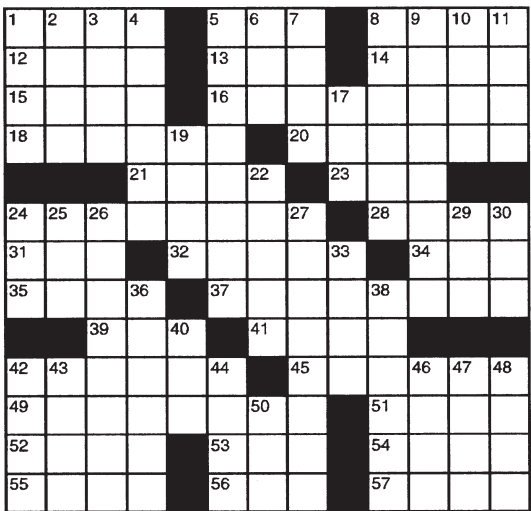
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- 12 Yield by treaty
- 13 - pinch
- 14 Neet rival
- 15 Speedy steed
- 16 Cheaply
- 18 Big ruckus
- 20 Thin pancakes
- 21 Cilium
- 23 Nipper's employer
- 24 Figure of speech
- 28 Sousaphone cousin
- 31 Parisian pal
- 32 Strength
- 34 Legislation
- 35 Courage
- 37 Captain



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- 11 Work units
- 17 Timetable abbr.
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- 22 Footballer/actor
- 24 Periodical, briefly
- 25 Down Under bird
- 26 Chickadee's cousin
- 27 Made
- 29 Prohibit
- 30 Idolater's emotion
- 33 Carry on
- 36 Brownish orange
- 38 Search (out)
- 40 USNA grad
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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Despite your Aries penchant for wanting to tackle a problem head-on, you might want to take a little more time to see how a current situation develops. It could surprise you.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Taking on the role of peacemaker in a disruptive environment is a challenge. But you can do it. Just continue to have the same faith in yourself that so many others have in you.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Although your work schedule keeps you busy, you should make time to start preparing for that important upcoming family event you'll want to celebrate in a special way.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Home is where the Moon Child wants to be early in the week. But by week's end, a chance to travel raises her or his excitement level, and that of the lucky person who gets to go along.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) Be careful not to be a copycat when dealing with someone who uses unfair or even unkind methods to reach a goal. As always, do the right thing the right way, and you'll win in the end.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) An offer could have many good things attached to it that are not apparent at first glance, including a chance to move into another career area. You might want to check out its possibilities.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) With responsibilities surging both in the workplace and in the home, it's important to prioritize how you deal with them. Be patient. Pressures will begin to ease starting early next week.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) A positive reaction to a suggestion could indicate that you're on track for getting your message to the right people. Devote the week-end to catching up with the special people in your life.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) A new attitude from those in charge could make things difficult for you unless you can accept the changes without feeling as if you're being pressured into doing so.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Family matters once again dominate much of the week. But don't neglect your workplace duties while you deal with them. An offer to help could come from a surprising source.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) A difficult workplace situation begins to ease, but there are still matters that need to be dealt with before it's fully resolved. There's also a more positive turn in domestic relationships.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) Don't let yourself be rushed into making a decision about an intriguing financial arrangement. Asking questions and checking it out now could pay off in a big way later on.

BORN THIS WEEK: You might have a tendency to be more than a bit judgmental, but others understand it comes from a warm, loving heart.

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Nuestras Noticias



JUAN FERNANDEZ

EVENTOS Y COMENTARIOS HISPANOS

No todos los votos cuentan

Faltan menos de tres meses para que Estados Unidos escoja al próximo inquilino de la Casa Blanca y mientras George Bush y John Kerry intensifican sus campañas en el país, la polémica por la manera en que el presidente norteamericano es escogido, nuevamente está sobre la mesa.

Según algunos críticos, aunque Estados Unidos siempre se ha mostrado ante el mundo como el abanderado de los principios democráticos, el sistema electoral norteamericano, algunas veces ha hecho que, aunque un candidato obtenga mayor número de votos en las urnas, sea otro el que gane los comicios.

Por ser Estados Unidos un país con un sistema de gobierno federalista, cuando se realizan elecciones presidenciales los candidatos luchan por obtener la mayoría de votos en cada uno de los 50 estados. Quien gana en cada estado consigue un número específico de votos electorales y la suma de ellos es la que determina quién será el nuevo mandatario de la Unión Americana y no los votos populares.

Así por ejemplo si Kerry conquista el 60 por ciento de los votos en Nueva York y Bush el 40 por ciento, Kerry gana los 33 votos electorales que están en juego, que son los que realmente van a contar a la hora de escoger al mandatario nacional y los votos populares que obtuvo Bush en este lugar, no serán tomados en cuenta.

Los votos electorales están representados en delegados, quienes semanas después de los escrutinios se reúnen en lo que se conoce como el Colegio Electoral, donde es anunciado oficialmente el nombre del presidente. Este organismo está conformado por 538 miembros y la ley electoral dice que para que alguien sea nombrado presidente de los Estados Unidos debe conseguir al menos 270 de estos votos representativos.

En las elecciones pasadas por ejemplo, a pesar de que el candidato demócrata Al Gore obtuvo 500.000 votos populares más que George Bush, del partido republicano, fue este último quien ganó las elecciones, porque logró reunir más votos electorales.

La Florida prácticamente le dio el triunfo al ex gobernador de Texas, pues de esos 27 votos electorales que estaban en juego en ese estado dependían tanto él como su adversario para lograr la mayoría en el Colegio Electoral. Aunque analistas y miembros del partido Demócrata denunciaron fraude por parte de los republicanos, finalmente la Corte determinó que el hermano del gobernador de ese estado había sido el triunfador allí.

La manera como está conformado el sistema electoral norteamericano hace que el valor del voto popular sea distorsionado y que incluso los candidatos centren sus campañas en aquellos estados conocidos como los "swing states", que no son de mayoría ni demócrata ni republicana.

En esos estados pueden conquistar simpatizantes que marquen la diferencia. En un estado como Nueva York, que es de preponderancia demócrata Bush no se aparece a hacer campaña, porque sabe que sería perder su tiempo. Igual ocurre en Utah, que es ampliamente republicano y Kerry ni siquiera se asoma por allá.

A pesar de que durante los últimos años han sido múltiples los intentos de diferentes figuras políticas para crear un sistema electoral en el que sean directamente los votos del pueblo los que escojan al presidente, no han hecho suficiente eco y el sistema electoral se ha mantenido. Para que un proyecto de ley cambie la manera como se elige el presidente se necesitarían las dos terceras partes de la Cámara y el Senado y contar con el aval de 38 estados.

Los expertos en el tema político dudan que un cambio semejante se de pronto en los Estados Unidos, teniendo en cuenta que en 215 años que tiene la constitución norteamericana solamente se han hecho 17 enmiendas generales y muy pocas en el aspecto electoral.

Sería mejor cambiar ese sistema, pero no va a pasar porque por ejemplo los pequeños estados quedarían fuera de representación, pues si se desarticula la idea del Colegio Electoral perderían fuerza.

En menos de tres meses los norteamericanos deberán salir a las urnas a escoger al nuevo presidente de los Estados Unidos y aunque los sondeos de opinión han ido cambiando entre uno y otro candidato, son aquellos estados que aún no se definen a nivel político quienes decidirán la suerte del país.

El hecho de que el margen de favoritismo entre George Bush y John Kerry esté tan cerrado, hace suponer a los analistas que pudiera repetirse la historia de las elecciones pasadas, que sea finalmente un estado el que ponga al nuevo presidente, y que los votos populares no cuenten tanto.

Vuelve el plan de licencias

Una y otra vez hasta lograr su objetivo: esa parece ser la consigna del senador estatal Gil Cedillo quien esta semana introducirá nuevamente en la Legislatura su plan para otorgar licencias a los conductores indocumentados, aunque la iniciativa aún no cuenta con el visto bueno del gobernador Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Schwarzenegger expresó la semana pasada que aceptará la propuesta de Cedillo para otorgar licencias a los trabajadores indocumentados únicamente si éstos tienen un color característico. Así las cosas, de aprobarse el proyecto, en pocos días el jefe del Ejecutivo tendrá sobre sí la presión del grupo latino de congresistas para que lo apruebe.

Vamos a poner la moción en su despacho de cualquier manera, explicó Edward Headington, encargado de comunicaciones del senador demócrata Gil Cedillo, autor del anteproyecto SB1160 para dar licencias de conducir a los inmigrantes sin papeles del estado.

De acuerdo con Jaime Regalado, director ejecutivo del Instituto Edmund G. Pat Brown de investigaciones públicas, un centro afiliado a CalState, el gobernador había pensado hasta ahora que el tema de las licencias iba a ser un asunto fácil y sin consecuencias. Su administración sabe que este asunto no va a desaparecer por sí solo como él pensaba, y ahora el caucus, y otros miembros del Partido Demócrata, pero especialmente el caucus latino están más unidos en torno a ese proyecto de lo que él imaginaba.

July Soderlund, portavoz del gobernador, expresó que dado que el documento que propone Cedillo pudiera ser utilizado por terroristas para alquilar un auto o abordar un avión comercial, él sólo aceptará un documento que sirva únicamente para conducir.

Pero según Cedillo y el presidente de la Asamblea estatal, Fabián Núñez, una licencia con tales características serviría para estigmatizar a quien la porte.

Ni un dependiente de supermercado o un dueño de

edificio de apartamentos tienen por qué saber el estatus migratorio de uno indicó Headington. Según él, además de marcar a una comunidad que ha sido históricamente explotada, el mecanismo que propone el gobernador no contribuiría en nada a mejorar la seguridad de los residentes del estado o de la nación.

Francisco Estrada, el director de políticas públicas del Fondo Mexicanoamericano para la Defensa Legal y la Educación (MALDEF) en Sacramento, expresó que su organización se opone terminantemente a la idea de crear un tipo especial de licencia de conducir.

Creemos que sería como una invitación abierta a cometer abusos, explotar y discriminar, y eso desalentaría a la gente a tratar de obtener una licencia, lo que en tal caso la convertiría en una medida contraproducente. Según MALDEF, los residentes del estado estarían más seguros si todo el mundo tuviera la oportunidad de conducir con una licencia y obtener un seguro. Así eran las cosas antes y así funcionó por

décadas, casi medio siglo, sin problemas, hasta que la ley cambió hace como 10 años.

Según la propuesta de Cedillo, para obtener una licencia de conducir los trabajadores indocumentados tendrían que presentar 10 huellas digitales, someterse a chequeos de identidad tanto de las autoridades estatales como federales para verificar que no representan un peligro y permitir que nombres sean cotejados con listas de personas bajo vigilancia de la Oficina Federal de Investigaciones (FBI), requisitos que no tienen que cumplir los residentes y ciudadanos con residencia legal.

Esta es la tercera revisión en dos años del plan de Cedillo, y con cada una el legislador ha incorporado mejoras para aplacar a los críticos de volver a dar licencias a los extranjeros irregulares del estado. Según cálculos de su oficina en Sacramento, alrededor de dos millones de trabajadores indocumentados se beneficiarían con su propuesta.

TELEVISION: El contenido es lo importante

El debate sobre el uso de una tecnología electrónica que mejora mediciones de televisión existe porque grupos con intereses comerciales han financiado una campaña en contra de esta nueva tecnología, people meters, usando el descontento de la comunidad minoritaria, por la ausencia de programación que incluya la presencia de las comunidades hispana y afroamericana en la televisión. El tema, sin embargo debería ser el contenido de la programación en la televisión y el empleo de los actores, escritores y productores de estas comunidades.

Ahora Nielsen, la agencia que mide la audiencia de la televisión, ha introducido en Boston, Nueva York y Los Angeles el sistema de people meters, y está planeando presentarlo en otras siete ciudades más para medir los programas locales de televisión. Pero ciertos líderes de la industria de televisión están intentando retrasar la presentación de estos dispositivos. Ellos se están beneficiando del resentimiento que sienten las minorías porque creen que la enumeración anterior no ha sido correcta recientemente en el censo de Estados Unidos y las elecciones presidenciales de 2000.

Ellos han colocado anuncios, llevado ruedas de prensa, y empleado firmas de relaciones públicas en un esfuerzo para convencer a las comunidades minoritarias que los people meters, discriminan de alguna manera u otra a estas comunidades.

Estos profesionales del medio tratan de engañar al público y a los publicistas que las mediciones de ciertos programas son artificialmente más altas de que en realidad son, en vez de crear programación de más calidad que se identifique más con los espectadores.

Los datos empíricos demuestran que algunos programas populares de televisión han demostrado un mayor resultado usando el sistema menos exacto y anticuado que cuando se hacen con la tecnología avanzada del people meter. En contraste, las compañías con enfoques minoritarios como BET, Telemundo, Telefutura y otros canales del cable han demostrado aumentos sustanciales en las audiencias con el advenimiento de los people meters.

La preocupación de la comunidad debe ser la amplificación del contenido latino y afroamericano en las cadenas de televisión, no la introducción de los

people meters. Es increíble, por ejemplo, que los programas en inglés que se planean para el próximo otoño no ofrecen ninguno que es latinoamericano o afroamericano y que hay pocos papeles principales para latinos y otros grupos étnicos.

Los ejecutivos de la televisión deberían de concentrar sus esfuerzos en crear nuevos programas dirigidos a comunidades minoritarias y no seguir apoyando la anticuada manera de medir el número de personas que resultan en mediciones altas. Al seguir esta política están faltando el respeto a las audiencias minoritarias.

Sus esfuerzos de ahorrar un dólar hoy pueden costarles mucho más en el futuro. A medida que su programación continúa sin tener en cuenta las nuevas comunidades con mayores ingresos disponibles, su terquedad al no ver la realidad llegará a ser insostenible y les costará ingresos. Con el tiempo estos publicistas tendrán que notar y tomar acción.

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Help Wanted

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Notice of public hearing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Winters will conduct a public hearing by the Winters City Council and the Community Development Agency (CDA) on Tuesday, September 7, 2004, at 7:30 p.m. at the City Hall City Council Chambers to consider approval of the sale of the City-owned property (Assessor's Parcel Number 003-224-01) located on the east side of Railroad Avenue between East Abbey and East Main Streets to the CDA. The City's property on Railroad Avenue has a General Plan land use designation of Central Business District and is zoned Central Business District (C-2). The parcel is 0.435 acres in size and is currently used as a municipal parking lot/park and ride lot. The City Council will consider providing approval for the sale of the parcel to the CDA while the CDA will consider providing approval to purchase the parcel. It is anticipated that the project proponents of the Main Street Square Project – a commercial project proposed for the 1.823-acre site (APNs 003-224-01 through 04) bounded by Railroad Avenue, East Main Street, Elliot Street, and East Abbey Street – will purchase the subject property (Assessor's Parcel Number 003-224-01) in order to include it in their project. The project involves the rehabilitation of three existing buildings and the construction of two or three new commercial buildings.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Winters, Community Development Agency, 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694, attn: Cas Ellena or you may telephone (530) 795-4910, extension 118. In addition, a public information file is available for review at the above address between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays.

The proposed sale of the City-owned property to the CDA has been reviewed in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has been determined to be categorically exempt from CEQA under Section 15332, In-Fill Development Projects (Class 32).

PURSUANT TO SECTION 65009 (B) (2), OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT CODE "IF YOU CHALLENGE ANY OF THE ABOVE PROJECTS IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING(S) DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE, OR IN WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERED TO THE CITY COUNCIL AT, PRIOR TO, THIS PUBLIC HEARING".

AUG. 26

Notice to Creditors

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Yolo County Board of Supervisors will be conducting a public hearing on Monday, September 13, 2004 beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers in the Erwin Meier Administration Center at 625 Court Street, Woodland, California to consider the proposed County of Yolo budget for fiscal year 2004-2005.

In addition to the September 13 hearing date, the Board has reserved September 14 and 15 for this public hearing. Accordingly, the public hearing will be conducted by the Board of Supervisors on a day-to-day basis until such time as all deliberations are complete and the Board has taken the appropriate action on the proposed budget.

A copy of the proposed budget will be available for public inspection in the office of the County Administrator no later than Friday, September 3, 2004. The County Administrator's Office is located at 625 Court Street, Room 202, Woodland, California. All interested parties are invited to attend the meeting.

Date: August 18, 2004
PATRICIA CRITTENDEN,
Clerk of the The Board of Supervisors
By: Ana Morales, Deputy

Aug. 26, Sept. 2

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
Aug. 3, 2004
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Eleigh Fagel, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2004-771

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: The Arte Junction, 7 East Main Street, Winters, CA 95694.

Full name of registrant(s), residence address, state and zip: Joyce M. Snyder, 27397 County Road 91-A, Winters, CA 95694.

This business classification is: An individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: Aug. 2, 2004.

s/Joyce M. Snyder
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
s/Eleigh Fagel, Deputy Clerk
Aug. 19, 26, Sept. 2, 9

Order to Show Cause for Change of Name

Order to show cause for change of Name
Filed Yolo County Superior Court
Aug. 2, 2004
Delores Maciolek, Deputy
Case Number PT04-1194
Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, 725 Court Street, Woodland, CA 95695
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner: Daniel C Banuelos filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Daniel Christopher Banuelos to Daniel Christopher Plechaty.
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

NOTICE OF HEARING

Date: 9/20/04 Time: 8:30 a.m., Dept: 11
The address of the court is 812 Court Street, Woodland, CA 95695
Date: Aug. 2, 2004
Thomas E. Warriner
Judge of the Superior Court
Published Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2004

Winters Joint Unified School District

Library Clerk, Reg. P/T, 3 hrs/Day, M-F, \$10.04-\$11.09/hr. High School. Deadline: 8/27/04
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Trustee Sale

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. GM-73577-C Loan No. 0306103820 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 5/13/1992. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by the duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. TRUSTOR: JOHN D. CODY AND MARLENE CODY, HUSBAND AND WIFE Recorded 5/26/1992 as Instrument No. 017144 in Book 2354, page 152 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, Date of Sale: 9/2/2004 at 12:00 PM Place of Sale: AT THE REAR (NORTH) ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL BUILDING, 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA Property Address is purported to be: 119 WESTWOOD COURT WINTERS, CA 95694 APN #: 003-380-03-1 The total amount secured by said instrument as of the time of initial publication of this notice is \$22,005.03, which includes the total amount of the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonable estimated costs, expenses, and advances at the time of initial publication of this notice. Date: August 12, 2004 EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE SERVICES, INC. 15455 SAN FERNANDO MISSION BLVD SUITE #208 MISSION HILLS, CA 91345 818-361-6998 Dee Ortega TRUSTEE SALE OFFICER ASAP604427 08/12, 08/19, 08/26

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T.S. No. 04-CA0268 Loan No. 0436786602 APN #: 003-463-11-1 Notice Of Trustee's Sale YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/12/2003. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 9/1/2004 at 12:45PM, Professional Lenders Alliance LLC, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 9/18/2003 as Instrument No. 2003-0058028-00 in book --, page --, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo, State of California. Executed by Jeanne Graham, a single woman. Will Sell At Public Auction To The Highest Bidder For Cash (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial code and authorized to do business in this state), will be held by the duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. TRUSTOR: JOHN D. CODY AND MARLENE CODY, HUSBAND AND WIFE Recorded 5/26/1992 as Instrument No. 017144 in Book 2354, page 152 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, Date of Sale: 9/2/2004 at 12:00 PM Place of Sale: AT THE REAR (NORTH) ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL BUILDING, 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA Property Address is purported to be: 119 WESTWOOD COURT WINTERS, CA 95694 APN #: 003-380-03-1 The total amount secured by said instrument as of the time of initial publication of this notice is \$22,005.03, which includes the total amount of the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonable estimated costs, expenses, and advances at the time of initial publication of this notice. Date: August 12, 2004 EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE SERVICES, INC. 15455 SAN FERNANDO MISSION BLVD SUITE #208 MISSION HILLS, CA 91345 818-361-6998 Dee Ortega TRUSTEE SALE OFFICER ASAP604427 08/12, 08/19, 08/26

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Notice of Intent to sell at auction

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700-21716 of the Business & Professions Code, Section 2328 of the UCC, Section 535 of the Penal Code and provisions of the Civil Code. The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on the 8th day of Sept. 2004, at 10:00 a.m. on the premises where said property has been stored and which are located at Winters Self Storage, 807 Railroad Ave., Winters, CA, County of Yolo, State of California, Bond # RED1006865 the following: Angela Crew, Unit B-34, Washer & dryer, kids toys, futon frame and mattress, blanket, framed mirror, and misc. boxes of items. Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase in cash only. All purchased items sold as is where is and must be removed at the time of sale. Sale subject to cancellation in the vent of the settlement between owner and obligated party.

Aug. 26, Sept. 22004

Ficititious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
July 28, 2004
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Linda Smith, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2004-751

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Aprian Trading Company, 1009 Cottonwood St., Woodland, CA 95695

Full name of registrant(s), residence address, state and zip: Michele Rene Permenter, 1009 Cottonwood St., Woodland, CA 95695

This business classification is: An individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name or names listed above on: July 28, 2004.

s/Michele Permenter
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
s/Linda Smith, Deputy Clerk
Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2004

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
July 23, 2004
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Carol Grein, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2004-740

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: California Custom Fence, 612 Creekside Way, Winters, CA 95694.

Full name of registrant(s), residence address, state and zip: Shaun F. Schroeder, 612 Creekside Way, Winters, CA 95694.

This business classification is: An individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name or names listed above on: July 23, 2004.

s/Shawn F. Schroeder
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State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
s/Carol Grein, Deputy Clerk
Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26, 2004

Notice of Petition Adm. Estate

Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of Maria M. Ochoa.

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Maria M. Ochoa. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Gustavo M. Leal in the Superior Court of California, County of Yolo.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Gustavo M. Leal be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on August 26, 2004, at 8:30 a.m., in Dept. 11, 812 Court Street, Woodland, CA 95695.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A request for Special Notice from is available from the court clerk. Attorney for petitioner: Rita M. Lingwood, 3875 Taylor Rd. Ste. 2A, Loomis, CA 95650. 916-652-9666. Published Aug. 12, 19, 26

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Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
Aug. 11, 2004
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Linda Smith, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2004-793

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: America One Realty, 2932 Rockwell Ct. Davis, CA 95616.

Full name of registrant(s), residence address, state and zip: James Schepcoff, 2932 Rockwell Ct. Davis, CA 95616

This business classification is: An individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name or names listed above on: Aug. 11, 2004.

s/James Schepcoff
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s/Linda Smith, Deputy Clerk
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On Aug. 18, at approximately 5:25 p.m., a 2003 GMC U-Haul truck was traveling east on Mix Canyon Road, approximately 2.1 miles west of Pleasants Valley Road, at an unknown speed. A 1994 black Honda, driven by a white female resident of Vacaville, age 23, was traveling west on Mix Canyon Road, west of Pleasants Valley Road, at approximately 15 miles per hour. The driver of the U-Haul, unknown, failed to negotiate a downhill curve and allowed the U-

Haul to travel into the oncoming lane, sideswiping the Honda. The driver and passenger of the U-Haul truck fled the scene of the collision.

During the investigation it was found that the U-Haul truck may be linked to a possible homicide, attempted homicide and arson. Any further details regarding information other than the hit and run collision should be directed to the Solano County Sheriff's Office, 707-421-7000.

Autos for Sale continued from page B-7

Autos for Sale

'95 Accord EX 2dr. VTECH, 5 speed. Excellent condition, original owner. 252,000 miles. \$2,800. (530)756-6365

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Autos for Sale

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