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Project rebuilds creekbank

By BARRY EBERLING
McNaughton Newspapers

A din caused by heavy construction equipment moving 20,000 cubic yards of dirt signals rebirth for both a short stretch of Putah Creek and Putah Creek Road.

“It’s the biggest project we’ve ever undertaken,” said Rich Marovich, who oversees the health of the creek for the Lower Putah Creek Coordinating Committee.

That dirt is being used to rebuild an eroding creekbank that threatens to undermine the road. If this

small section of the road tumbles 15 feet into the creek below, it would sever a key rural link between Vacaville and Winters.

The project is doing more than saving Putah Creek Road. Rebuilding the bank is expensive — the project costs \$546,000 — but it helps preserve a stretch of creek where the yellow warbler and Swainson’s hawk visit and salmon spawn.

It’s the best bird habitat anywhere on Putah Creek,” Marovich said.

Lower Putah Creek runs about 28 miles from Monticello Dam in the hills to the flatlands near Davis. It

separates Solano and Yolo counties. The short section where the creek is threatening Putah Creek Road is at the southern border of Winters, at the confluence with Dry Creek.

The problem started in 1997, when the creek’s low-flow channel jumped from the middle of the 600-foot-wide creekbed to the side, up against the 15-foot-tall, wall-like bank. Over the years, the new channel eroded some 30 lateral feet of the bank.

A non-native plant called arundo

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Proposed lake changes topic of special meeting

The Winters City Council is sponsoring a town hall meeting on Saturday, Nov. 19, at 1 p.m. in the high school gym to discuss the Bureau of Reclamation’s proposed usage changes to Lake Berryessa. In addition to Bureau representatives and city officials, Congressional representatives and U.S. Department of Interior staff have been invited to attend.

The Bureau has released a final Environmental Impact Statement on the project. Proposed changes may have an economic impact in the surrounding areas, such as Winters.

The proposed changes include:

- ~ A shift from long-term usage (such as private trailers) to short term usage, such as camping, picnicking, fishing, day-use activities, and RV parking.
- ~ Restricted use of motorized watercraft in some areas of the lake.
- ~ Allow one single concessionaire to operate all six resorts at the lake (currently, they are independently operated.)

The official position of the city of Winters is that traffic to and from the lake from boaters hauling motorized watercraft and other forms of open-access recreation at the lake are critical to the city’s

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Jubilicious!

Photos by Debra Lo Guercio

St. Anthony Parish Hall was packed with visitors on Friday, Nov. 11, as the Winters Rotary Club sponsored its Sixth Annual Wine & Food Jubilee, featuring wine and gourmet food from a variety of area wineries, restaurants and caterers.

This year’s event was dedicated to U.S. Veterans, in honor of Veterans Day. The Wine & Food Jubilee is a major Rotary Club fund-raiser, helping to support international Rotary Club programs, local community projects, literacy programs and high school scholarships.

Above, Sarah Dickenson (left) samples some Nichelini Zinfandel, courtesy of Pinky Dahn.

At left, Jesus Salazar (right), owner of Chuy’s Taqueria, fills Cecil Padilla’s plate.

City awarded grant for antique lighting project

SAN FRANCISCO – Pacific Gas and Electric Company last week announced the granting of \$299,650 to 60 community-based organizations for local economic development and community development projects throughout northern and central California. This marks the fourth year of funding for the company’s Economic Development Grant Program.

Governments and 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations throughout PG&E’s service area were eligible to apply for grants up to \$10,000. Applications were judged in two categories:

economic development and community development.

The city of Winters is the recipient of a \$5,000 grant for its antique streetlight project to with the help purchase and installation of 20 antique-style streetlights to complete its initial streetlight renovation which began in 2002.

“The continued necessity for public/private partnerships of this kind is undeniable with 219 of organizations requesting over \$1.9 million” said Beverly Alexander, vice president of customer satisfaction for Pacific Gas and Electric Company. “Choosing between the many worth-

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Vacaville teen killed in crash

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

The only injury in an Oct. 28 crash on Intestate 505 near County Road 27 turned out to be a fatal one. Rachel Davis, 18, of Vacaville died of blunt force trauma injuries while riding in a car driven by Aine Kimsy, 18 of Vacaville.

According to California Highway Patrol officer Robert Lagomarsino, Kimsy was traveling northbound just before 8 p.m. in a 1996 Pontiac Grand Prix at approximately 80 miles per hour while talking on a cell phone. The vehicle drifted off the right side of the road, onto the dirt shoulder and collided with a

guard rail.

Lagomarsino said the right rear side of the vehicle, in which Davis was a passenger, sustained major damage and the car was totaled. Neither Davis nor the other passenger on the left side of the rear seat, Amy Finnigan, 18, of Vacaville were wearing seatbelts. However, in this instance, Lagomarsino says seatbelts would not have prevented injury to Davis. Kimsy and the front seat passenger, Nicole White, 17, of Vacaville, were wearing seatbelts and were not injured, nor was Finnigan.

Neither drugs nor alcohol usage was suspected in the accident, but Lagomarsino says the accident is under investigation.

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WEATHER

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

Date	Rain	Hi	Lo
Nov. 9	.01	67	53
Nov. 10		75	47
Nov. 11		72	47
Nov. 12		71	45
Nov. 13		69	43
Nov. 14		73	48
Nov. 15		78	55

Rain for week: .01
Season's Total: 1.11
Last year to date: 5.79
Normal to Nov. 15: 2.46

Kelly wins weekly football contest

Susan Kelly picked 20 of 28 games correctly, winning the \$30 first prize in the weekly Winters Merchants Football Contest.

Four contestants had 19 right, with Fred De Los Santos winning the \$15 second prize on the tie-breaker

score of the U.S.C-California game, in which 45 points were scored. De Los Santos picked 46, Tim Ireland 47, Susanne Kershner 48, and Pricilla Yandell 74.

The remaining contestants had 18 or fewer correct selections.

FUTURE SUBSCRIBERS

SARAH MARIE PRITCHARD was born on Nov. 11, 2005 to Sean and Denise Pritchard of Winters. Sarah weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and was 20 inches long at birth. Sarah’s grandparents are Ron Pritchard, of Winters, Dennis and Marie Fry, of Sacramento, and Carl and Patty Erwin, of Daly City.

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HERE, THERE & EVERYWHERE

THE CURRENT FUSS OVER removing mobile homes around Lake Berryessa could have been avoided if the lake had been taken into the state park system, as advocated when the Monticello Dam was under construction.

A special Winters City Council meeting has been scheduled for Saturday, November 19, at 1 p.m. in the Winters High School Gym to discuss the situation at Lake Berryessa, where 50 year leases are expiring and the Bureau of Reclamation is proposing a clearing of the shore of the lake.

Prior to the construction of the Monticello Dam, the Folsom Dam across the American River had been constructed, and a state park had been established around Folsom Lake, which had proven to be one of the most popular state parks.

Assemblyman Lloyd Lowrey of Rumsey and Assemblyman Sam Geddes of Napa had proposed a state park at Lake Berryessa, but Joseph Knowland, publisher of the Oakland Tribune and chairman of the State Park Commission was strongly opposed to the park, primarily because he didn't like Lowrey and Geddes. Knowland was able to kill the proposal. When an appropriation for a park at Lake Berryessa was passed in 1955 by the legislature, it was vetoed by Governor Goodwin Knight.

Interestingly, Knowland's son, the late Senator William Knowland, maintained a boat on Lake Berryessa and enjoyed the lake over the years.

When the state declined to establish a park at Lake Berryessa, the Bureau of Reclamation turned to Napa County. That county, having lost the property tax revenue from the Berryessa Valley, was in no financial position to develop a park, but still had to police the area. Napa County then signed a 50 year lease with the Bureau of Reclamation, and then leased the area to concessionaires. Those leases are now expiring.

If the Bureau of Reclamation had made the same proposal in 1955 that is being made in 2006, Saturday's meeting could have been avoided.

If the proposal moves forward, and the lake front is cleared, this might be a good time to raise the spillway at Monticello Dam by two feet and add 30,000 additional acre feet of water to storage.

Winters weekly police report

- Oct. 31**
- ~ At Roosevelt Avenue and Valley Oak Drive, a vehicle was vandalized.
 - ~ On the 400 block of Main Street, a vehicle was vandalized.
- Nov. 7**
- ~ Angelica Vargas, 30, of Davis was stopped in the westbound lane of East Grant Avenue waiting to make a left turn onto East Street. Victoria Christine Gonzalez, 20, of Sacramento was driving in the westbound lane of East Grant Avenue and collided into the rear of Vargas' vehicle.
- Nov. 7-8**
- ~ On the 300 block of Railroad Avenue, a sign was stolen from a business. Loss: \$257.
- Nov. 8**
- ~ Antonio Luis Garcia, 27, of Winters was booked and released on a District Attorney letter charging him with inflicting corporal injury on a cohabitant.
 - ~ On the 800 block of Taylor Street, a 16-year old was threatened and challenged to fight.
 - ~ An officer assisted a Yolo County Sheriff's deputy with a trespassing call at Pardehsa Store.
- Nov. 8-9**
- ~ On the 400 block of Cemetery Drive, fuel was stolen. Loss: \$140.
 - ~ On the 200 block of Rosa Avenue, a vehicle was vandalized.
- Nov. 9**
- ~ A found bicycle was turned over to the police department.
 - ~ On the 700 block of Foxglove Circle, an officer responded to an audible residential alarm. The alarm was activated accidentally.
- Nov. 10**
- ~ Robert John Fox, 35, of Winters surrendered himself on an outstanding San Bernardino Sheriff bench warrant charging him with failure to appear on a previous charge of driving a watercraft while under the influence. Fox was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a promise to appear.
- Nov. 11**
- ~ Rigoberto Gradilla

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Lake constant during past week


The level of Lake Berryessa remained fairly constant during the past week falling only .01 of a foot during the past week with a reduction in storage of 195 acre feet of water, according to Ken Emigh of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 431.10 feet above sea level

with storage computed at 1,434,389 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 35 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 20 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 155 acre feet of water per day during the week.

YESTERYEAR



File photo by U.S. Bureau of Reclamation

Work on the first seven miles of the Putah South Canal, carrying water from the Monticello Dam to Solano County, started in May, 1956. This picture shows a dragline, owned by the contractor, A. Teichert and Sons, of Sacramento, scooping out the canal, six cubic yards at a time, and depositing the material along the side of the canal.

35 YEARS AGO

November 26, 1970

The Yolo County Coroner has completed the identification of six people killed November 17 in a crash on Interstate 505 just north of the overpass, where the road is narrowed to two lanes. Killed were a man and wife from Yreka; a woman and child from Guinda, an Esparto woman and a serviceman from Carmichael, believed to have been hitchhiking.

John Schmucker was elected to the Winters Joint Unified School District board of trustees in Tuesday's election. He will fill the term of Ed Neel, who resigned. The term ends June 30, 1971. Schmucker received 244 votes, Ernie Gaddini 122, Roy Haleen 76, Robert Hapworth 68 and Eugene Cabral 28.

Waverly Hodge, a member of Buckeye Lodge, F. and A.M., Winters, since November, 1920, received his 50 year pin at the November 12 stated meeting of the lodge.

At Tuesday night's meeting of the Winters Planning Commission, Dean Vogan was elected chairman of the group. Eugene Cabral was chosen vice-chairman and William Carter will serve as secretary.

A building permit was issued by the City of Winters this week to Lothar Schreiber, of Santa Clara, for the construction of the new Winters Post Office, to be located at the southwest corner of Baker Street and Railroad Avenue.

Master Sergeant Donald Brewer arrived home Friday from Cam Rahn Bay, Vietnam, where he has been stationed for the past seven months. After a 14 day leave, he will return to his base in Vietnam.

Mrs. Frank L. Ramos will spend the holiday in West Sacramento with her son, Frank Ramos and family.

50 YEARS AGO

November 24, 1955

A subcommittee of the House of Public Works Committee took a first-hand look last Thursday at the construction of the Monticello Dam. The group consisted of Congressmen John J. Riley, South Carolina; T. Millet Hand, New Jersey; Joe L. Evins, Tennessee, and Louis C. Rabaut of Michigan. They were accompanied by Congressmen John F. Baldwin of the Sixth District Congressional of Solano and Contra Costa counties.

J.R. Granger, Bureau of Reclamation engineer, said that at the present time, only six second feet of water is flowing through the diversion tunnel at the Monticello Dam.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Campbell will be Thanksgiving guests at the Sacramento home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Cummings.

A large group comprising all members of the family, will gather tomorrow at the home of Mayor and Mrs. A.R. Gale for Thanksgiving dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Caselli will seat about 20 at Thanksgiving table, including relatives from Santa Clara County.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mermod and family were up from Hayward to spend the weekend with Jack's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace A. Mermod.

The name of "Lake Berryessa" to designate the reservoir behind Monticello Dam has been practically assured. U.S. Senator Thomas Kuchel, in a letter to State Senator Luther Gibson, said that Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay had approved the name.

65 YEARS AGO

November 22, 1940

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Karnopp (Patty Baker) and son were arrivals by motor Saturday from Winnetka, Illinois.

The Wolfskill Farm Home Department will meet at the home of Mrs. C.L. Shattuck, in Winters, Nov. 27. The meeting will be conducted by the project leaders, Mrs. Daisy Rhodes and Mrs. Ann Coulter. Winters was the second town in the county to reach the quota of \$214 in the annual Red Cross drive that opened here Nov. 12.

Jack Vasey Jr. of San Jose Teachers' College and Bill Vasey of U.C. were among the holiday students at home this weekend.

Holiday dinner guests with Mrs. Rose Geller were hostess' brother, George Cook and Mrs. Clara Edsall of Ukiah, sister, Mrs. Estelle Close and Mrs. Luther Burbank of Santa Rosa.

J.V. Graf was among the successful hunters to initiate the 6 day pheasant season that opened Friday.

Misses Elda Button and Marjorie Herron, students at San Jose Teachers' College will spend the holidays at their homes here.

Mr. and Mrs. C.S. Culton and children, Sarshel and Mary were holiday dinner guests with Mrs. Culton's brother, George N. Edwards and family in Piedmont.

Miss Juanita Thompson of Berkeley is spending the weekend holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Warren Thompson.

A Bianchi, jeweler, has arrived in town for the winter and will be open for business at the old stand. He spent the summer in Truckee.

J.F. Vasey, C.E. Wyatt, Francis Jacobs and Carl Poppe were among the spectators Sunday at the St. Mary's-Santa Clara football game.

Weekly fire reports

Nov. 2
~ 600 block of Fourth Street, medical aid to a crime victim.
~ 700 block of Lupine Way, medical aid for a stab wound to the leg.

Nov. 3
~ 700 block of Hemenway Street, medical aid, lift assistance.
~ State Highway 128, vehicle accident, single vehicle rollover.

Nov. 6
~ 800 block of Hemenway Street, medical aid to an ill child.

Nov. 7
~ Grant Avenue at East Street, vehicle accident.
~ 800 block of Apricot Avenue, medical aid for un-

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100 YEARS AGO

November 24, 1905

Miss Louise Gross of Portland, Or., has come to make her home this winter with Mrs. Frank H. Owen.

W.H. Gregory is puncturing the atmosphere with a fine new four-passenger automobile. He has become quite an expert chauffeur.

Mrs. Julia Cradwick has been very ill this week and yesterday her life was despaired of. Her grandson, Thomas Sith, came up Wednesday to see her.

Ed Dunnagan has installed a splendid triple mirror in his barber shop that takes up nearly the whole west wall and gives the room a most attractive appearance.

Little Miss Elizabeth Brinck was five years old Saturday, the 18th, and her mother made the day memorable by inviting all the little lady's young friends to her home.

The Winters line up for the Thanksgiving ball game is as follows: O. Hoag, catcher; Moody, pitcher; T. Brock, first base; Wert Martin, second base; T. Hoag, third base; Will Hoy, short stop; Adrian Overhouse, right field; Shady Campbell, center field, Elmer Pratt, left field.

Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Manning of Chicago arrived in Winters this morning for an extended visit. They are friends of Mrs. W.A. Brinck and Mrs. Ralph Sparks.

Prof. J.R. Grinstead has acquired a half interest in the real estate business recently purchased by Dr. Wyatt from Mr. Gregory, and the firm will be known as Wyatt and Grinstead.



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Opinion



DEBRA LO GUERCIO BECAUSE I SAY SO

EVERYTHING THAT'S WRONG with the mainstream media can be found on the Today Show. The least unwatchable of the three unwatchable morning “news” programs spent much of its airtime last week answering that mystifying question, “Where in the World is Matt Lauer?” Could I possibly care less about anything? Jennifer Aniston’s post-Brad life, maybe?

Here’s the truly mystifying question: Why was there virtually zero coverage of the Sept. 21 General Accountability Office’s report on election security? On that “news” program or any other, network or cable? Did print news do any better? A search of the Associated Press website comes up dry.

According to Brad Friedman of www.bradblog.com, which tracks the electronic voting fraud issue like a tenacious bloodhound, only columnist Arianna Huffington, Inside Bay Area and “The Daily Tar Heel” in North Carolina addressed the GAO report. Now add my name to that tiny list.

Does anyone else find this spectacularly alarming? We’re talking about the sanctity of our votes, here — the very foundation of our democracy! Why is there a complete media blackout on this issue? What gives? To make the lack of coverage even more stupefying, the report is posted on the GAO website, www.gao.gov. You can even download a PDF of the entire 107-page report with a simple click of the mouse. If that’s too difficult, I’ll happily email it to anyone who wants it.

The stunning report confirms the findings of studies done on electronic voting machines by Compuware and RABA Technologies (which I wrote about previously): the machines can be tampered with in various ways. And these machines were used in the 2004 Presidential election.

Bear in mind that the GAO isn’t the tool of MoveOn.org or organized by Michael Moore. The GAO describes itself as “the investigative arm of Congress or the congressional watchdog... independent and nonpartisan.” The GAO works cooperatively with our government. This government. Yes, this Bush Administration. And it’s reporting significant problems with the electronic voting machines used in the 2004 Presidential elections. Isn’t this a tad more important than Lauer sipping lattes in Latvia?

The reports states, “Studies found (1) some electronic voting systems did not encrypt cast ballots or system audit logs, and it was possible to alter both without being detected; (2) it was possible to alter the files that define how a ballot looks and works so that the votes for one candidate could be recorded for a different candidate; and (3) vendors installed uncertified versions of voting system software at the local level... some of these concerns were reported to have caused local problems in federal elections — resulting in the loss or miscount of votes — and therefore merit attention.”

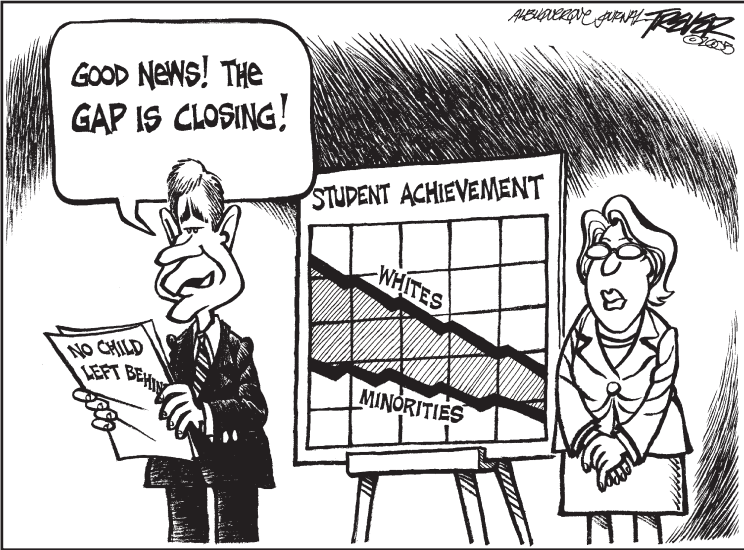
It also notes that election officials, computer security experts and citizen advocacy groups raised “significant concerns” about electronic voting security, including weak security controls, system design flaws, inadequate security testing, incorrect system configuration and poor security management. It further states, “there is evidence that some of these concerns have been realized and have caused problems with recent elections, resulting in the loss and miscount of votes. In light of the recently demonstrated voting system problems; the differing views on how widespread these problems are; and the complexity of assuring the accuracy, integrity, confidentiality, and availability of voting systems throughout their life cycles, the security and reliability concerns raised in recent reports merit the focused attention of federal, state, and local authorities responsible for election administration.”

Included on the lengthy list of actual incidents of electronic voting glitches is this: “A malfunction in a DRE system in Ohio caused the system to record approximately 3,900 votes too many for one presidential candidate in the 2004 general election.”

Remember Ohio’s role in the 2004 election? To make this all even more surreal, Friedman noted that a joint bi-partisan press release issued by three Republican and three Democratic Congressmen — Government Reform Committee Chairman Tom Davis (R-VA) and Ranking Member Henry A. Waxman (D-CA), Judiciary Committee Chair F. James Sensenbrenner (R-WI) and Ranking Member John Conyers (D-MI), and Science Committee Chair Sherwood Boehlert (R-NY) and Ranking Member Bart Gordon (D-TN) — praised the GAO report findings.

So. The GAO report on potential electronic voting fraud is readily available. A bi-partisan Congressional committee has endorsed it. Why isn’t the mainstream media tearing into this like piranhas on a pig carcass?

Forget Matt Lauer. Where in the world is our news coverage?



LETTERS

Lake created from sacrifice

Dear Editor,

I have received an “Action Alert” flyer from the Park Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, Lake Berryessa Administrative Center, Napa. This is my response: I was raised on a ranch in Solano County, the daughter of an immigrant farmer on the land that is across the road from where the Solano County Diversion Dam is. Putah Creek flowed nearby and our family has access to it

I learned at a very young age that flora and fauna is all around us waiting to be protected, respected and enjoyed. This I learned from Will and Carrie Cody, who turned a two-mile stretch of Putah Creek into a resort for swimming, camping and boating with hand-hewn boats and oars. They did all this leaving the land in its natural state.

I married a farmer to the west upstream, who farmed a ranch on the banks of Putah Creek. Again I had the beauty and enjoyment of a stream that flowed before and after the Monticello Dam was built. I felt special, as did friends and family that my husband, sons and I invited to enjoy and share what we had. They still talk about it.

My biggest disappointment is what the public did to the land surrounding Lake Berryessa. They

seemed to rush in and put up buildings quickly without a thought to aesthetics, and not connecting to its natural beauty. I have never had a desire to invite friends and family to an outing or a drive to the lake. I never cease to wonder how this could have happened and I am grateful to have this opportunity to help fix it.

The businesses will grow as well as the tax dollars for the City of Winters as more tourists that appreciate natural beauty in a controlled setting will gravitate to the lake. I will surely work toward that goal.

It is very upsetting to me to have made a stop at the Monticello Dam and the next view from the road are house trailers lined up side by side on the far shore across the waters of the lake. The name of the game is aesthetics — aesthetics and remembering nature and its natural beauty.

One more thing. Families young and old, many of whom were pioneers, were uprooted from their historic homes and land so that Lake Berryessa could become a reality. Let’s remember their great sacrifice and make the land around the lake natural, beautiful, accessible and enjoyable for everybody and be proud that we did.

THERESA SACKETT

Supports Lake Berryessa plan

Dear Editor,

I live next to federal land at Lake Berryessa. I experience the sense of private entitlement that those in possession of this public lake have as I drive past signs threatening me with criminal trespass should I dare to cross a fence to get to the lake.

The concession contracts under which 1,300 families were granted exclusive rights to occupy vacation sites on public land are expiring. After nearly half a century, the government wants to give this land back to the public, but the tenants are refusing to leave.

The Bureau of Reclamation is proposing to create four resort areas with restaurants, cabins, marinas, and RV and tent campsites, in a range of prices suitable for everyone.

They also want to develop two camping centers for both tent campers and those with RVs. And finally, one of the seven current concession areas would become a houseboat rental center along with a marina.

They also want to appeal to more than just boaters, so they plan to put in hiking and biking trails and remote campsites to stay at. There will still be boating at the lake, but there will also be swimming areas and quiet zones for kayaking.

As a local community, Winters residents will

benefit from all the recreation improvements. Want to take the kids hiking one day? Pick a section of the 150 mile shoreline trail to hike. Want to learn how to kayak? Take a kayak lesson or just rent one and head up Pope Creek for a quiet paddle. Is swimming your thing? The Bureau is proposing to close off the section between the islands and the shoreline to motor boats. Want to fish from the shoreline? Trails will make the entire shoreline accessible for the first time. Need a little nature in your life? Walk one of the nature trails or visit the interpretive center that is planned.

Right now the unsightly concession areas, substandard campgrounds, absence of any protected quiet areas on the lake, and the lack of trails all combine to keep many people from coming to this lake to enjoy nature.

There is also too much drinking and partying, which explains why this is the most dangerous lake in northern California. The current tenants argue that this is a reason not to open their sites up to public use. But it is the lake as it is today that attracts those who behave in such a manner. An experienced concession operator wrote to the Bureau that in similar situations, once camping and marinas

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CHARLES R. WALLACE A QUICK OPINION

GATEWAY TO LAKE BERRYESSA. That slogan has been on every Express since the 1950s when the dam was being built. Winters might not have taken full advantage of the lake over the years, but there is no denying the benefits the lake and the Monticello Dam has brought to Winters.

Beyond flood control, the dam has brought us a constant water supply, but more importantly, the dam created Lake Berryessa. The lake has changed over the years. When first created there weren’t any homes or permanent residents around the lake. There are now thousands of people who call Lake Berryessa home. Some of those homes are on leased land and those leases are due to expire sometime in 2009.

The Bureau of Reclamation is holding a hearing this Saturday, 1 o’clock, at Young Gymnasium. If you are interested in what is going to happen to the lake and the surrounding properties, stop by. There are plans to remove all of the trailers and buildings around the lake and make part of the lake motor boat free, or at the very least, motor boat light.

Getting rid of the trailers, on the surface, sounds good to me. I wouldn’t mind seeing daily or weekly rental cabins around the resorts, with more trails and outdoor activities. The bigger issue is who will run the resorts. A couple of Berryessa resort owners have called Winters home and have contributed to our community. The Bureau would like to transfer all of the leases to one concessionaire. Would some East Coast management team do a better job than local ownership? Would the money stay in our area? I doubt it.

There are major changes coming to the lake. Just how much input we will have is hard to say, but if we all stand by and say nothing, we will get what we deserve. The business the lake generates for Winters merchants isn’t hard to see. Watch the boats filling up with fuel before they head up the hill, or count the number of boats and trailers parked in front of Town and Country Market. I can see boats in the parking lot across from the Express, their owners dining in Cody’s or up the street at the Café or at some other restaurant. The hardware stores also benefit as do just about every merchant in town.

We don’t generate a lot of sales tax in Winters, and I can’t imagine what will happen if the Bureau of Reclamation closes the lake to boating. If you think we have money problems now, just wait.

I was riding my bicycle around town and started counting boats in driveways, and on the street, and if just the people who own boats would show up at the meeting, it would be impressive. Everyone who likes, or hates, the lake should plan on voicing their opinions.

I hope to see everyone on Saturday.

City ignores its own violations

Dear Editor,

The city is conducting its building permit amnesty program again. The amnesty program provides a secured measure for an opportunity to have your structures inspected. Inspections are obtained through the avenue of a permit. A permit is obtained by contacting the Building Department, filling out an application and paying the fees required.

The Amnesty Program provides the homeowner a chance to request and receive inspections on their outstanding permits that were not completed or finalized. The city is offering this opportunity to complete those unfinished structures and/or receive inspections on those completed projects. Of course, if you constructed some type of structure without the benefit of a permit, at this time the city is offering you the opportunity to obtain one without paying a fine. These fines could consist of investigative fees, double fees, and/or other unforeseen fees.

If the city would like to conduct such a program, it should begin by setting the example foremost. There are a few members of the city who are not complying with the rules and regulations that are solely set and adopted by, but are in place to be enforced upon others. This doesn’t sound right, does it? It is not right that the

city fathers be exempt from following the rules and regulations they set and enforce on the citizens of Winters.

City Manager John Donlevy is well aware there are buildings that are not to code, and not following city rules, regulations and/or ordinances. One of the buildings is owned by a city councilman and is used for his legal business. The site is within one block of City Hall. The site is in a commercial zone, was once used as a residence, was in dire need of attention and still remains an eyesore to the core business district.

The business next door to the attorney’s place is also a dream place. Just ask the business owner across the street, John Siracusa, who at his own expense, constructed a redwood fence on the First Street side in order to block the “not so desirable” view from his B&B on the west side.

If a council member and a city manager do not give the example by complying with the rules themselves, then why should the citizens be expected to do the same? The example should start at City Hall, wouldn’t you say so?

First of all, this site is put on the Yearly Weed Abatement List because of the maintenance negligence of the obnoxious weeds. Secondly, it did not

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Please show common courtesy

Dear Editor,

Please, if you have the misfortune of hitting one of my safety cones and your car drags it up the street, bring it back. Don’t just leave it somewhere, like someone did this past Friday. They left it a block

and a half away, and a student happened to spot it. They do cost the school district money and they help avoid accidents, so please bring them back. Common courtesy.

HELGA McMENOMY
Crossing guard

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Bureau of Reclamation plan for lake would be disaster

By **LINDA FRAZIER**
Markley Cove Resort
Special to the Express

On Saturday, Nov. 19, you have an opportunity to participate in a critical democratic process. Please join us in a meeting at 1 p.m. at the high school gym where, along with the Winters City Council, you may ask some hard questions of the United States Bureau of Reclamation regarding Lake Berryessa.

The Bureau is not in Winters willingly — they were literally ordered here by the Department of the Interior after our council members dared to question whether the latest federal agency proposals would negatively impact our community.

And what of this plan — the Bureau of Reclamation's Alternative B. It recommends ripping out most of the current improvements that belong to the business people that own

and operate them. Alternative B demands that 1,300 long term sites be eliminated even though in many instances these sites are not in conflict with short term use. It categorizes the water surface area in such a way that if followed, motorized boating on Lake Berryessa will most certainly be reduced and it arbitrarily determines what activities will be offered at each resort with no economic reasons for making these business decisions.

So, how does this really affect the city of Winters? Does it really matter what happens at the lake? Is it worth a Saturday afternoon to come and try to talk to more bureaucrats? Let me give you an example: My husband and I have been at Markley Cove for nearly 18 years. After years of hard work, Markley has become a thriving business serving 15,000 launch customers a year. Ninety nine percent of these customers come

through Winters on the way to or from the lake. They stop and purchase gasoline at Chevron or Pisani's. They pick up groceries at Town & Country, supplies at Berryessa Sporting Goods or a meal at Tomat's or Roundtable Pizza. These are not strangers that will come once a year. They come week after week, so they know what Winters has to offer and they make their plans to stop in town.

The current Bureau proposal states Markley Cove will be the Lake Berryessa Houseboat Rental Center. To quote the Bureau, it (Markley) would include some rental boat slips, fuel sales and launch activities to the extent that the houseboat operation has space available for its needs — end of quote. Markley is a very small area. I can tell you it does not have space for a rental houseboat operation, boat slips and the current launch activities. The loss of 15,000 cus-

tomers that stop in Winters on a regular basis to spend their money will most definitely impact the Winters economy.

This scenario is being repeated at every resort. The Bureau is choosing to bulldoze assets and demand a new business plan based on unproven expectations. Their own economic analysis states the lake businesses should try to attract the "more affluent" customer base that goes to Napa to taste wine. Does this make sense? Are Napa's customers going to come to the lake — are they somehow more desirable than the boaters and fishermen that come to the lake through Winters?

Let me refer to an Economic Analysis done by Adam B. Summers, M.A. and Michael R. Summers, Ph.D. that reviews the Bureau's preferred proposal (Alternative B). This analysis clearly states that Reclamation has largely ig-

nored significant risks that have a direct bearing on the feasibility of their proposal. The costs of removing facilities or compensating concessionaires for their investments in such facilities are assumed away — costs that could easily total tens of millions of dollars. Also ignored is how Reclamation plans to pay for other proposed improvements such as trails, visitor centers, etc. Given that it is highly unlikely there will be any significant increase in congressional appropriations for the management of Lake Berryessa, where does Reclamation propose to get money to fund these improvements?

It becomes clear that the Bureau of Reclamation Alternative B is not feasible. There can be no economic justification for removing the current facilities or creating new unproven business plans

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Happy 21st
Birthday,
Jimbo



Love,
Grandma & Papa
Gonzales

Winters may benefit from lake redevelopment

By **CAROL KUNZE**
Executive Director, Berryessa Trails and Conservation

All concession contracts at Lake Berryessa are expiring and the government is planning to redevelop the lake. Those who benefit from the status quo at the lake predict doom and economic gloom from the redevelopment. But there is a future in store that is considerably rosier than the status quo interests would have you believe, for both the recreating public and the surrounding economies, including the city of Winters.

The government's plans will diversify the recreational activities at the lake, while still catering to the boating and water skiing interests that are served today. In addition

to recreational boating, Winters residents can look forward to hiking, biking, kayaking and fishing along a 150 mile shoreline trail, staying in remote campsites in quiet coves, or in an established campground or resort. An interpretive center and nature trails will be developed, further broadening the appeal of the lake.

By appealing to a broader segment of the recreating public, and in particular by establishing hiking, biking, and equestrian trails which will see the heaviest use in the spring and fall, the season for this lake will be substantially expanded.

Equally important, private vacation sites and aging, deteriorated concession facilities will be replaced by new visitor serving facilities for the

public in a range of prices and amenities. Under the government's preferred alternative, there would be four complete resorts with cabins, motels, tent and RV sites, restaurants, retail stores, boat slips and marinas.

In addition, there would be two large concession areas that focus on camping with modern RV sites, complete with full hookups, and tent sites, plus full marina operations. Markley Cove, the concession closest to Winters, will remain a marina with a year-round boat launch ramp, boat slips, and retail store. In addition, a new business will be added — houseboat rentals. In fact, this cove is designated to be the houseboat rental center for the lake.

When the public has ac-

cess to overnight accommodations and numerous activities from which to choose, Lake Berryessa will become a vacation destination. National and even worldwide resort operators with substantial financial resources have recognized the economic potential and are lining up to bid on being the new concessionaire.

As the gateway community for visitors from Davis and the Sacramento Metropolitan area, Winters stands to benefit from the extended season and the larger market that more diversified recreational activities will serve. The sale of gasoline to visitors generates important revenue for Winters now. Under the proposed redevelopment

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were upgraded and "unsightly permanent trailer villages" removed, use patterns, clientele, law enforcement and misuse issues changed and the lake became more com-

patible with family use.

If this vision of the lake looks good to you, go to the city council meeting on Nov. 19 at 1 pm at the Winters High School Gym. Because the people who currently occupy the lake will be there, trying to prevent you from having it.

MARC PANDONE

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Community

McLaughlin, Browne exchange vows

Amanda McLaughlin of Winters and Thomas Browne, Jr. of Vacaville became husband and wife on May 29, 2005 at 5 p.m. at Travis Air Force Base, with 175 guests in attendance. The bride was given away by her father.

The bride wore a strapless beaded gown with a cathedral length veil, and carried white roses and alstroemeria. Her sister, Mallory McLaughlin, served as Maid of Honor, and wore a floor-length lavender strapless gown and carried tulips and roses. The bridesmaids and sisters of the groom, Samantha and Kyle Browne, wore gowns matching the Maid of Honors. The flower girl, Casey Cox, wore a custom-made dress of ivory silk and tulle, and carried tulips in a basket. The best man was Josh



AMANDA and THOMAS BROWNE, JR.

Danner, and the ushers were Bryan Feathers and Collin Kordas. Jake Ivory was the ring-bearer.

A reception was held at the Travis Air Force Base Officers Club following the ceremony. The newlyweds honey-

mooned in Waikiki, Hawaii for one week.

The bride is the daughter of Nancy and Jerry McLaughlin of Winters. The groom is the son of Lt. Col. Tom Browne and his wife, Cathy, of Vacaville.

Free Thanksgiving dinner planned

The eighth annual “Be Thankful Dinner” will be held at the Winters Community Center, 201 Railroad Avenue, on Sunday, Nov. 20,

at 6:30 p.m. A full Thanksgiving turkey dinner with all the trimmings will be served until the food runs out. This event is sponsored

by the Winters Ministerial Association and is free to the public. For more information call 795-2687.

Fortnightly Club news update

By AUDREY THURMOND
Special to the Express

The Winters Fortnightly Club held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 8, with club president Darlene Benson presiding.

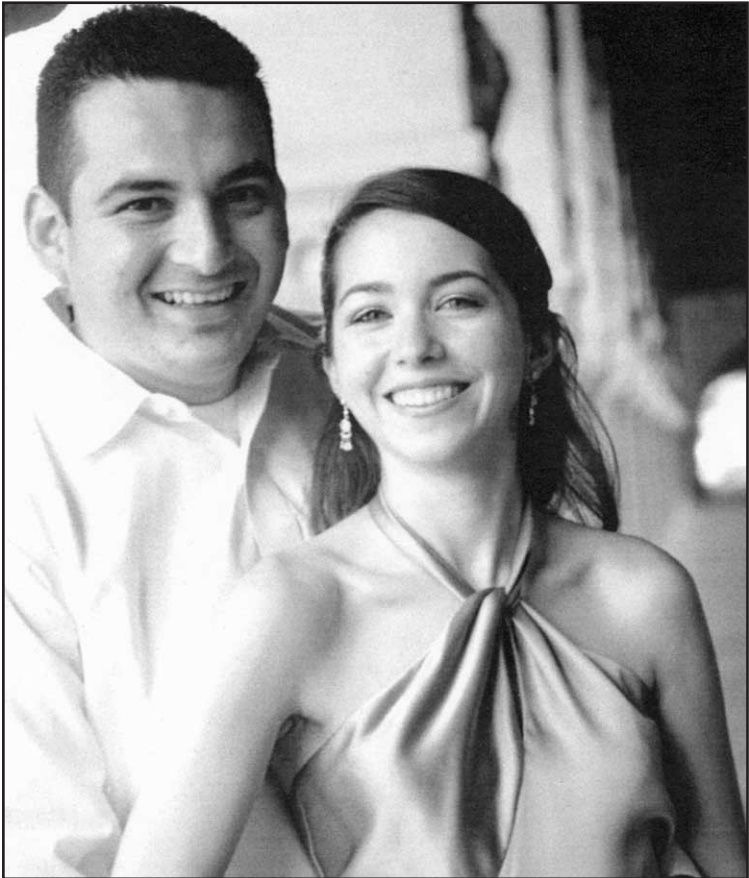
The guest speaker for the day was Donna Neu of the Red Cross in Woodland. She spoke of the impressive volunteer effort that swung into place, both here and in communities all around the country, in the aftermath of recent disasters. Yolo County provided some 100 volunteers on the ground in the wake of Katrina/Rita and the level of volunteering for future “action teams” has greatly increased. Neu expressed her respect for the generosity shown locally and internationally.

Emergency preparedness was another topic covered in this presentation and examples of emergency kits were shown. The group was provided with practical ideas to help take care of their needs and safety in the event of an emergency situation.

The club will have their Holiday luncheon and gift exchange on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at noon. This is always a festive gathering and members are reminded to bring a salad to share and a gift, valued up to \$10, for the exchange.

The hostesses for the day were Audrey Thurmond, Viona Hague and Barbara Thomas, filling in for June Atherton. The autumn flowers were gathered from Viona’s garden and made a striking display.

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LUIS ARELLANO and VERONICA PADILLA

Arellano and Padilla engaged

Luis Enrique Arellano, of Stanford, and Veronica Padilla, of Belmont, are engaged to be married and will wed this December in San Francisco. Luis and Veronica met while both were attending Stanford University. Luis, a graduate of the Class of 1998 with a degree in Electrical Engineering, proposed to Veronica while strolling along the San Francisco Bay in 2004. Veronica graduated from Stanford in 2001 with a masters de-

gree in psychology.

Luis is the son of Everardo and Raquel Arellano, of Winters and is related to Josefina and Mario Arellano. He has two siblings, Everardo and Raquel. Luis is currently pursuing an MBA at Stanford Business School.

Veronica is the daughter of Paco and Chela Padilla, of Belmont, and the sister of Ruby Padilla. She is currently the research assistant manager at EMQ in San Jose.

Hemenway completes basic training

Navy Seaman Apprentice Brandon L. Hemenway, son of Marybeth Perrin and David R. Hemenway of Winters, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Illinois.

During the eight-week program, Hemenway completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard, aircraft safety and physical fitness.

The capstone event of boot camp is “Battle Stations”. This exercise gives recruits the skills and confidence they need to succeed in the fleet. “Battle Stations” is designed to galvanize the basic warrior attributes of sacrifice, dedication, teamwork and endurance through the practical application of basic Navy skills and the core values of Honor, Courage and Commitment.

Hemenway is a 2004 graduate of Buckingham Magnet High School of Vacaville.

Winters Lions Club will sponsor a Blood Drive at the Community Center, Monday, Nov. 28, 3-7 p.m.

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It’s about the truth

Dear Editor,

I need to comment on the letters in your Nov. 10 edition.

Regarding the 911 Commission and Senate Intelligence Committee:

Contrary to what one of your letter writers said, neither the 911 Commission nor the Senate Intelligence Committee (Phase One) addressed the issue of whether the Bush administration manipulated intelligence reports. Phase Two of the Senate Intelligence Committee was supposed to investigate how the intelligence was used, but the Republicans stalled that phase of the investigation; last year, Republican Senator Roberts said Phase Two would commence after the election, but nothing was done. In the past few days, of course, Democratic Senator Harry Reid forced the issue and Phase Two will now proceed. (I hope you all contacted Senator Reid to thank him for that.)

Regarding the Downing Street Minutes/Memo:

The contents of the Downing Street Minutes were not refuted by British officials; in fact, British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw said the DSM contained “nothing new.” (Sunday Times, May 1, 2005) In addition, both former U.S. Treasury Secretary Paul O’Neill and former National Security Advisor Richard Clarke had previously made similar statements. Even prior to the war, CIA analysts reported that they were being pressured by the administration to provide information in support of war. For example, you can Google an October 8, 2002 Knight Ridder news story and a December, 2002, Sacramento Bee article by Robert Dreyfuss.

The DSM story did not “sink like a rock;” rather, the Republicans have done everything in their power to obstruct any inquiry into the matter and the American mainstream media has not reported responsibly.

On May 5, 2005, Congressman John Conyers and 93 members of Congress sent a letter to Bush asking for a response to the DSM; on May 17, Scott McClellan said the White House would not respond to the letter. A follow up letter was sent in June. (Both letters can be read on Conyers’ website.)

When Conyers announced that he would hold a Congressional hearing to discuss the DSM, the Republicans initially refused to let the meeting take place in Congress; at the last minute, the panel was allowed to meet in Congress, but was stuck in a small basement room. The Republicans would not allow the meeting to be classified as an official hearing and they called for 11 votes during the testimony, in an attempt to disrupt the proceedings.

The Democrats persevered and testimony was given by former ambassador to Iraq Joseph Wilson, CIA analyst Ray McGovern, Constitutional attorney John Bonifaz, and GSFP founder Cindy Sheehan. (C-Span provided live coverage of the testimony, June 16, 2005.)

Finally, 25 Republican

House members recently thwarted a bipartisan attempt to investigate the allegations of intelligence manipulation.

And now for an interesting bit of history from an article in the Washington Post, Saturday, Nov. 12, 2005, page A01: “In a news conference in February 2001 in Egypt, then-Secretary of State Colin L. Powell said of the economic sanctions against Hussein’s Iraq: ‘Frankly, they have worked. He has not developed any significant capability with respect to weapons of mass destruction.’”

In closing, I’d like to point out that many politicians, military officials and intelligence officers who are speaking out are or were Republican; others are non-partisan, having worked under both parties. (For examples, see the DSM testimony noted above and Robert Greenwald’s documentary “Uncovered: The Whole Truth About the Iraq War.”) This should not be about party affiliation, but about truth.

NANCY PATTERSON

Democrat club to view WalMart movie

Dear Editor,

The Winters Democratic Club would like to invite anyone with curiosity to come to the next meeting, at which we will be showing the movie that explains the true cost of the giant corporate entity, WalMart

This week this movie will be showing across the county. In Winters, we will be watching it on Thursday, Nov. 17, at 7 p.m. at my home on Highway 128, call for directions. Everyone is

welcome; refreshments will be served. It’s a great opportunity to meet interesting Winters folks and talk about the challenges of our political sphere.

For more information, call 795-3660.

CYNTHIA RODRIGUEZ ROY MARUBAYASHI

Middle school chorus outstanding

Dear Editor,

Last week, I had the privilege of hearing 16 members of the Winters Middle School’s vocal chorus, under the direction of Lynne Secrist, perform on stage in Vacaville, in front of an audience of over 300. The event was a school program fund-raiser that Davis-Vacaville’s chorus, the West Valley Chorale (Barbershop) sponsors annually both in Davis and Vacaville.

The hometown middle school’s performance was a rousing success. Winters has every right to be immensely proud of this vocal group and its director.

ROY BELLHORN West Valley Chorale

Congratulations on great Jr. Warrior season

Dear Editor,

Congratulations to our Midget football players for playing a great season and coming in second in the Southern Division 2. The Midgets came out of the season with a 7 and 2 record, playing hard in round one of the play-offs at home against Orland. Our Jr. Midgets played hard all year, coming out of the season with an 8 and 1 record. The Jr. Midgets

came in second in the Northern California Federation championship league. They fought hard against Willows.

Our PeeWee Cheerleading squad came in first place in the Southern Division 2 Cheer competition. All of our teams played hard and well this year. Thank you for making our season a great and fun season.

If you would like to help make decisions about your child’s football or cheer organization we are looking for board members for the 2006 season. Please come to Cody’s Deli, this Thursday, Nov. 17, for the nominations for a ballot position. The general membership will be voting on Nov. 22 for the 14 board positions at the annual awards ceremony. We will hold the ceremony at St. Anthony’s Parrish Hall at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 22.

For more information, feel free to call Jackie Monnin at 795-1020.

WINTERS JR. WARRIORS

One sentence

Dear Editor,

This letter isn’t for or against any single factor, just a general comment. And I’ll say it all in one sentence. Californians vote for what Sacramento Bee columnist Dan Walters calls the “dysfunctional status quo” of unions, political sleaze and soon the Indians, owners of hugely profitable nations within a nation and capable of sleazing their own brand of greed.

I wonder, Adams and Jefferson, do your offspring burst you with laughter or with tears?

ED DAWKINS

Sign up for holiday food baskets

The Christmas Food Basket and Toy Distribution, takes place on Dec. 17, at the Community Center. Toys will be given away at 9 a.m. and baskets from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

There will be 200 baskets available. To qualify for a basket, sign up at City Hall by Dec. 9. City Hall is open weekdays, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Applicants must show proof of residency: address on PG&E bill, rent receipt or phone bill. No P.O. boxes.

To support this community effort, bring cash or a check payable to the Winters Ministerial Association to City Hall.

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ment’s standards?

Many newcomers walking through the area ask, “What is this? Why is it so badly kept up? Is it a business or what?”

Last, but not least, the site is not connected to the city water and sewer services, at least it seems that way. There is no other explanation due to the proven fact that the business owner (a councilman) and his employee are witnessed daily using the bathroom facilities at City Hall. You may ask any of the employees there, like Nanci, Jen or Gloria.

So the question is why the city manager is not enforcing compliance on this individual? Are the councilmen exempt from such codes and regulations that this city adopts and enforces on others? The city should look at its own violations before attempting to clean up the rest of the town, don’t you think? The example should start at City Hall.

JEAN MEDINA

Entertainment

‘A Christmas Story’ opens Friday

By GERMAINE HUPE
Special to the Express

The members of the Winters Theatre Company will open their holiday production of “A Christmas Story” this Friday evening, Nov. 18, with a Champagne Gala presentation. The evening’s festivities will begin at 7:30 p.m. with beverages and desserts, followed by an 8 p.m. curtain. There will be seven additional performances including two Sunday matinees.

A talented cast of 13 actors will portray a total of 20 roles as they bring the charm and nostalgia of a “A Christmas Story” to the stage of the Community Center.

Trent Beeby and Gina Wingard play the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Parker, who live in a central Indiana town in 1940. Brandon Emery portrays their son Ralphie, who dreams of getting a Red Ryder BB Gun for Christmas and fantasizes heroic scenes with his weapon. Loren Tolley plays Ralphie’s shy, whining little brother, Randy. JoAnn May, after working in several productions as stage manager, makes her acting debut as the teacher, Miss Shields. Veteran actor Jim

Hewlett has multiple roles; he plays the sharp negotiating Christmas tree salesman, the bemused delivery man, the heroic cowboy, and the jovial Santa Claus.

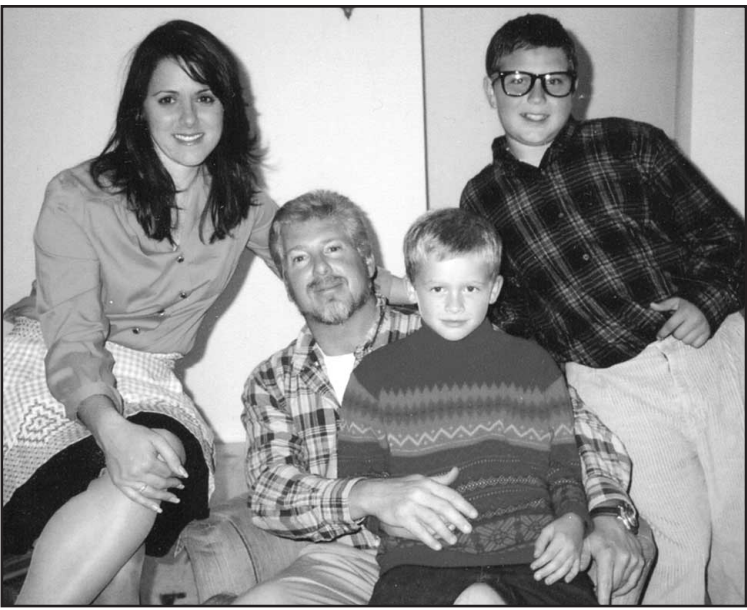
Ralphie’s best friends, the cocky Schwartz, and the perpetual victim, Flick, are played by Andrew Gonzales and Tommy Halbach.

The girls in Ralphie’s neighborhood are nine-year-old Helen, described as “a woman ahead of her time,” and Esther Jane, Ralphie’s would-be girl friend. Olivia Orosco appears as Helen, and Lauren Hupe plays Esther Jane. The neighborhood bully, Scut Farkas, is being played menacingly by Cory Beeby.

The all important narrator, who is the adult Ralphie, joins all the plot elements as he remembers his childhood in Indiana and a very special Christmas. Mark Dahn appears as the narrator.

The play is directed by Howard Hupe. Gary Schroeder designed the lighting, Kent Wingard is the lighting technician, and Janette Dahn operates the sound.

Megan Hupe is the stage manager, and stagecrew members Austen Dahn



Courtesy photo

Actors in the Winters Theatre Company production of “A Christmas Story” are, from left, Gina Wingard as The Mother, Trent Beeby as the Old Man, Loren Tolley as Randy and Brandon Emery as Ralphie. The play opens Friday, Nov. 18, at the Winters Community Center, with a champagne gala performance at 7:30 p.m.

and Rod Orosco keep things moving smoothly behind the scenes. Heather Collins and Germaine Hupe are in charge of costumes for the production.

Join WTC as humorist Jean Shepherd’s story of growing up in Indiana unfolds on the stage of the Community Center. The play opens on Friday, Nov. 18 with a 7:30 p.m. Gala opening.

Subsequent performances with an 8 p.m. curtain are Fridays and Saturdays, Nov. 19, 25, and 26, and Dec. 2 and 3. Two Sunday matinees on Nov. 20 and 27 have a 2 p.m. curtain. Tickets are available at Kimes Ace Hardware and the Chamber of Commerce office. Reservations can be made by calling 795-4014.

Nutcracker ballet coming to Community Center stage

Studio C School of Dance and Genesis Dance Company will be presenting a production of Tchaikovsky’s Nutcracker ballet this holiday season. This production is a mixture of classical ballet, tap, ballroom, jazz, hip hop and International dance, and is a fun holiday production for people of all ages.

Included in the Nutcracker ballet are Cara McCoy, as the Sugar Plum Fairy; Colwyn Martin, as the Nutcracker Prince and Ellie Kren, as Clara.

The production will be held at the Winters Community Center Theater in Winters, on Saturday,

Dec. 10, at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., and on Sunday, Dec. 11, there will be a gala performance at 2 p.m. Admission prices are (presale) \$10 general, \$8 Student/Senior and \$6 for children ages 6 and younger. Non-presale prices are \$11 General, \$9 Student/senior and \$7 children. Tickets are available through Studio C School of Dance, or at the door on the day of the event. Gala prices are \$13, \$12 and \$9 respectively.

For more information, call Tara Manners at 795-1900, email TManners@aol.com or visit her website at www.studiocdance.com.

‘In Harmony’s Way’ to perform at The Palms

In the spring of 2005, eighteen Bay Area singers got together to record some of their favorite chorus songs from the American and British Isles traditions in a CD collection called “In Harmony’s Way.” The project sought to document the rich local heritage of a cappella singing, and to share these wonderful songs with a greater audience. The rehearsal, recording process, and concert were filmed for a documentary by El Mundo Bueno studios. Pete Seeger gave the concept a hearty endorsement, and the group did its debut concert at Berkeley’s Freight and Salvage, in July.

In Harmony’s Way will

be appearing 8:30 p.m. on Dec. 3 at The Palms Playhouse in Winters.

Locals Dick Holdstock and Allan Macleod, early Palms organizers and singers of traditional English and Scottish songs, are part of the group, and will serve as Masters of Ceremony for this performance. In Harmony’s Way is comprised both of well-known singers with multiple recording projects to their credit, such as Shay Black of the famous “Black Family of Dublin”, Sylvia Herold of “Awake the Dead”, Doug Olsen of “Oak Ash and Thorn”, and others who love the music. Each member is a long-term participant in the Bay Area song session

scene. In its performances the group seeks to recreate the atmosphere and energy of the informal song sessions that have been an integral part of folk music for over a century.

The Palms Playhouse is located at 13 Main Street, Winters.

Tickets are available from Kimes Ace Hardware 35 Main St, Winters, 795-3368, and at other locations shown on the Palms website www.palmsplayhouse.com

For more information contact Dick Holdstock at Holdstocks@DCN.org or visit the group’s website at <http://www.inharmonysway.com>.

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while projects was challenging. These grants will fill gaps in economic and community development budgets, and we believe that the selected projects will be the most effective in making a positive difference in dozens of communities.”

The grants are funding various types of projects, including business retention, business recruitment, infrastructure planning, downtown improvement, training, websites, marketing materials, and industry studies. Over the past four years of this program, PG&E has provided over \$925,000 to 185 worthy projects.

In addition to the Economic Development Grant Program, Pacific Gas and Electric Company works directly with over 100 local, state and regional economic development organizations to promote business development and job creation in northern and central California. Since 1996, PG&E's economic development team has provided vital assistance to successfully attract and retain 152 businesses totaling over 27,000 jobs in communities the utility serves.

According to a press release issued by the company, Pacific Gas and Electric Company has a long history of making charitable grants tailored to the needs of the wide variety of communities it serves, and these economic development grants are part of that effort. The company's charitable contributions program provides cash grants, in-kind contributions and volunteers for community-based nonprofit organizations, schools and other governmental programs throughout northern and central California. All charitable contributions are entirely funded by the company's shareholders.

POLICE

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Villasenor, 50, of Dixon was arrested for possessing a controlled substance. Villasenor was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

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~ At I-505 and County Road 29A, an officer

FIRE

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conscious male.

Nov. 9
~ 23000 block of County Road 89, grass fire.

Nov. 10
~ 700 block of Hemenway Street, public assistance.

LAKE

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economy. According to a press release issued by the city, Lake Berryessa has been an important part of the local economy for more than 50 years, and city staff and the city council want to be sure that the proposed

assisted the California Highway Patrol with a rollover traffic collision.

Nov. 14
~ Martin Guzman, 40, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, being an unlicensed driver and speeding. Blood alcohol content results: .07/.06. Guzman was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult.

Nov. 12
~ Northbound Interstate 505 at County Road 29-A, overturned vehicle.

~ Northbound Interstate 505 at County Road 29-A, vehicle fire.
~ 300 block of Peach Place, medical aid for chest pain.

~ Northbound Interstate 505 north of Allendale, mutual aid to Solano County for a vehicle fire.

changes will not have any negative impacts on Winters and the surrounding area.

The Bureau will present its strategy at the meeting and explain its decision. Anyone interested in the proposed changes is invited to attend the meeting and express their opinions or concerns.

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created this rogue channel. The reed grows more than 30 feet tall and is found in thick clumps. It is clogging up creekbeds all over California. In this case, the arundo blocked the creek's regular low-flow channel. The big rains of 1997 caused water to surge down Putah Creek. When the water ran up against the wall of arundo, it shifted course and started digging out a new channel.

Each winter, the storm-fed creek erodes the creekbank and gets closer and closer to Putah Creek Road. Time to save the road is running out. The eroded bank is within a few feet of the pavement. A few more big storms could send the road tumbling down.

There's a simple, time-proven solution: Bring in some concrete riprap to shore up the failing bank. But it would make the bank look like something found in a city. Putah Creek has friends who didn't want to see this habitat altered by riprap. The Lower Putah Creek Coordinating Committee

was born in the late 1990s out of an environmental lawsuit. It brings together the Davis-based Putah Creek Council, Solano County Water Agency, UC Davis and city of Davis.

The committee put together the restoration plans and stitched together grants to pay for it. Work got under way in late summer. The project will solve not only the Putah Creek Road problem, but also stop erosion on Dry Creek. Rebuilding the bank takes a massive amount of dirt. The project got some of the dirt by excavating the original low-flow channel. It's also digging out a 1-acre pond near the creek. This dirt is close at hand and doesn't need to be trucked in.

“That's going to help us keep the cost down on the overall project,” Marovich said.

Finally, the project is getting dirt that got excavated 50 years ago to create the Putah Canal South. This is the concrete-lined canal that delivers Lake Berryessa reservoir water to Solano County cities and farms. The excavated dirt has sat near the canal all of these decades.

But rebuilding the bank and recreating the old low-flow channel will all be for naught if the arundo returns. The Lower Putah Creek Coordinating Council has killed most of it with herbicide. Arundo is a hard weed to kill off.

“We got 99 percent control with the first application,” Marovich said. “The 1 percent has grown back to maybe 10 percent of what it was.”

So more arundo eradication work will follow.

“We have to be persistent until it's completely knocked out,” Marovich said.

The creek bank rebuilding project should be finished in a few weeks. That will be just in time. Then the rainy season is due to begin, perhaps bringing big storms that cause gully-washers in Putah Creek.

For the first time in eight years, the water rushing down the creek will be in a channel toward the middle of the creekbed. No longer will Putah Creek Road be in danger.

(Reach Barry Eberling at beberling@dailyrepublic.net)

DISASTER

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that jeopardize current use and replacing it with some pie in the sky ideas. As Summers and Summers conclude, the inescapable conclusion is that Reclamation's real reasons for its proposal are non-economic. They appear to be based on special interest groups and ideological whims. They seem to be meeting the needs of environmentalists who want hiking and kayaking while ignoring the skiers, fishermen and families that having been "coming to the lake" for years. Rather than pitting these long-term and short term users against one another, Reclamation should celebrate the fact that Berryessa can accommodate all types of visitors and activities. Rather than destroy a

business that is thriving and serving its customers well, it should look for an area that needs and wants a houseboat rental center or a hotel or whatever, and work with the business person to incorporate that need into a feasible plan. Yes, Lake Berryessa is a vast beautiful area with seven small resorts that have served the public well over the past 40 years. These resorts cover approximately 12 miles of the 170 miles of shoreline. The Bureau of Reclamation can take what is at Berryessa and build upon it to make it better or it can wantonly attack the resorts, trampling property rights and ignoring years of service to the public. The Bureau can respect the current users such as Markley's boating customers while it encourages new customers by working with the resorts

to make improvements and develop new facilities or it can ignore our current customers and suggest that other customers are somehow better or more desirable. The Bureau of Reclamation can be a catalyst for positive change or it can cause the breakdown of the entire area and create an economic disaster for the city of Winters along with it. At Markley Cove, we have attempted to work with the Bureau for 18 years. We have survived droughts and recessions. We have made significant financial and emotional investments. Our resort is not perfect, there is room for improvement, but we have certainly tried to serve our customers well and we have paid for everything we've done out of our own pocket. The other resort owners are in the same situation. We have made these invest-

ments, yet it seems like we are the enemy and the special interest groups have the Bureau eating out of their hand. The saddest part of our entire business history at Lake Berryessa is that after 18 years we can not trust the Bureau to do the right thing for us as business people, for you as a customer or for the city of Winters that relies on the sales revenue generated from the lake customers. I do know that on this Saturday the Bureau of Reclamation has to face your city council and answer their questions. I also know there will be congressional staff from Washington D.C. observing this exchange and trying to determine for themselves whether the Bureau is giving straight answers or whether it is more smoke and mirrors. Hopefully, you will take the time to come and see for yourself.

What's up with wine?



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio
Corinne Martinez of Berryessa Gap Vineyards discusses the winery's selections at the Rotary Wine & Food Jubilee, held at St. Anthony Parish Hall on Friday, Nov. 11. Berryessa Gap Vineyards won several awards at the 2005 California State Fair, and recently celebrated the one-year anniversary of its Main Street tasting room. There will be an open house at the tasting room on Saturday, Nov. 19, 12-6 p.m. The public is invited.

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plans there will be the same number of boat launch ramps as there are today, and although three small areas on the western shore may be designated as "no motor areas," 95 percent of the lake will still be open to motor boats. Revenue from sales of gasoline is likely to increase as the new recreational opportunities attract new visitors. Winters already has restaurants that cause those of us who travel through periodically to strategically plan our

transit time to justify stopping for a meal. These restaurants could see more customers from the extended season at the lake. To the extent the lake begins to attract visitors from farther away, Winters could benefit from the development of overnight accommodations to serve those scheduled to pick up a houseboat in the morning, or looking for a place to stay at the end of a vacation before starting the long drive home. As the last stop for gas or substantial provisions for those with reservations at the new cabins to be developed at the lake, there will be even more

reason to spend time and money in Winters on the way there. In addition, cabins, motels and other public serving facilities will require more employees than the private vacation sites and limited public amenities available today. As a gateway community, Winters residents are well-placed to take advantage of the increase in jobs at the lake. The new concessionaire at Pleasure Cove, which is interested in bidding on being the new concessionaire at the lake once the current contracts expire, already has two full-time employees who are Winters residents,

and over the summer they employed five more. Developing Markley Cove into a houseboat center for the whole lake will likely increase employment needs there. The bad news is that the status quo interests are opposing redevelopment. A redeveloped Lake Berryessa will provide Winters residents with a myriad of new local recreation opportunities, more employment opportunities, and the potential for new economic benefits. With these potential benefits at stake, Winters has a substantial interest in the redevelopment.

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Sports

Warriors come back too late in first round loss

By ERIC AND LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Winters Warriors varsity football team lost to Lassen High School in the first round of the Division II north section playoffs for the second year in a row on Friday, Nov. 11, by a score of 20-34. The Warriors gave up two quick touchdowns before they could complete an offensive series. Early in the first quarter, the Warriors found themselves down 0-14 until Nathanael Lucero used a devastating block from Bruce Hoskins to spring him 55-yards down the sideline for a Warrior touchdown. The PAT was blocked but the Warriors

closed the gap to 6-14. Still not finding the answer to stopping the Grizzlies offense, the Warriors allowed another touchdown before the first period ended. “We were not filling the holes like we were supposed to,” said coach Brad Burton. “We were reading the play and getting trapped instead of filling.” Early in the second quarter, Danny Campos did what he has been doing all season long for the Warriors — he broke four tackles and sprinted 83-yards down the field for a touchdown. Nick Hedrick kicked the PAT to give the Warriors 13 points at the half but the Warriors had given up two more scores to make

it a 13-34 game. After realizing that they could be playing the last game of the season and for some their last high school football game, the Warriors came out and played an impressive second half. “I was very proud of our second half performance,” Burton said. “We played with a lot of intensity.” The Warriors’ next score came off of what some of the Warrior players and coaching staff called Campos’s most impressive run of the season. After being hit by eight players, Campos spun out of the pile and darted 37-yards for a Warrior touchdown. “That kid is amazing,” Burton said. “I was ready

to call the next play thinking he was down, then I looked up and he was gone.” Hedrick kicked the PAT to make it a 20-34 score. The Warriors held the Grizzlies scoreless in the second half, but were unable to close the gap as the clock ran out. Campos ended the night with 176-yards on 18 carries and two touchdowns, and had two catches for 33-yards. Lucero had one carry for 55 yards and a touchdown. Brenden Benson carried the ball three times for 13 yards, while Robert Warren had three carries for nine-yards. Joe Norfolk completed three of seven passes for 37-yards, and John Avellar caught one pass for four yards.

Jr. Midgets fall 6-18 in championship game

By ERIC AND LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Winters Jr. Warriors Jr. Midget football team traveled to West Valley High School in Cottonwood on Saturday, Nov. 12, to play Willows in the NorCalFed Division II state championship game. The Coyotes scored on two long touchdown runs in their first three plays to take an early 0-12 lead over the Warriors. Winters regrouped and put together a long drive that was capped off by a three-yard touchdown run from Brandon Keuhn. The PAT failed but the Warriors seemed to take the momentum of the game away from Willows. After stopping the Coyotes late in the third quarter, the Warriors once again put together

a long drive that seemed to end in another touchdown for Winters, but the play was called back on a penalty. “We thought it was the right call during the game,” said coach Rick Grunert. “But after watching the film it was apparent that the ref made the call after the hit and assumed it was a block in the back. That’s just the way it goes sometimes.” That seemed to take the wind out of the sails for the Warriors as they were unable to put the ball in the end zone again. Willows scored one more time on another long run that would put the score at 6-18. The Warriors ended the season with a 10-2 record and a co-championship of the southern conference. This

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Courtesy photo
The Winters Earthquakes include, from left, (front) Hector Carrillo, Jose A. Mejia, Brandon Barajas, Raul I. Lopez, Jose M. Santana, Jacob Ivory, Robert Fenili, Luis Salcedo, Adolfo Sandria, Mauricio Hernandez and Jonathan Guerrero; (back) coach Jose R. Ramirez and assistant coach Jose C. Mejia.

Earthquakes go undefeated in season, tournament

The Winters Earthquakes won both the AYSO U10 Boys fall season and the Regional AYSO Soccer Tournament 2005. The U10 Boys group includes boys ranging in

age from 9-10 years old. A total of 28 teams from Rio Linda, Davis and Winters participated in the tournament. The Winters Earthquakes won all six games in the tournament,

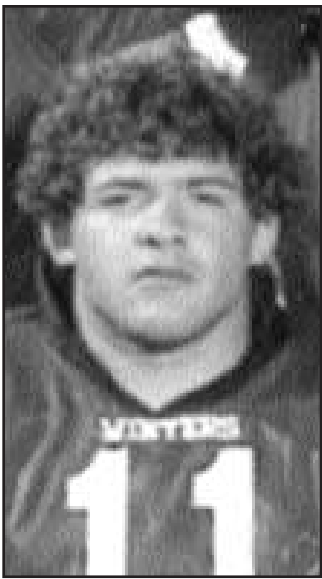
which was held in Davis, as well as all eight of their fall season games. The boys were congratulated on their outstanding achievement in going undefeated 14 straight games.

Basketball camp seeking applicants

Young basketball fans are invited to attend a one-day basketball training camp at the high school gym directed by Natalie Cooley. Cooley, a high school student and member of the Girl’s Varsity basketball team, is sponsoring the event as part of her senior project and has already coached the Winters Middle School cross-country team. The camp is open to boys and girls from 5th to 8th grade, though only 30

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Danny Campos

Danny Campos, the senior running back for the Winters High School varsity football team is this week’s Winters Express athlete of the week. Not very often will the same person be named athlete of the week more than once in the same season but this time we must make an exception. In last Friday, night’s playoff loss to Lassen, Campos not only rushed for 176-yards with two touchdown runs of 37 and 83-yards, he ended the season with an unofficial total of 1833-yards on 189 carries and 20 touchdowns setting a new Winters High School rushing record for a single season. Campos also led the Warriors in tackles through the regular season with 86.

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EVENTOS Y COMENTARIOS HISPANOS

Alto a los berrinches

La madurez de los votantes latinos, fue fundamental para la arrolladora derrota de las cuatro propuestas apoyadas fuertemente por el gobernador Arnold Schwarzenegger y una Red nacional de donantes del Partido Republicano. En un estrepitoso suceso, las proposiciones 73, 74, 75, 76 y 77 fueron derrotadas. Esperamos que esto concluya el estilo de “berrinches” que ha caracterizado la administración del gobernador hasta la fecha. Y que de una vez por todas se decida a trabajar por todos los residentes de California.

Ahora arrinconado por el electorado de California, podrá seguir en Sacramento y negociar con la Legislatura de mayoría democrática o bien fracasará en su breve papel de actuación como un gobernador capacitándose en el cargo. El gobernador recaudó grandes cantidades de contribuciones para la campaña, sumas de cinco mil, 10 mil y 25 mil dólares de grupos de intereses especiales en todo el país e igual fracasó.

Su incompetencia fue clave para esta clara derrota. En vez de hablar directamente a los votantes, sus organizadores preparan casi todos los eventos, llenándolos con dóciles partidarios republicanos de derecha.

Los latinos jugaron un papel fundamental para rechazar la cínica estrategia de las elecciones extraordinarias promovidas por el Partido Republicano. De hecho, el precio de 50 millones de dólares fue un factor crucial del descuento de los votantes. Toda la agenda del gobernador Schwarzenegger fue derrotada por una campaña ordenada y eficaz dirigida por enfermeros, docentes y bomberos.

Los principales ganadores fueron Fabián Núñez, presidente de la Asamblea, el alcalde Antonio Villaraigosa y el renaciente movimiento laboral de California. Esto claramente establece a ambos líderes como los favoritos para futuras campañas para el Senado de Estados Unidos y el cargo de gobernador.

Los votantes latinos se están convirtiendo rápidamente en un factor crítico en todas las elecciones de California, contando con la disciplina para comprender el impacto de estas propuestas y el creciente aumento de votantes que ejercen su derecho. La ascendencia política de los latinos, como resultado de un creciente número de votantes por más de una década, abre la puerta a una agenda de política pública orientada a las familias de clase obrera y a sus reclamos económicos.

El legado de la Proposición 187 oscureció estas elecciones extraordinarias. Pete Wilson, cuyo antiguo personal rodea al gobernador, orquestó un ataque directo contra el Partido Demócrata en California. Los neoconservadores presentaron iniciativas para aumentar el poder del gobernador y reestructurar los distritos con la esperanza no sólo de que

California fuera otra vez republicana, sin también de lograr que se adoptaran medidas semejantes en otros estados después de la victoria.

La estrategia de estas elecciones extraordinarias de engañar a los votantes creyendo firmemente que no acudirían suficientes personas a las urnas a comienzos de noviembre falló. Los obreros enterraron al gobernador en dos medidas clave, la Proposición 75 y la Proposición 74. De hecho, la Proposición 74 contra los docentes podría haber resultado en más docentes malos y más gastos por despidos. ¿Por qué? Porque los estudiantes universitarios están comenzando a rechazar esta carrera debido a la baja paga, la falta de apoyo estatal y las demás opciones de carreras. Los distritos escolares se tendrían que conformar con los restos, buenos o malos.

Los votantes de California repudiaron en forma colectiva un intento claro por obtener más poder en el proceso presupuestario (Proposición 76) y en la redistribución de los distritos electorales (Proposición 77).

El daño al futuro de la carrera del gobernador y a su capacidad para aprobar la legislación está sustancialmente venido a menos. El público ya no lo ve como un reformista de centro. Es solamente la última versión de un Pete Wilson racista de derecha.

En la campaña electoral para gobernador del año próximo, quizás Schwarzenegger no sobreviviera el desafío si continúa perdiendo popularidad en las encuestas hasta la primavera. Los continuos intentos de Pete Wilson por forzar diferencias políticas en los votantes en vez de negociaciones justas en Sacramento han probado una vez más ser la receta del fracaso para los republicanos. Ahora los republicanos se conocen como el partido que quiere instigar la crisis, el caos, la división en la política estatal y poco más.

La juventud política debe resurgir como una consideración política central y no simbólica en Sacramento y en el gobierno municipal. Sin embargo, el estado debe liderar con financiación y programas. Fabián Núñez, al celebrar la victoria, cristalizó esta agenda al decir: “California es el Estado Dorado, un estado donde todos los ciudadanos deben compartir la riqueza de esta región”.

El fracaso del Partido Republicano nacional y del gobernador Schwarzenegger al querer engañar a los californianos con estas elecciones extraordinarias costosas e innecesarias constituye una oportunidad histórica para el liderazgo democrático latino para lograr finalmente el control de los cargos políticamente más poderosos en el estado: el cargo de gobernador y las bancadas en el Senado federal. Con la arrolladora derrota de toda la agenda republicana, el futuro es ahora.

Mas hispanos al ejercito

Las Fuerzas Armadas de Estados Unidos, especialmente el Ejército y la Infantería de Marina, enfrentadas a una escasez de soldados recurren cada vez más a jóvenes pobres, hispanos y con menores niveles de educación. Durante décadas, las fuerzas armadas han sido una vía de ascenso social porque ofrecen a los jóvenes ayuda para la educación, pero las cifras de alistamiento muestran que, por ejemplo, ha disminuido la proporción de negros a medida que ha aumentado el descontento popular por la guerra en Irak.

El teniente coronel retirado de las fuerzas especiales del Ejército Laird Anderson dijo que el Pentágono ha prolongado demasiado el despliegue de tropas de EU en Irak y otras partes del mundo y “no nos explican de dónde sacarán ‘tropas frescas’ si se necesitan más”.

Anderson, uno de tantos expertos militares que desde 2003 han sostenido que el Pentágono nunca envió suficientes tropas a Irak, cree que no se restablecerá en EU el servicio militar obligatorio, cancelado en 1971, pero no es claro de dónde vendrán los nuevos reclutas. Un estudio del “National Priorities Project”, un grupo no partidista con sede en el estado de Massachusetts, da en parte la respuesta de dónde provienen los soldados que EU precisa para sus prolongadas guerras contra el terrorismo.

Casi dos tercios de los voluntarios alistados en el

Ejército (terrestre) en el período fiscal 2004 provinieron de condados en los cuales el ingreso medio de los hogares está por debajo de la media del todo el país. En el período fiscal 2005, que concluyó el 30 de septiembre pasado, el Ejército obtuvo sólo el 90 por ciento de los 80.000 voluntarios que esperaba alistar en todo el país.

Se trata del peor año para el Ejército desde 1999, pero en la empobrecida región de Martinsville (Virginia) los reclutadores firmaron casi el 95 por ciento de su meta. En todo Estados Unidos, el promedio de alistados fue de 2,74 por cada 1.000 personas de entre 18 y 24 años. Pero en los 20 condados con mayor proporción de voluntarios los índices de alistamiento van desde 10 (condado Howard, en Nebraska) al 21,6 (condado Mineral, en Montana) por cada 1.000 jóvenes.

Mientras que el índice nacional de pobreza es del 12,1 por ciento, en varios de esos condados el índice de pobreza va del 17 por ciento, en el condado Iron (Misuri), al 30,3 por ciento en el condado Hudspeth (Texas). Para llenar sus filas, en el período fiscal 2005 el Ejército aceptó al contingente de voluntarios con menores niveles de educación en una década. Sólo el 87 por ciento de los voluntarios había terminado la escuela secundaria.

En el conjunto de las cuatro fuerzas armadas -Ejército de Tierra, Infantería de Marina, Fuerza Aérea y Marina de Guerra- ha disminuido el número de voluntarios

negros, y algunos expertos vinculan esto con el poco respaldo que hay entre los negros de EU para la guerra en Irak. Según la Oficina del Censo, en 2000 los negros eran el 12,3 por ciento de la población de EEUU, y en 2004 eran el 12,8 por ciento, sin embargo la proporción de soldados negros en las fuerzas armadas ha bajado sustancialmente en ese período.

Esa reducción es más notable precisamente en las dos ramas más expuestas al combate y que han sufrido los mayores números de bajas. En el Ejército, la proporción de negros bajó del 23,3 al 14,2 por ciento, y en la Infantería de Marina del 12,8 al 8,1 por ciento. Simultáneamente la proporción de hispanos ha subido del 10,5 al 13,2 por ciento.

“Ahora vemos que hay familias que se oponen” a las ofertas de los reclutadores”, dijo el mayor Dave Greismer, portavoz del Mando de Reclutamiento de la Infantería de Marina. “Lo que hacemos es trabajar más con los padres”. Greismer reconoció que ahora los reclutadores tienen que realizar hasta cuatro visitas para persuadir a los padres de menores de 18 años a que acepten las ofertas, cuando antes “bastaba una visita”. Las cifras también sugieren que, cada vez más, quienes se alistan ya no son los adolescentes salidos de la secundaria, sino hombres y mujeres jóvenes que no encuentran empleo en ninguna otra parte después de algunos años.

¿Y ahora que sigue Gobernador?

Tras el fracaso de las propuestas de Arnold Schwarzenegger en las elecciones especiales de California, la pregunta ahora es qué hará un gobernador que vinculó el éxito en estos comicios a sus planes de reelección. Los 300 millones de dólares, una cifra récord, que en total costaron las elecciones especiales que se celebraron el martes en California han servido de poco, por no decir de nada. Las ocho medidas sobre las que decidieron los votantes (cuatro de ellas propuestas por Schwarzenegger) han salido derrotadas.

El golpe más grande se lo lleva, por supuesto, el gobernador, para quien este referéndum especial era también la rampa de salida hacia la campaña para su reelección por otros cuatro años, en los comicios de 2006.

A pesar de los siete millones de dólares que se gastó de su propio bolsillo, una intensa campaña en la que echó toda la carne en el asador y la apuesta en firme que realizó por su llamado “programa de reformas”, Schwarzenegger no fue capaz de conquistar a los californianos con ninguna de sus propuestas.

El gobernador fracasó en la

iniciativa central, la que le habría dado más poder para manejar los presupuestos generales del estado y limitar el crecimiento de los gastos públicos. Tampoco salió adelante una medida que busca dificultar a los maestros de escuelas públicas la consecución de una plaza fija.

Los votantes echaron por tierra la iniciativa que busca que un equipo de tres jueces retirados, en lugar de los legisladores, como en la actualidad, se hagan cargo del diseño del mapa electoral, así como la medida que requiere que los sindicatos obtengan un permiso individual de sus miembros cuando quieran destinar dinero a causas políticas.

Esta última propuesta puso en contra de Schwarzenegger a los bomberos, enfermeras y policías de California, que lanzaron hace meses una agresiva campaña televisiva contra el gobernador.

Schwarzenegger tiene por delante un panorama de lo más oscuro: su imagen y su autoridad han quedado vapuleadas, los votantes están cansados tras unos comicios que se consideran un gran derroche, y el cinis-

mo se ha extendido por todo el estado. O sea, casi una vuelta al clima de desesperanza en el que se inició el proceso de destitución del gobernador demócrata Gray Davis, y que concluyó con las tumultuosas elecciones que llevaron al poder a Schwarzenegger.

La derrota da alas a sus oponentes demócratas, que ahora pueden emplearse a fondo contra un gobernador a quien se ve como un republicano más en un estado dominado por los demócratas.

Muchos de los problemas se los buscó el propio gobernador, como cuando llamó “mariquitas” a los legisladores o dijo que iba a “dar una patada en el trasero” a las enfermeras (utilizó una palabra mucho más grosera), y desató la ira de unos y otros. Schwarzenegger permitió, además, que sus oponentes convirtiesen estas elecciones en una especie de referéndum sobre el gobernador, en lugar de centrarse en las ideas que representan las iniciativas.

Amnistia del año 2005

Los Códigos de Construcción de California requieren un honorario de investigación, el cual se cobrará aparte del permiso, cuando un trabajo que requiere permiso se ha comenzado sin primero haber obtenido el permiso requerido. Si Ud. or alguien conocido a hecho algún trabajo sin obtener el permiso de construcción apropiado, esta es la ultima oportunidad de ahorrarse estos costos de investigación. Después del 30 de Junio 2006, el honorario de investigación se impondrá estrictamente al doble del costo del permiso de construcción requerido. Todos los dueños que

entregan una solicitud para un permiso de construcción antes del 30 de Junio, 2006. El trabajo se puede completar como Dueño Constructor o por un Contratista Con Licencia.

La Cuidad de Winters a aprobado este programa para pomover activamente vecindarios mejorados, aumentar valores de propiedades, y mejorar las condiciones de vida.

Llame al Departamento de Construcción de la Cuidad de Winters al 795-3586, ext. 117 para mas asistencia. Gene Ashdown, Jefe de Inspección de Construcción.

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HappyThanksgiving.

Food, clothing closet hours

St. Anthony Catholic Church operates a food and clothing closet behind the parish hall at 511 Main Street. The hours are Mondays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information about the closet, or to make a monetary or other donation, call Dawn at the St. Anthony office, 795-

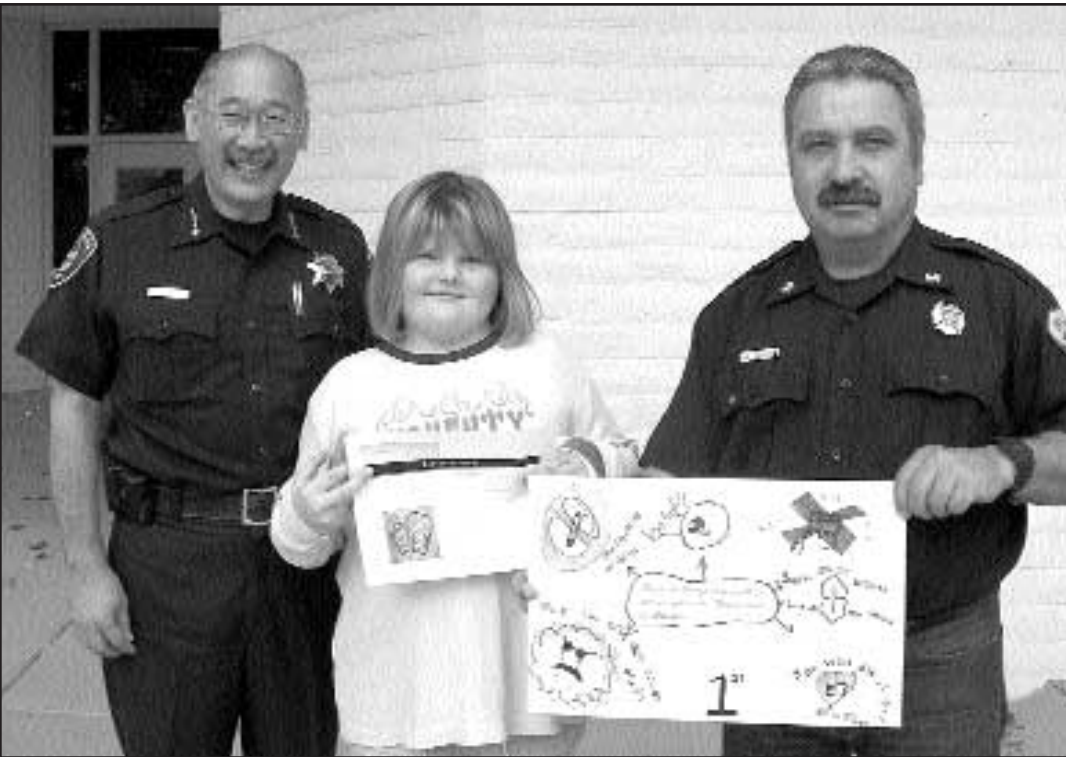
2230. The closet does not accept large furniture or appliances.

The First Baptist Church also operates a food closet, which is open on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to noon. The church is located at First and Baker streets.

For more information, call Juanita Tilden, 795-2394.

Schools

Contest winners honored



Courtesy photo
Winters Middle School student Kayla Baird won first place in the Red Ribbon Week Poster contest sponsored by the Winters police and fire departments. Prizes were supplied locally by Warrior Video and The Winters Police Officers Association. The posters were judged by the police and fire Chiefs. From left are Winters Police Chief Bruce Muramoto, Baird and Winters Fire Chief Scott Dozier.



Courtesy photo
Shirley Rominger Intermediate School student Marlen Guzman won first place in the Red Ribbon Week Poster contest sponsored by the Winters police and fire departments. Prizes were supplied locally by Warrior Video and The Winters Police Officers Association. The posters were judged by the police and fire Chiefs. From left are Principal Kate Helfrich, Winters Police Chief Bruce Muramoto, Guzman and Winters Fire Chief Scott Dozier.

Restructuring, pool closure on next school board agenda

The Winters School Board will meet on Thursday, Nov. 17, at 6 p.m. in the Walnut Room at the district office, located at the corner of Grant and Taylor. The following items are on the agenda:

- ~ Recognition of school board member Russ Lester.
- ~ Recognition of Wolfskill High School student Juan Valeriano.
- ~ Recognition of community member Gayle McLevich.
- ~ Recognition of the following school district employees for their hard work and dedication: Kathy Colagrassi, Mele Echiburu, Woody Fridae, Yisenia Gonzalez, Laurie Lane, Sue Neander, Andi Sidun, Jeff Sims, Nancy Somers and Don Waldron.
- ~ Board workshop regarding district restructuring and expenditure reductions (6:30-8 p.m.)
- ~ Public hearing to consider the revised School Facilities Needs Analysis Study. The school district will consider implementing and establishing facilities fees for residential construction of \$2.91 per square foot; 36 cents per square foot for commercial/industrial construction; and 6 cents per square foot for self-rental storage.
- ~ Communication and reports.

Action items

- ~ Revised Local Education Agency (LEA) plan implementation report.
- ~ Closing the achievement gap.
- ~ Revised School Facilities Needs Analysis Study and resolution adopting a needs analysis and establishing school facility fees.
- ~ Recommendation to close existing swimming pool and develop a new pool.
- ~ Request for qualification process for Winters

See AGENDA on page B-5

Winters High School activities for November 2005

By NICOLE RHEUBY
Special to the Express

There have been many activities happening at Winters High School lately. The Student Government class organized the Kids Can! canned food drive, where each third period class competed to bring in the most cans of food for the needy. Gloria McCreary's class prevailed, and will have their choice of a pizza or ice cream party. In total, Winters High School students collected 650 cans.

Red Ribbon Week was Oct. 24-28, instead of the same red ribbons that the students receive every year, the Student Government class purchased red ribbon bracelets. The bracelets were only \$1, and for every day that a student wore the bracelet, they received one ticket toward the raffle for an iPod Shuffle. At the Oct. 28 rally, Rebecca Lopez was picked as the winner.

The students are now looking forward to the

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Conservation Corps hiring now in Sacramento

The California Conservation Corps is holding weekly Sacramento information sessions for young people interested in joining the outdoor program.

The sessions are scheduled for each Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the CCC's Sacramento headquarters, 1719 24th Street (across from the 23rd Street light rail station).

Parents are welcome to attend.

The Corps hires young people between the ages of 18 and 25 for a year of natural resource work and emergency response. In-

terested applicants should bring a photo ID and Social Security card or birth certificate to the information session.

See CORPS on page B-5



In The Spotlight

Andrew Pisani and William Halbach attend Winters Community Christian School. Andrew is in Pre-Kindergarten and is in Mrs. Kemsley's class. He is a hard worker, always careful, friendly and very enthusiastic.

William is in the second grade and is in Mrs. Bosse's class. He is friendly, is good in math and science and loves to worship the Lord.



Andrew Pisani (L) and William Halbach (R)



WINTERS COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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Features

Pain may be fibromyalgia

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My life is being ruined by fibromyalgia. Two doctors tell me I have it. I have asked them many questions, but their answers are evasive. I want to know how the diagnosis is made and what can be done for it. Very little is being done for me. — V.T.

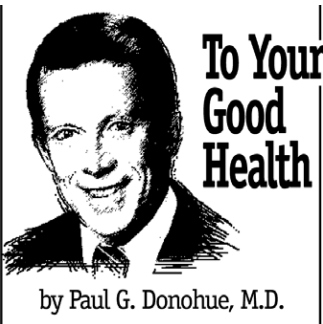
ANSWER: Although people complained of fibromyalgia symptoms for eons, it did not get a name until the late 1980s. Since then it has been recognized as a common disorder, with up to 4 percent of the population suffering from it. Its most salient feature is generalized muscle pain. People say they hurt all over. The pain disrupts sleep, leaving people tired all day. Chronic fatigue, therefore, is another important feature.

Its cause has yet to be identified.

There is no lab test that can nail down the diagnosis, and that can make recognition of the condition difficult. Many lab tests are routinely ordered for fibromyalgia complaints, but their value lies in excluding other illnesses with similar symptoms. Arthritis, lupus, muscle inflammation and a sluggish thyroid gland are examples of disorders that can be mistaken for fibromyalgia.

Upon examining a patient, the doctor finds little wrong except for tender points. These are 18 well-mapped-out spots on the body where pressure with the thumb — not excessive, but enough to blanch the thumbnail — elicits pain far out of proportion with the pressure applied. If a person has 11 of those 18 points, that strongly suggests the diagnosis.

No single treatment provides a cure. Gabapentin is a commonly prescribed medicine for this condition. Amitriptyline taken before going to bed might restore refreshing sleep. Sometimes, when it is used with a muscle relaxant, the pain eases. But muscle relaxants on their own rarely work. Exercise is a must. That



by Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

sounds counterintuitive for someone with pain, but you start off gently. Water aerobics, for example, are a good start. The tempo of exercise picks up gradually each week.

The fibromyalgia booklet explains this illness in detail. To obtain a copy, write: Dr. Donohue — No. 305W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6.75 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Red wine is said to be beneficial for one's health. Is there any correlation between the price of the wine and the benefit it confers? Most days I drink a glass of economical table wine that suits my taste just fine. I'm not a wine connoisseur. Would I benefit from pricier wines? — M.W.

ANSWER: The cheap stuff is just as good as the more expensive kinds. Although many say that red wine is the only alcoholic beverage that serves to prevent heart attacks and strokes, others say all alcoholic drinks — in moderation — confer the same protection. Moderation is one drink a day for women and two for men.

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 at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or www.rbmamall.com. (c) 2005 North America Synd., Inc. All Rights Reserved

Remembering those good old days

It's a funny thing, getting old. You begin to feel so old-fashioned. All those things that you thought were so important when you were young — taking your hat off indoors, opening a door for a friend, saying please and thank you — nobody gives a damn any more. It wasn't so long ago, in the good old days, people were ashamed of double standards, ashamed of lying. Has it changed? Is America more willing to accept double dealing and half-truths in private and in public?

Take torture, something that we were all raised to believe was terrible and unacceptable. Given the events at Abu Ghraib and Guantanamo Bay, the Senate has passed the McCain bill by a 90 to 9 vote to prohibit all forms of torture by the CIA and the military — something an old timer might take for granted. You never saw John Wayne torture anyone. But now, the current White House tenant has threatened to veto the McCain bill and thereby formally sanction torture by government paid employees. Is it old-fashioned to believe that torture would not be used by a civilized society? Remember Bush's rallying cry against Clinton in the 2000 election? He would "bring dignity back to the White House."

There was time when those in the administration were assumed to be protecting American citizens and American interests. How can that be true though when Lewis Libby, Dick Cheney's former chief-of-staff, has been charged with obstruction of justice, perjury and making false statements to a federal grand jury surrounding circumstances over the exposure of Valerie Plame, a CIA operative. Libby, an architect of many of the administrations' foreign policy peccadilloes, is extremely



AL VALLECILLO AND TIM CARO

OUTSIDE THE BOX

close to the vice president. Very, very close. Libby has been behind almost every international decision since the Bush team came to office. Indeed, underneath this scandal lies the bigger canvas of how the Bush White House manufactured and manipulated intelligence in order to bolster its case for the war in Iraq.

To do this, steps were taken to discredit anyone who dared to challenge the President's drive to an illegal war. When diplomat Joseph Wilson accused the Bush administration of manipulating intelligence to support military action against Iraq, someone leaked the identity of Wilson's wife, Valerie, a CIA operative. Libby has become the prime suspect in leaking her identity to the press for political purposes and in the process nullifying her and her colleagues' work in monitoring proliferation of nuclear weapons. Does it seem old-fashioned to expect that government officials don't "cook the books" for war? To not threaten national security?

Then there's that issue of fairness. Our old-fashioned view of government taught us to expect that the two political parties represented the fairness of a democracy. However, nowadays, put a candidate forward for a judicial post and Republicans champion the maxim of giving the candidate a straight up or down vote in the Senate and in the House. No filibustering, please.

This has been the Republican Congress' cry for federal judgeship nominations since 2000. Sounds so

fair and square. But when Bush puts his crony, Harriet Miers, up for the Supreme Court nomination, his base found that she wasn't quite on the straight and narrow in regards to her conservative credentials. So they scuttled her nomination. What happened to giving the President's choice a fair hearing? Even the President must have raised an eyebrow when he found he was being undermined by his own right wing, known for their conservative and honorable values.

Are you ashamed to hear the Right parrot fairness when it works for them, but torpedo giving someone a fair hearing when it doesn't? Get over it, you're out of date; consistency was a personal quality that went out of fashion years ago.

Let's not be naïve. No modern politician, regardless of their flavor is squeaky clean. But in today's modern world, old values like honor, truth, chivalry seem so, well, old. At some point in history these traits were important, so much so that there is recognition and desire for these virtues to live on in our collective memory. This is in part why conservatives are conformist, old-school, traditional and conventional. But nowadays the Left sounds so much more old-fashioned than the Right.

Pleased to meet you



Name: Elba Angel
Occupation: Freshman at Winters High School
Hobby: Soccer
What's best about living in Winters: "The people — how friendly they are."
Fun fact: Hopes to be a nurse some day.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your ruling planet, Mars, allows you to assume a sense of command that can help you turn a chaotic workplace situation into one that's orderly, productive and, yes, even friendly. TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Getting a relationship that's been stuck in a rut up and running again depends on how far you want to run with it. Be honest with yourself as you consider which decision to make. GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be wary of rumors that seem to be coming from everywhere this week. Waiting for the facts before you act means never having to say you're sorry you followed the wrong lead. CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A difficult personal matter might prompt you to turn to a trusted friend to help you sort through a maze of emotional conflicts. The weekend should bring some welcome news. LEO (July 23 to August 22) Some of the new people coming into the Lion's life could play pivotal roles in future personal and professional matters. Meanwhile, an old friend might have an important message.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A delay in getting things moving on schedule can be a blessing in disguise. Use this extra time to do more research so you can buttress any of the weaker points with solid facts.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might need to get involved in a personal matter before it becomes a serious problem. Also be wary of someone offering to mediate unless you can be sure of his or her motives.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Taking sides in a workplace or domestic dispute could prolong the problem. Stay out and stay cool. Then you can be friends with both parties when things settle down.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A friendship has the potential to become something more, and with this week's aspects favoring romance, you might feel that this possibility is worth exploring.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The new job you want might require you to relocate. If so, keep an open mind and weigh all the positives and negatives before making your decision.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A new relationship seems to be everything you could have hoped for. Congratulations. Meanwhile, it's not too early to get some feedback on that new project you're working on.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might have decided to get out of the fast-moving current and just float around hither and yon for a while. But you might find that the new opportunity is too tempting to turn down.

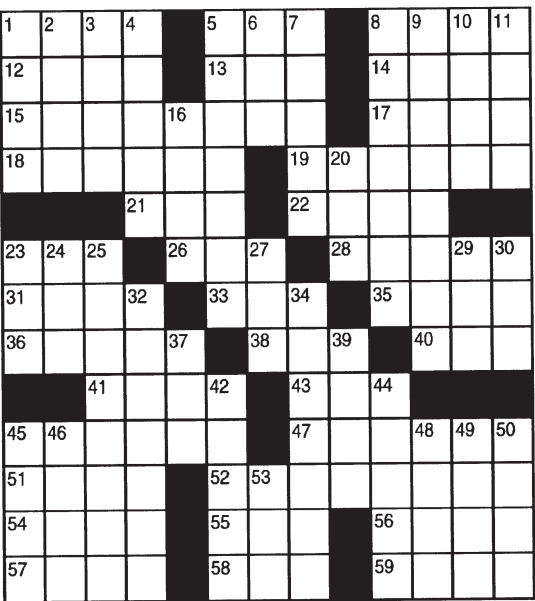
BORN THIS WEEK: You believe in bringing out the best in people with kind deeds, loving words and recognition of their "special" selves.

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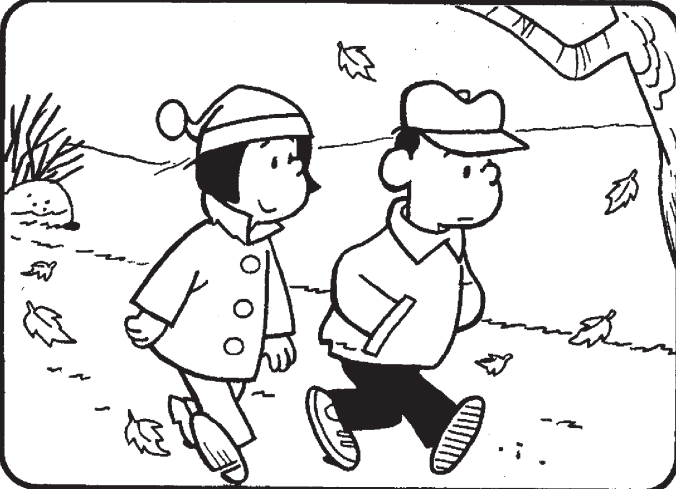
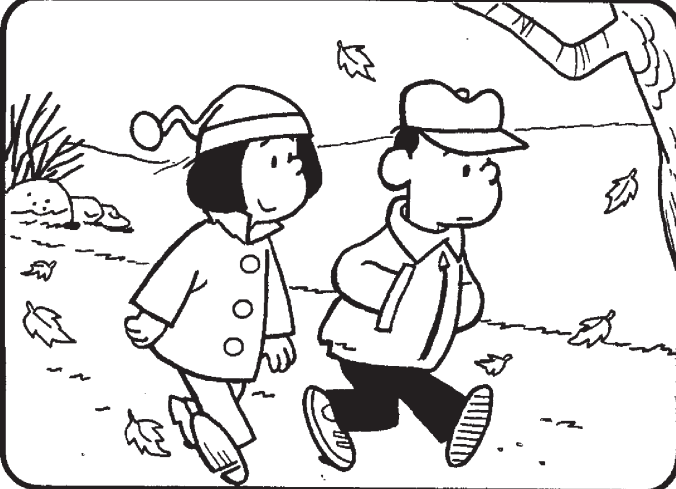


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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.

Differences: 1. Rocks are missing. 2. Tassel is shorter. 3. Hair is different. 4. Pocket is missing. 5. Zipper is missing. 6. Leg is moved.

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King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.



Honor earned



Courtesy photo
At the recent World Gold Cup Open Tae Kwon Do Tournament held at the Recreation Hall on the UC Davis campus, Damon Burke competed in the eight year-old sparring division and was awarded a third place medal. Damon is a student of Javier Martial Arts.

Winters schools benefit from Yolo Community grants

By GLORIA DUNCAN
Special to the Express

Yolo Community Foundation (YCF) has awarded 60 grants totaling \$25,371 to 26 Yolo County schools, more than double the 2004 awards. Teachers from elementary schools in Davis, Woodland, West Sacramento, Winters and Esparto will receive grants up to \$500 for a variety of classroom projects and materials focusing on language arts, science, art, theater, music, math, social studies and technology.

Winters students at Waggoner Elementary School, Shirley Rominger Intermediate School and John Clayton Kinder School will receive eight grants worth \$3,485 for classroom projects. An artist-in-residence program with singer/songwriter Linda Book will give Robbi Otten's third grade class at Waggoner six weeks of music appreciation and instruction. Other grants to Waggoner include phonetic book collections for Angie Velasquez's first grade dual immersion classes and Spanish English books and video for the second and third grade dual immersion classes of Laurie Garibay and Fiorella Mendoza.

Shirley Rominger teacher Dave Paratore will receive materials to address fourth grade physical and earth science standards, and colleague Lynne Secrist will be able to provide drum sets, rhythm and movement books and other music tools for her fourth and fifth graders. Dual immersion kindergarten students of Lucilia Escamilla and Leslie Olaya at John Clayton will receive a phonetic book collection in Spanish and a classroom library.

This is the second year of the YCF Partners in Education mini-grant program which provides funding directly to primary education teachers to enable them to pursue curriculum-enhancing projects and experiences for their students. Thanks to additional funding from the Jerrold B. Whitney/Clayton Pinkerton Fund of the Sacramento Region Community Foundation and a \$15,000 grant from the Frank H. and Eva B. Buck Foundation of Vacaville, YCF was able to substantially increase the number of grants this year. The 2004 program awarded 27 grants, totaling \$10,885 to Yolo county teachers.

"We are so pleased that

we could join with the Sacramento Region Community Foundation's mini-grant program this year," said Margaret Burns, YCF board president. "Through their Whitney/Pinkerton Fund, which is designated to purchase literary or humanities books, they were able to provide nearly \$6,000 in additional funding for this year's mini-grant program. We look forward to working with them on other projects of mutual interest that will benefit our county."

Acknowledging the support of the Frank H. and Eva B. Buck Foundation of Vacaville, Burns added, "We are most grateful for the generosity of the Buck Foundation and for their continuing focus on education in all its aspects. Their grant to YCF will help us give our teachers some of the help they need."

Yolo Community Foundation is a nonprofit charitable organization formed in 2002. It is a vehicle for community philanthropy that enables individuals of both modest means and significant wealth to contribute to a permanent endowment for the people of Yolo County.

For more information, go to www.yolocf.org.

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winter formal dance, which will be put on by the

senior class on Saturday, Nov. 19. This year's theme is "Wonderful Tonight." Thanksgiving break is Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Nov. 23-25.

AGENDA

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High School pool.
~ Consent agenda (approved as one item, includes

minutes, warrants, etc.)

~ Closed session to discuss student expulsion cases 05/06-4 and 05/06-5, and to discuss negotiations with the Winters Area Education Association, the California School

Employees Association Chapter #694 and the Winters Area Pupil Personnel Services Unit.

~ Reconvene to open session to discuss any action taken during closed session.

CORPS

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Along with the age requirement, corpsmem-

bers must be California residents and not on probation or parole. Applicants who sign up at a Wednesday session can often be a part of the CCC within a few weeks.

For more information about the Sacramento sessions or to schedule an appointment, contact Sacramento recruiter Charlene Tapia at 916-341-3266.

CAMP

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positions are available so applicants are encouraged to register as soon as possible. The camp will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Nov. 19, and lunch will be

provided. A \$20 cost is required for each participant; proceeds will be donated to the Winters High School basketball program.

To register or to request more information, call Natalie Cooley at 304-9400.

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was the first Winters Jr. Midget team to make it to the championship game since Frank Ramos started the Winters association in 1996.

The Warriors offense was led by running backs Jacob Lucero, Darian Flores, Tony Breaver and Keuhn, and linemen Max Barbosa, Mikey Esquibel, Dakota Pots, Joe Dyer, Joe

McIntire, Tyler Fellows, Jared Ramos and Louis Ayon.

Defensively, the Warriors had some strong play from Tim Breckinridge, Ray Puebla, Chris Hurst, Princeton Leslie, Chris Renaux, Sterling Cole, Ed Latimer, Kyle Grunert, Roman Reyes, Kelly Callison and Robert Wilcox. Unable to play because of injuries were Mikey Evans, Nick McCoy, Chris Calderon and Emma Young.

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Yard Sales

FLEA MARKET this Sat., Nov. 19, at Travis Credit Union Park (behind the old Nut Tree). Garage sale items, collectibles, etc. and car/boat swap. Reserve your booth before noon Friday. Call 795-0128 or 707-429-5852 for info/reservation.

Garage sale, 112 Colby Lane, Sat. Nov. 19, 8:30-3:30. Shoes, clothes, appliances, knick-knacks & more.

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Winters Sr. Apartments

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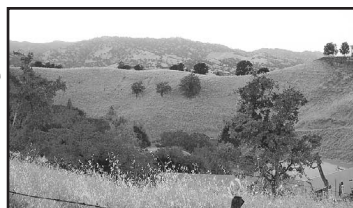
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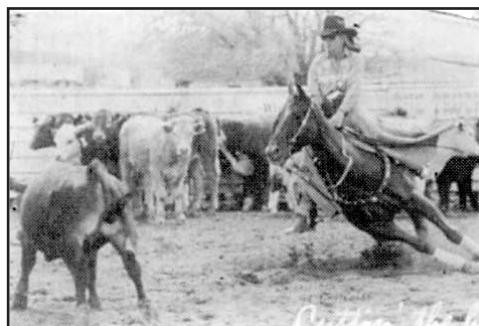
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