

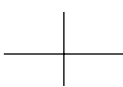


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## Who is this?



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The hometown paper of Charlene Tanski

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## Warriors win tourney

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Jacqueline and Tony Avellar lease out these trees on their website, [www.myalmondtree.com](http://www.myalmondtree.com)

## Got nuts?

◆ Almond lovers can lease their own tree in Winters

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO  
Express editor

You don't need an almond ranch to enjoy your very own crop of nuts. You can harvest your own almonds on your own tree and, best of all, you can get someone else to do all the work. The most strenuous thing you'll have to do to get this crop of your own is write out a check. And, you might not even have to do that.

Although the sons of Jacqueline and Tony Avellar disagree about whose idea it first was to lease out their almond trees one at a time, it was their parents who made the idea a reality. Tony says he put his toe in the tree-leasing water on eBay at first, of-

fering a tree's worth of almonds for a mere \$25.

"My son said, 'You're crazy! You have to get at least \$50,'" says Tony.

Rather than continuing with the eBay angle, Tony decided that his own website would be a better venue for his trees, and started offering them online at [www.myalmondtree.com](http://www.myalmondtree.com) for \$75 each. However the eBay experience wasn't totally for naught, because he learned how to let his customers pay for their trees with PayPal, an online payment service that allows people to send money back and forth and make payments for purchases on the Internet.

What do you get for your money? Whatever your tree produces for a one-year production cycle, which starts in the fall af-

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## Planners discuss zoning changes

By DAWN VAN DYKE  
Express city editor

During a brief meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 29, the Winters Planning Commission discussed various changes proposed to the city's Zoning Ordinance.

Community Development Director Dan Sokolow had suggested making the changes in order to comply with certain requirements that were made during adoption of the city's Housing Ordinance. The first change is to drop the requirement for a conditional use permit for multi-family projects in the R-3 and R-4 zones of the city. The second change is to revise the minimum requirements for secondary dwelling units and to decrease the setback requirement for secondary dwelling units constructed above a garage or as a detached accessory structure. The third change would per-

mit construction of transitional and farm worker housing in the R-3 and R-4 zones on a conditional use permit basis.

The final proposed change came about as a result of a proposed use in the downtown business district; it would establish an artisan permitted use in the C-2 zone.

Sokolow told the planners the proposed zoning changes would have to be brought back to the January meeting. After initially placing the items on the agenda, he discovered that according to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) the changes would require at least an Initial Study and possibly a Negative Declaration of Environmental Impact.

With regard to the housing changes, Sokolow told the planners the city wants to encourage con-

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## All I want...

Photos by Dawn Van Dyke  
Wes Bryan (above) gives some serious thought to his Christmas wish this year. He visited with Santa Claus at the Winters Friends of the Library annual Holiday Family Festival, held at the Community Center on Saturday, Dec. 3.  
At left, Sienna Anguay (front) and A.J. Walton enjoy some holiday cookies. In addition to Santa, the annual event featured performers, craft tables, a book sale and goodies to snack on.

## City council will meet

The Winters City Council will meet only once this month, on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall.

The following items are on the agenda:

- ~ Second reading and approval of ordinance adopting the Hudson/Ogando development agreement and ordinance for the City Public

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## FUTURE SUBSCRIBERS

**THOMAS EDWARD DUARTE** was born on Nov. 21, 2005 to parents Cara and Ted Duarte of Winters, at Sutter Solano Medical Center in Vallejo. He weighed 7 pounds and was 21.5 inches long at birth. He joins a sister, Madison. Grandparents are Ray Duarte of Redding, Dixie Hicks of Williams, and Donald and Fran Simino of Colusa.

**JUAN DIEGO CASILLAS** is the new son of Araceli Leon and Hector Casillas, of Winters. Born on Monday, Dec. 5, at 4:15 p.m. at Kaiser Hospital in Sacramento, he weighed 8 pounds, 10 ounces and was 21 inches long. He joins an older sister, Selena Leon Bass, age 8. Maternal grandparents are Shelly Sarro Tieso and the late Douglas M. Tieso. Maternal great-grandparents are Bill and Helga McMenomey, all of Winters. Paternal grandparents are Angie and Guadalupe Casillas. Paternal great-grandparents Ramona Valenzuela and the late Carlos Valenzuela.

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OBITUARIES

Richard J. “Dick” Romney

Dick Romney, of Etna, passed away on Friday, Dec. 2, 2005, after a long and happy life. He was born in 1927 in Idaho Falls, Idaho. He and his wife, of 56 years, Joanne, chose to make their home in the Scott Valley after living in Winters for 25 years. Before their move, Dick loved vacationing in the Trinity Alps, bird hunting and sport fishing. An outgoing, people-loving person, Dick was an avid member of the Scott Valley Car Pals, the Etna Lions, and a regular for morning coffee at the Etna Deli.

His lifelong love of cars in particular, and all things automotive, led Dick to a career in the truck equipment industry. He founded and ran Pac Power, Inc. in Dixon, for many years. Dick was president of the National Truck Equipment Association (NTEA).

He served in the Army, 7th Infantry, in Korea and graduated with a bachelor of science in business, from the University of Utah.

Dick is survived by his wife, Joanne; son Rick and his wife, Jiley Romney and their children Dustin, Jamieson, Jordan and Kaely Romney; daughter Cathy and her husband Alan Zimmerman and their children, Ben and Dan Zimmerman, and Dick's brother, George J. Romney, and his wife, Joanne.

A Veteran's service will be held on Friday, Dec. 9, 2005 at noon at the Ft. Jones Cemetery, followed by food and refreshments at 4736 So. Kidder Loop.

In lieu of flowers, the Romney family requests that donations be made to Dachshund Rescue in Dick's name.

Contact Daisy Buchaignani by email at [weebdox@ups.net](mailto:weebdox@ups.net) or 916-362-6974, for details.

In Remembrance

**In memory of Edward “Eddy” Safreed. 11/29/04**

It's been one year since you left us, but you'll live on in our hearts forever.

To our wonderful husband, father, grandpa, brother, in-law, uncle, and friend.

We miss and love you!

Bette, Melinda, Travis, Aaron, Dustin Jr., Trevor, Esmeralda, Karen, Troy, Monica, and all your extended family and friends.

Winters weekly police report

- Oct. 27**

~ On the first block of Main Street, a fraudulent check was passed at a business. Loss: \$164.
- Nov. 2**

~ On the 1000 block of Adams Lane, an unlocked vehicle was entered and keys were taken. The keys were used to enter the locked camper shell on the vehicle and property was stolen. Loss: approximately \$3,000.
- Nov. 4**

~ On the 400 block of Main Street, an attempt was made to puncture tires of a vehicle with a spike strip. The case was forwarded to the district attorney for complaint.
- Nov. 14**

~ On the 600 block of Foxglove Circle, a rock was thrown at a residential window causing it to break.
- Nov. 15**

~ A 16-year-old Winters juvenile was westbound on Anderson Avenue and made a right turn onto the circle driveway at the Middle School. Jason Jeffery McMillian, 28, of Natomas was traveling westbound on Anderson Avenue. As McMillian approached the driveway, the juvenile made a U-turn, proceeded back onto Anderson Avenue and collided with McMillian's vehicle.
- Nov. 15-18**

~ On the 400 block of Russell Street, window screens were torn in an attempt to gain entry to a residence.
- Nov. 16**

~ A 17-year-old Winters juvenile was issued a notice to appear for making a turning movement without using a turn signal, failing to drive on the right side of the roadway and driving without a driver's license.
- Nov. 17-18**

~ On the 800 block of Railroad Avenue, a fence was cut to gain access to property.
- Nov. 17**

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

~ Two 13-year-old Winters juveniles was arrested for using words likely to provoke a fight. The juveniles were booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.
- Nov. 18**

~ Eduardo Jimenez, 19, of Winters was arrested for shooting a firearm on a public highway (County Road 90 west of I-505). Jimenez was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

~ Kelcey Darius Leverett, 30, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license and having an inoperable headlight on the vehicle.

~ On the 100 block of Almeria Place, a vehicle was vandalized.
- Nov. 19**

~ Juan Jose Gonzalez-Tafolla, 27, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for failing to stop at a stoplight, being an unlicensed driver and having an open container of an alcoholic beverage inside the vehicle.
- See **POLICE** on page A-7

YESTERYEAR



File photo by Kim Orendor

Members of the Winters High School junior varsity volleyball team in the fall of 1994 are (front row, left to right) Irma Arellano, Andrea Rodriguez, Leah Petrillo, Megan Mariani, Lisa Carbahal; (back row, l-r) Lacey Mikulich, Tanya Kozin, Rosalia Cruz, Erin Delfrefice and Sharon Stephenson.

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December 17, 1970

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YEARS AGO

December 15, 1955

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December 13, 1940

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YEARS AGO

December 15, 1905

The Yolo County Legal Aid Society, in behalf of four Winters area families, “and all others similarly situated”, last Friday filed a lawsuit in the Yolo County Superior Court in Woodland to compel the Winters School District to re-establish bus service.

The Valley Almond Growers Co-op has installed a small canning machine for roasted almonds. It is being handled by Ernie Gates and Mrs. Frank Ramos.

Winters Police Chief Richard Washabaugh reminded residents this week that a city ordinance prohibits the parking of any vehicle on any street or alley for more than 120 consecutive hours.

At the regular meeting of the Winters School Board Monday evening, Superintendent James Bernardy administered the oath of office to John Schmucker, who was elected to the board in a special election to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation last summer of Ed Neel.

Coach John Kemmerer's Winters High School Warriors edged East Nicolaus 59 to 57 in a league basketball game on the winner's court Friday night. Rod Willard scored 23 points and Jody Ogando hit 17.

East Nicolaus downed Winters Junior Warriors Friday night by a score of 66 to 59. Phil Snow dropped in 20 points and Marty Willard scored 18.

In a double ring ceremony on Saturday, December 5, in the College Avenue Baptist Church, Modesto, Miss Christine Elizabeth Weaver became the bride of Roy Clinton Jones.

Funeral services for Joseph Raines Griffin, 74, a lifelong resident of the Winters area, were held yesterday afternoon at Kraft Bros. Mortuary, in Woodland.

Bids on the first section of the Putah South Canal will be opened in the Winters office of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation on January 5, according to B.P. Bellport. The canal will be 38 miles long, and the section open for bids is 6 miles.

Voters of the Winters Elementary School District will go to the polls next Monday to decide the fate of a proposed \$112,000 bond issue which would construct a new school on the property recently purchased by the district at the west end of Baker Street.

Pfc. Charles J. Dodge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Dodge of this city, is serving at the Marine Corps Air Station, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

John Greenwood, president of Friendship Circle of the First Christian Church, entertained the Circle at her home Monday evening. Hostesses were Mrs. Wayne S. Ireland and Mrs. J.R. Sellers.

Rev. and Mrs. Arnold Dockery attended the San Francisco Ballet's performance of “Nutcracker” last night at the Sacramento Memorial Auditorium.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Invernon, Misses Armida and Pilar Invernon, Miss Betty Pallo and Jim Russell went to Sacramento Tuesday evening to hear the Symphonic Wind Ensemble at Sacramento State College. Louis Invernon, of Winters, was a member of the ensemble.

In a property transaction recorded in Woodland last week, E.F. Gardner purchased property near Winters from Alfonso F. and Margaret E. Geerts for an indicated \$9,000.

The Russell Street cottage of the late Mrs. Hazel Nehring was sold last week to Lee Conaster.

Kenneth Thurber and friend Ray Fortney of Hamilton Field were weekend visitors at the Thurber ranch.

H.U. Rice was a business visitor for the first of the week in San Francisco, returning home yesterday.

Eddie Baker accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Karl Karnopp and son Charles on their homeward trip to Waukegan, Illinois, leaving the first of the week. Eddie plans to return in a new car, that he will purchase in Flint, Michigan.

The new fire engine purchased from the Buffalo Co. arrived by train about 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Word came Wednesday that the engine had arrived in Sacramento and quite an assemblage gathered at the depot on its arrival in Winters.

The newly organized Winters town basketball team, under the management of Eddie Baker, consists of Baker, “Buzz” Connor, Russ Perry, Elwin Martin, Tony Medina, Pat Jennings, “Bunky” Errington, Mariano Lopez, Cliff Perkins, Lloyd Adams, Lee Thornhill, Jim Barker and Jack Mermod.

Miss Dorothy Day came over from Davis Ag. College Monday evening to assist in the Service Club dinner table service.

Dr. and Mrs. Leon Mermod and daughters, of San Francisco were Sunday guests with Mrs. L.M. Mermod.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ayers arrived Tuesday from Yokohama, Japan. They plan permanent residence in the U.S. because of troublesome times in the Orient where they have lived for more than 20 years.

Fire reports

**Nov. 29**

~ 700 block of Hill Place, public assistance.

**Nov. 30**

~ 100 East Grant Avenue, fire alarm.

**Dec. 1**

~ Valley Oak Drive at McArthur Avenue, medical aid for a crime victim.

~ East Main Street at East Baker Street, public assistance for a vehicle lock out.

**Dec. 2**

~ Interstate 505 at County Road 29-A, truck fire.

~ Haven Street at Abbey Street, public assistance.

**Dec. 4**

~ Pleasants Valley, three miles south of Putah Creek Road, mutual aid for a motorcycle down.

~ Fredericks Drive, medical aid for a person bleeding from the leg.

At the last stated meeting of the Buckeye Lodge F. & A.M., the following officers were reelected: J.E. Sackett, W.M.; L.A. Sackett, S.W.; F.W. Wilson, J.W.; D.H. Waughtell, treasurer. W.S. Baker was elected secretary and F.W. Wilson trustee.

The cemetery needs some work done, and it needs it bad. It is said that the condition of some of the plots is so bad that the owners cannot locate their dead.

L.H. Wilson of Santa Rosa, who recently bought the Hunter ranch, in Berryessa Valley, was in Winters Tuesday and Wednesday, on his way to Monticello.

At a meeting of the town trustees Tuesday night the resignation of W.H. Gregory as town treasurer was accepted and Dr. M.O. Wyatt was elected to fill the vacancy.

A.W. Leib, the purchaser of the Arthur Rhodes place in Pleasants Valley has arrived with his family, and they are comfortably settled in their new home.

Last Saturday was Uncle Charley Wolfe's 76th birthday. All unknown to him, Mrs. Wolfe prepared a fine turkey dinner and invited a number of friends and relatives to help him celebrate.

A fine cluster of plums hangs in W.P. Womack's window. They are from B.R. Sackett's place and are sound and good to eat. Fresh plums at Christmas times are very unusual even for the Winters early fruit district.

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# PLANNERS

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struction of secondary dwelling units where they meet the minimum requirements. He said such units, because they are smaller than conventional housing products, provide affordable housing for the community. He said some of the restrictions placed on construction of secondary housing units make it “difficult if not impossible,” to accomplish.

“Even if you can’t count it,” said Sokolow. “It does provide affordable housing.”

He was referring to the

city being able to count those housing units in the city that are deed restricted to stay affordable for a certain number of years.

For the most part the planning commission was agreeable to the changes, although they were reluctant to reduce the setbacks for two-story secondary units. They cited a desire to respect neighbor’s privacy by not constructing a housing unit that could look down into the neighbor’s yard or into their windows.

The planners recalled when the issue of artisan zoning came before them several months ago. It came up when an artist who creates one-of-a-kind

furniture using leather and metal, wanted to have a work studio in the building located at 7 East Main Street. At the time, Sokolow asked the planners for guidance since that type of business, which he could only designate as light industrial at the time, wasn’t necessarily permitted in the downtown business district.

He asked the planners for input with regard to writing a description that could be included in the Zoning Ordinance. He passed out a copy of the zoning that is used in the city of Fredericksburg, Texas. The planners agreed that they wanted to set some specific parame-

ters that could be used when this type of business comes forward in the future.

At the public hearing, Jackie Tanner encouraged the planners to ask that artisan shop-owners keep a minimum number of hours when they are open to the public. The planners agreed that public hours are a necessity to keep the downtown business district vital.

Commissioner Joe Tramountana was not present at the meeting.

The next planning commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 21, at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers at City Hall.

Getting married? Just had a baby? Earned a degree?  
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# COUNCIL

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Safety Center; adding planned development overlay; approving permit over the 13.87 residential acres for the Hudson/Ogando tentative subdivision map.

~ Review of proposed changes to the Yolo County HCP/NCCP JPA Swainson's Hawk interim mitigation fee and review of cross-jurisdictional mitigation strategy for Swainson's Hawk.

~ Resolution establishing fees, rates and charges for maintenance, replacement and repair of the city's water system and sewer system.

~ Waste Management contract agreement.

~ Park design services for Linear and Sports Parks - award of contract.

~ Lake Berryessa re-use plan.

~ Resolution approving the ERAF transfer for 2005-06.

## Senior Citizen Club news

BY MARGE SEBASTIAN  
Special to the Express

The Senior Citizen Club's November meeting/potluck was well attended and everyone had a fun afternoon.

Marge Sebastian presided over the meeting in the absence of president Dorothy Becker, who was unable to attend due to a serious injury she sustained in a fall. All the members missed Dorothy and hope she can be with them at their Christmas potluck.

A big thank you goes to Treasurer Sandy Webster for cooking the turkey and potatoes which were just super. Also thanks to Gloria Marion who made stuffing and to the rest of the members who brought dishes for the potluck.

Thank you to Marie Heilman, Rina Woddell and Dorothy Becker for their donations to the drawing. Marge Sebastian and Dorothy Becker donated all the gifts for the club's bingo.

The December meeting will be held on

Wednesday, Dec. 14 at 11:30 a.m. and ham will be served so club members are encouraged to bring a dish that goes well with ham.

Santa has promised he will pay the club a visit and members who wish to have a picture taken with Santa may do so at no cost.

Members, the club is in need of a couple of wide seat wheel chairs. If anyone has a spare one or knows someone who does, please contact Marge at 795-2228. The club will arrange to pick it up.

Planning a community event?  
Announce it in the Winters Express.  
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Gift guide-negatives



# Opinion



**DEBRA LO GUERCIO**  
**BECAUSE  
I SAY SO**

**T**HE CATHOLIC LEAGUE called off its Wal-Mart boycott, just in time for the Christmas shopping season. Whew for Wal-Mart. Seems the League got its tights in a twist after Wal-Mart selected “Happy Holidays” rather than “Merry Christmas” as its official seasonal theme. Those tights nearly twisted off at the toes after a Wal-Mart customer service employee identified only as “Kirby” responded to the League’s complaint, explaining that “Happy Holidays” more appropriately encompassed the seasonal beliefs of many religions.

Kirby’s email noted that Christmas isn’t a purely Christian holiday, but an amalgamation of various beliefs. President of the Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights Bill Donohue replied that Catholics were “grossly offended” and called for an immediate Wal-Mart boycott.

Because every penny counts when Target’s nipping at your heels, Wal-Mart reacted quickly, assuring the Catholic League that Kirby didn’t represent Wal-Mart and that his employment had terminated. That soothed ruffled Catholic feathers enough for the League to end its boycott. Which is odd, because Wal-Mart continued with its “Happy Holidays” approach, rightly citing cultural sensitivity. Moreover, Kirby’s termination didn’t change the fact that he was right.

The Catholic League can scream and shout all it wants, but it won’t change history or facts. Christmas has little to do with Christianity or Jesus. Don’t take my word for it, research the origins of Christmas anywhere: Encyclopedia Britannica, Wikipedia, the History Channel — they all reveal the same thing: Christmas was not Biblical in origin, it was created by the Roman Catholic Church in the 4th century in an attempt to obliterate pagan celebrations, and the holiday as we now know it is a blend of several cultural traditions.

Pound for pound, Christmas is more pagan than Christian. Roman pagans celebrated Saturnalia around the winter solstice long before the Church declared December 25 to be Jesus’ birthdate. Saturnalia festivities included exchanging gifts, and indulgence in food and drink. Sound familiar? According to an article on [www.historychannel.com](http://www.historychannel.com), during Saturnalia “the upper classes often celebrated the birthday of Mithra, the god of the unconquerable son, on December 25.” The article says Pope Julius I chose December 25 as Jesus’ birthdate and notes, “It is commonly believed that the Church chose this date in an effort to adopt and absorb the traditions of the pagan Saturnalia festival.”

At [www.wikipedia.com](http://www.wikipedia.com), we discover, “The Bible doesn’t explicitly state the date of Jesus’ birth, but it does give clues. Luke 2:8-14 speaks of shepherds living outdoor and tending to a flock of sheep... Scholars of the Bible have concluded that this would be an unlikely practice in the month of December, for the weather conditions would be too cold to live outside or tend to a flock of sheep, but a likely practice in the spring lambing season. In terms of historical information, we know that the census was always conducted in the springtime. Roman records of the historical figure of Jesus point to a birthdate most likely in March.”

Wikipedia concurs with the History Channel: “It has been postulated that Christians in the fourth century assigned December 25th as Christ’s birthday (and thus Christmas) because pagans already observed this day as a holiday. This would sidestep the problem of eliminating an already popular holiday while Christianizing the population.”

So, Christmas was intended not for celebrating Jesus’ birth (which, by the way, the Bible doesn’t direct us to do) but as a deliberate, calculated attempt to establish religious domination over non-Christians, or pagans. Anybody notice an echo of this in the “Happy Holidays” fracas? Centuries later, the Church is still obsessed with domination. Ditto for the Radical Religious Right.

Fact: that Christmas tree? Pagan in origin. Ditto for Yule log, mistletoe and Santa Claus. Why isn’t the Catholic League objecting to these blatantly anti-Christian symbols? Because the beloved story of Jesus’ birth has become entwined with equally beloved pagan traditions, and because Christians really, really, really want to believe that Jesus is the Reason for the Season. It’s a lovely rhyme. But it’s simply not the truth.

How was Jesus’ birth celebrated according to the Bible? He was presented with gifts. Following this example, we should do likewise. But how? It’s not like you can bring him a nice basket of frankincense. Here’s the birthday gift Jesus really wants: follow his example of kindness, charity, compassion and non-judgement toward others and, above all, love one another. He’ll appreciate that way more than a pot of myrrh. Or an Xbox from Wal-Mart.

## Remove Cheney from office first

Dear Editor,

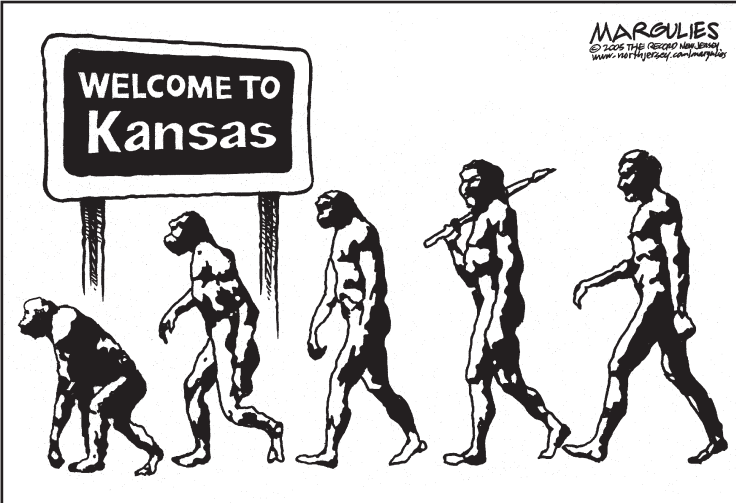
George W. Bush is not a simpleton. He knows if he gets removed from office, Dick Cheney will be his replacement, and if there’s anything worse than Bush it’s Cheney.

Richard Nixon and Daddy Bush had the same strategy — pick a bumbling idiot as vice president as insurance against impeachment and removal. Nixon had Ag-

new, Bush senior had Quayle. In Nixon’s case, Agnew was gotten rid of first so Nixon could be zeroed in on later.

Fortunately Daddy Bush did not die in office, but if Cheney becomes the president we have the worse of two evils and for this reason, attempts to force Bush out have to start with Cheney’s ouster.

**ROBERT FISCHER**



## LETTERS

### Read lake plan documents

Dear Editor,

We are sorry that previous commitments prevented us from attending the Winters Town Hall Meeting on Lake Berryessa on Nov. 19 so that we could have been there to be slandered in person and possibly been able to respond. According to the article “Hundreds Protest Lake Plan” by Dawn Van Dyke, Carol Kunze made a statement about us that was both foolish and slanderous, saying about our report analyzing the Resort Owners Plan that “if they hadn’t written that they wouldn’t have gotten paid.”

It’s foolish because an analyst wouldn’t stay in business very long if he had to sweat out the approval of his clients over every report, uncertain if he’d ever get paid. It’s also slanderous because of its baseless attack on our integrity. For the record, our integrity is not for sale.

When we were originally hired by Task Force 7 at Lake Berryessa and Citizens to Protect Lake Berryessa to analyze the BOR’s commissioned economic analysis performed by Dornbusch Associates, we knew little about each other. They presumably knew that we had a strong free-market philosophy. We knew virtually nothing about Lake Berryessa and were not at all sure who was right until we did our analysis. When we met with them, we were struck by their repeated emphasis that they were interested in our analysis regardless of its results. They had done extensive analyses of their own and were confident in the rightness of their cause.

When the Resort Owners Plan was finalized a few months later, we were asked again to examine

the economic ramifications. Obviously, we knew each other’s philosophy a bit better by then, but again they wanted an objective analysis and they knew that that is what we would give them.

Our analysis favoring the Resort Owners Plan should be discussed on its merits. Instead Ms. Kunze has taken the classic approach of demagogues who have no factual support for their position - if you can’t attack the message, attack the messenger. To our knowledge, she has never directly addressed a single fact or conclusion in our report.

Funny, she didn’t question the motives of the original Dornbusch analysis paid for by the BOR that had to go through such tortuous gyrations to say anything positive about the BOR’s preferred alternative that it was comical. Dornbusch rightly concluded that the BOR’s plan was not economically viable and could only recommend a small part of it after some very generous assumptions. Since this less-than-ringing endorsement has been pointed out by us and others, the BOR has apparently backed off using the Dornbusch report in its arguments.

We encourage everyone to read all the relevant documents in this issue, including the BOR’s Environmental Impact Statement, the Dornbusch analysis, the Resort Owners Plan, our analyses, and others. Whether or not such in-depth study is possible, you can learn a lot about an issue by the character of the supporters on either side. It’s not that hard to tell who the good guys are here.

**ADAM B. SUMMERS and  
MICHAEL R. SUMMERS**

### Rising water rates all his fault

Dear Editor:

I apologize for the increase in water rates in Winters; it might be partly my fault. You see, I sometimes inadvertently over-water my lawn, and one of my faucets leaks a little bit. My washing machine and dishwasher are sometimes run without a full load. I know my toilet has a running leak, possibly the seal has gunk that could be wiped away.

But I’m not charged for my water usage. In fact, no one is Winters is charged. So until I am metered, the usage due to leaks and inefficient use will continue. Winters has a fixed cost to supplying water, and a variable cost. It is this variable cost that my usage effects, and it will not be reduced until metered. My apologies.

**JOSEPH McCABE**

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**CHARLES R. WALLACE**  
**A QUICK  
OPINION**

**A**RE YOU FEELING THAT holiday spirit? It seems I write this column every year, but I usually get a little depressed around Christmas time. I’m not sure if it is the end of the year business blues, or just the fact that my birthday is on December 30 and I’m feeling older, and older. It could be the commercialization of Christmas and how little attention people pay to the reason we celebrate Christmas. But that has been going on for generations, so I’ll watch A Miracle on 34 Street, and feel good about Christmas for an hour or so.

In a Dear Abbey column someone complained about getting Christmas gifts that also said happy birthday. Abbey responded that they should be glad that got anything and to just say thank you. Spoken by someone born on the 4th of July. My family was pretty good about remembering that my birthday wasn’t part of Christmas, but that is another column.

I’ve thought about celebrating Hanukah, where you get to celebrate eight days, usually in December, but the end of the year blues, my Presbyterian roots, and the lack of invitations limit my involvement.

What does cheer me up is all of the Christmas lights around town. Even the City Christmas Tree at the corner of Railroad and Main looks good this year. Driving around town at night is a real treat. Some people really go overboard with thousands of lights while others have very elegant displays. All bring a smile to my face. The white lights in the downtown area brighten up an already lively night life. It’s getting a little cold at night, but it’s worth it to walk around your neighborhood just for the warm feeling.

I took a walk across the new train bridge this week. The guard rails are missing, so I don’t think it will be open for kids on bikes any time soon, but it is going to be a nice addition to our town. The other side of the creek is a lot flatter than our side, so maybe someday we’ll park at the Community Center, walk across the creek on the train bridge, walk down to the creek to a picnic area, and enjoy a nice quiet afternoon.

Think about the endless possibilities for the creek. I’ve been told that the plans for the weir at the old perk dam are progressing, and there has been little opposition to the idea of adding nature walks and public access points along the creek.

During a recent visit to the creek, I noticed that the water behind the perk dam looks deep. As a kid we used to have to watch out because sand would pile up just behind the dam. You had to walk around and find a deep enough spot if you wanted to dive in. Most of the time you could walk across the creek, in waist high water. You had to watch out for crawdads and broken glass. The crawdads you could catch and sell for a penny a piece to fishermen or take them home to be boiled. You might laugh, but for 10 cents you could buy a soda at Vasey Bros. store, and the crawdads back then looked a lot like lobsters.

Anyway. Enjoy the holidays and turn on those lights. PG&E needs the money.

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# POLICE

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**Nov. 21**

~ Derek Henry Sanders, 19, of Anderson was arrested for possessing a switchblade knife. Sanders was also arrested on an outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrant charging him with failure to appear on previous charges of driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license and failing to have vehicle registration inside the vehicle. Sanders was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear and promise to appear.

~ On the 500 block of Abbey Street, parties are

involved in a verbal domestic dispute.

~ Luis Quiroz, 22, of Winters was arrested on an outstanding Winters Police Department warrant of arrest charging him with battery and fighting in public. Quiroz was booked at Winters Police Department and transported to Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

**Nov. 22**

~ At Cottage Circle and Foxglove Circle, unknown suspect(s) lit a small grass fire in the alleyway.

**Nov. 23**

~ On the 200 block of Suffolk Place, parties were involved in a verbal domestic dispute.

~ William Austin Inman, 33, of Woodland was

arrested for driving under the influence of marijuana, possessing less than an ounce of marijuana and no proof of insurance. Inman was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

~ On the 400 block of Columbia Way, eggs were thrown at a vehicle causing only clean-up damages.

**Nov. 24**

~ Rigoberto Fieros, 19, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, being an unlicensed driver and failing to stop at a stop sign. Blood alcohol content results: .08/.07. Fieros was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to ap-

pear.

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

~ Eduardo Jimenez, 20, Winters was issued a notice to appear for driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license.

~ Benjamin Rodriguez, 21, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license and driving an unregistered vehicle. Blood alcohol content results: .14/.14. Rodriguez was also arrested on an outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrant charging him with violation of probation on previous charge of driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license. Rodriguez

was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear and promise to appear.

~ Thomas David Gilson, 52, of Winters was traveling southbound on Toyon Lane. He made an unsafe left turning movement onto Creekside Way, hit the south curb, and con-

tinued eastbound on Creekside Way. Gilson lost control of the vehicle and collided with a parked vehicle.

**Nov. 24-26**

~ At Valley Oak Drive and Kennedy Drive, eggs were thrown at a vehicle causing approximately \$500 in damage.

# NUTS

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ter the harvest. An average tree produces 7-8 pounds of shelled almonds, but it can be more or less depending on weather conditions and how well the bees do their jobs when the trees blossom. Fluctuations in the harvest are to be expected, but what if something unexpected happens to your tree — like getting knocked over by a tractor or struck by a bolt of lightning? Not to worry, the Avellars don't tell their customers, "tough luck." If something unusual happens to a customer's tree, they'll transfer the lease to a new tree.

Jacqueline explains that when someone leases a tree, it really does "belong" to them for the rest of the year, and even has the lessee's name on it. The Avellars invite their customers to come visit their trees anytime they like and see how they change as the seasons pass, from blossom to harvest. Sometimes, says Jacqueline, when customers come to visit their trees, the Avellars will join them in the orchard, share a glass of wine and talk about what it takes to farm almonds, as well as how the early missionaries introduced almonds to California.

"It's educational," says Jacqueline, adding that many of their trees have been leased as gifts. "That's why it's a nice gift for grandchildren. They can learn about farming and California history along with it."

Besides learning about farming and California

history, customers can get some first-hand experience with an almond ranch, and are welcome to come to the Avellar ranch at harvest time and knock their almonds down themselves if they wish. If not, Tony will do that job for them, adding that he knocks down the nuts by hand for all the leased trees, and shells them separately from his regular crop, most of which is sold to the Mariani Nut Co.

Tony says people from all over the country have leased trees for themselves and others, and he has customers as far away as Connecticut, Maine, Colorado and Washington. Some customers even lease several trees at once, all for themselves. When harvest comes, customers receive a set of boxed shelled nuts (usually three boxes), in whatever quantity their tree produced. The packaging and shipping are included in the cost of the lease.

Leasing a tree is easy. Just go to the website, where there's a form to fill out, and pay the fee. Lessees will receive an of-

ficial certificate, complete with a gold seal, to confirm that they are the leaseholder of one tree on the Avellar ranch. Tony says when customers lease a tree, he goes out and picks the very best ones so that, if all goes well, lessees will receive the largest crop possible. Lessees are also welcome to come pick out the trees themselves.

Throughout the year, the Avellars send newsletters to their lessees, telling them how the almond crop in general is coming along and letting them know what happens on the ranch, like when a pump breaks down and has to be repaired. Sometimes the newsletters include pretty pictures, like the sun setting over the blue hills just west of the Avellar's ranch on The Horseshoe.

News of the Avellars' almond adventures spread through the Almond Board, on which Tony sits, and they even hosted a South Korean television crew that was filming a show on almonds and how to use them in recipes. The Almond Board spon-

sored a luncheon out in the orchard for the Avellars and the Korean filmmakers and actors, and the result was televised in South Korea. The story about the Avellar almonds also made it into print in newspapers and a magazine there.

The Avellars, who have been farming Padre almonds since 1998 and have about 2,700 trees on their ranch, have been leasing trees for two years now. They had 47 customers last year and are now accepting new leases for the 2006 harvest. Since it only takes about a week to do the entire transaction and receive the official certificate, that means there's still time to lease an almond tree for a Christmas present for that person who has everything. Or for that person who's nuts about nuts.

For more information, go online to [www.myalmondtree.com](http://www.myalmondtree.com).



# Community

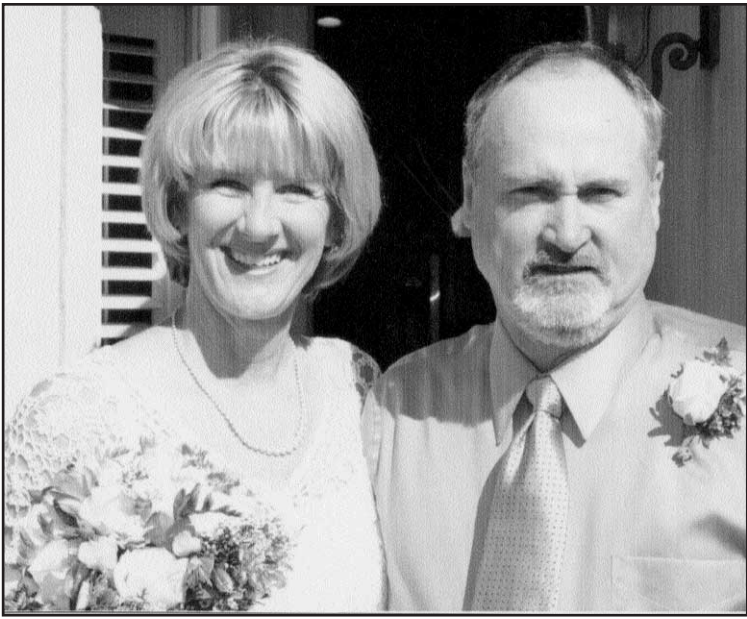
## Chambers, Gale exchange wedding vows

Winters residents Carolyn Chambers and Edward Gale became husband and wife on Saturday, Oct. 15, at 11 a.m. at the home of Shelly Pardi of Winters. Pastor Ron Pinkson officiated.

The bride was given away by her children, Carney, Catherine, Kylie and Colin Chambers. Fifty guests were in attendance, including special guests Ralph and Katherine Johnson, the groom's grandparents. Decorations for the ceremony were ivy swags with toile bows, cyclamen and ivy centerpieces, and Boston fern. Music was performed on bagpipes by Dave Parkhurst, who played traditional wedding music.

The bride wore a long white crocheted dress with a three-quarter length sleeve crocheted jacket to match, with pearls and pink opaque sequins sewn in. Her "something old" was pearls given to her as a child by her godfather, her "something new" was her dress, her "something borrowed" pearl earrings that belong to the groom's sister, and her "something blue" was her garter. The bride's bouquet was made by Susan Hale of Winters, and included pastel colored nostalgic flowers wrapped with satin ribbon and buttoned up with pearl pins on the stems.

The matron of honor was the bride's sister, Cynthia Maze of Lenoir, North Car-



CAROLYN and EDWARD GALE

olina, who wore a lavender tea-length gown with pastel flowers and a handkerchief hemline. Her bouquet matched the bride's. The bridesmaids were the bride's daughters, Catherine and Kylie Chambers, who wore white knee-length gowns with fitted waists and pink ribbons, and pink shoes. Their flowers also matched the bride's. The bride's mother wore an off-white dress with a pastel flower print and jacket, and a straw hat adorned with a pink ribbon.

The best man was the groom's brother, Chris Gale of Knights Landing. The ushers were the groom's sons, Nick and Brian Gale of Buckley, Washington, and the

bride's sons, Colin and Carney Chambers of Rathdrum, Idaho.

The reception was held at the home of Shelly Pardi. The couple will honeymoon in St. Thomas in February. They make their home in Winters.

The bride is the daughter of Margot Johnston of Winters and the late Ivan Johnston, and Carwin and Kathi Brice of Woodland. She is a 1975 Winters High School graduate, and is the office manager for Same Day Service plumbing in Winters.

The groom is the son of Eugene Gale of Winters and the late Betty Gale. He is a 1975 graduate of Winters High School and works as a night foreman at Riverview International - West Sacramento.

## Register now for basketball

The city of Winters Parks and Recreation department is once again sponsoring Youth Basketball.

Some changes to the season include the addition of 1st grade to the roster. Dec. 1 to 16, interested participants need to pick up a form from the City Clerk's side of City Hall at 318 First Street. The registration and team shirt fee is now \$30 per youth. The season begins Jan. 7.

Anyone interested in coaching may contact Karryn Doyle and Debbie Geerts at [Karryn.doyle@countrywide.com](mailto:Karryn.doyle@countrywide.com). For additional information, call Gloria Marion at 795-4910 ext. 102.

## Damon completes Navy basic training

Navy Airman Apprentice David R. Damon Jr. (Davey) son of Dave and Debbi Damon of Winters recently completed eight weeks of US Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Illinois.

Currently, Davey is en route to Pensacola, Florida, where he will receive additional training before reporting to the Atlantic Fleet aboard the USS Carl Vinson, a Nimitz class carrier.

## November 23, 2005 Happy 50th Anniversary Bill & Helga McMenomey



Love, Rick, Shelly, Laureen, Linda, Bill and Kathy

## Happy Birthday Jen



From the gang

## Winters Lions Club news

BY JUANITA RAMOS  
Special to the Express

Winters Lions Club held a blood drive on Monday, Nov. 28. A total of 34 pints were donated. The club would like to thank all those who came to the Community Center for their donation.

A special thanks to Lester Farms Bakery for their generous donation of a "Pie for a Pint" to all those who made their blood donation. Those who received their coupons for a pie, must call Lester Farms Bakery and inform them what kind of pie you prefer and when you will pick it up.

Winters Lions Club wants to thank Stan Lester for this wonderful contribution to the blood drive.

## Christmas wishes



Photo by Charles Wallace

Kindric Borchard asked Santa to grant his Christmas wish at the community tree lighting held on Monday evening.

## Herniated Disc Technology Discovered by NASA Scientists

A new free report has recently been released that reveals how breakthrough medical technology is offering new hope for sciatica sufferers. Discover how research has proven non-surgical spinal decompression 86% successful in treating debilitating back pain. Find out why astronauts don't have back pain and how NASA's accidental discovery lead to the most promising treatment today. For your free report entitled, "How Space Age Technology Is Solving Back Pain Without Drugs Or Surgery!" call 1-800-221-7172 for the toll-free 24 Hour recorded message. Supplies are limited - call now. If phone lines are busy, visit: [www.NewInfoForDiscPain.com](http://www.NewInfoForDiscPain.com).



# Entertainment

## Studio C presents ‘The Nutcracker’

Studio C School of Dance and Genesis Dance Company will present a production of Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker ballet. 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 Kreun, as Clara.

This year's show will include a raffle during intermission of each show and the auction of a handmade Nutcracker quilt signed by the cast on Sunday. Concessions this year will have a Nutcracker theme. The “Sweet Shop” will include all of the sweets featured in the Nutcracker with special treats provided for the Gala Performance on Sunday.

The production will be held at the Winters Community Center Theater in Winters, California on Saturday, Dec. 10 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., and on Sunday,



Karissa Karlen (left) and Melissa Nitzkowski display the quilt that will be auctioned off at the Dec. 11 performance of “The Nutcracker.”

Dec. 11, there will be a gala performance at 2 p.m. Advance tickets are \$10/general, \$8 student/senior and \$6 for children ages 6 and younger. Tickets are \$11/general, \$9 stu-

dent/senior and \$7/children at the door. Advance tickets are available at Studio C School of Dance. Tickets to the gala performance are \$13, \$12 and \$9 respectively.

For more information, call Tara Manners, 795-1900, email TManners@aol.com or visit our website at [www.studiocdance.com](http://www.studiocdance.com).

## Artistic gifts featured

Original arts and crafts from local and regional artists are on sale at the Pence Gallery's 3rd Annual Museum Market, which opened on Dec. 3 and runs through Dec 23. Community members are invited to enjoy the relaxed atmosphere of the gallery while saving gas by forgoing crowded shopping malls.

Participating artists include Sandy Fisher, Cheryl Wolff, Gail Rushmore, Emma Luna, Jan Schachter, Linda Miller, Eileen Hendren, and Jim Pistoki.

Gifts are available for any budget, from \$10 to \$100. Some pieces available for purchase include art glass, candle holders, ikebana containers, ceramic vases, tableware, men's and

women's knitted scarves, felted hats, silver and glass jewelry, and engravings.

The Pence Gallery's mission is to serve the community by displaying high caliber exhibitions of art and offering educational programs to visitors of all ages. Through exhibiting artists of local, national and international renown, the Pence strives to educate its visitors about the artistic and historical heritage of California.

The Pence is located at 212 D Street, Davis and is open Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 5:30 p.m. and Friday until 7 p.m. For more information, call 758-3370 or visit [www.pencegallery.org](http://www.pencegallery.org).

## American Bach Soloists to perform Handel's ‘Messiah’

George Frideric Handel's Messiah, one of the holiday season's oldest, most beloved, and most glorious musical traditions, returns to the Robert and Margrit Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts at UC Davis at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 16 and 17 The revered American Bach Soloists, whose December 2004 Messiah performances were recorded live at Mondavi Center and were recently released on CD by Delos International, will perform two full evenings of the holiday classic under the direction of esteemed conductor, singer, and UC Davis professor of Music Jeffrey Thomas.

A Christmas tradition, Handel's Messiah is probably the most popular oratorio ever written. A collection of arias, recitatives, duets, and choral pieces based on scriptural texts, the approximately two-hour-long piece contains some of the most memorable and best-loved vocal music of all time, including the famed “Hallelujah!” chorus.

Handel did his part by composing vocal music that is generally considered to be among the most sublime ever written. Arias such as “I know that my Redeemer liveth,” recitatives such as “There were shepherds,” and choral pieces such as “Glory to God” and, of course, the “Hallelujah!” chorus, are among the most well-known and most beloved in all the repertoire, and staples of the vocal performance tradition.

For their December 2004 Mondavi Center performance, Thomas and the ABS used the earliest known version of the score, and their resultant recording was the first to capture the original “manuscript” version on disc.

Soloists for this year's Mondavi Center performances will include Shawnette Sulker, soprano; Rosemarie van der Hooft, alto; Steven Tharp, tenor; William Sharp, baritone; Jesse Antin, countertenor; Clifton Massey, countertenor; and John Thiessen, trumpet.

The American Bach Soloists, named “the best American specialists in

early music” by The Washington Post, was founded in 1989 with the mission of introducing contemporary audiences to historically informed performances of the cantatas of J. S. Bach. Under the leadership of co-founder and Director Jeffrey Thomas, the group has achieved its goal of assembling the finest available vocalists and period-instrument musicians. Tickets are available from the Mondavi Center Ticket Office at 754-ARTS (2787) or online at [MondaviArts.org](http://MondaviArts.org). Tickets are \$39/\$34/\$29 for adults, \$19.50/\$17/\$14.50 for students and children.





# Court approves county’s eminent domain proceedings

By ELISABETH SHERWIN  
McNaughton Newspapers

(WOODLAND) Yolo Superior Court Judge Timothy Fall on Wednesday, Nov. 30, ruled that Yolo County may acquire the Conaway Ranch through eminent domain proceedings.

“The Yolo County Board of Supervisors applauds the court’s decision,” said Supervisor Helen Thomson of Davis, board chairwoman.

“Today’s ruling allows us to preserve the most significant remaining open space and agricultural lands in the county for the future of our county by protecting it from private land speculators and developers and keeping our water in Yolo County,” she added, speaking by phone from San Jose where she was attending the annual meeting of the California State Association of Counties.

But a spokesman for the Conaway Preservation Group, private owners of

the ranch, said the county had merely won the coin toss; the game has yet to played. Tovey Giezentanner of the Conaway Preservation Group said the county can call a time-out at any time.

“We worked at a pretrial settlement that would meet the objectives stated by the county but the supervisors would not accept private ownership,” Giezentanner said. “Just because the judge has allowed the take doesn’t mean that the county has to — it could get the assurances it wants without spending taxpayers’ dollars.”

“I would never close the door to discussing anything with anyone,” Thomson said. But she added that earlier attempts to reach a settlement were not successful.

Conaway Ranch, east of Davis and Woodland, consists of 17,300 acres of ag land and wetlands habitat and 50,000 acre-feet of valuable water rights. Last year, National

Energy & Gas Transmission, a bankrupt Maryland-based company, put Conaway Ranch up for sale in a closed-bidding process not legally open to the county as a public agency. After attempts to negotiate with NEGТ were rebuffed, the supervisors voted unanimously on July 8, 2004, to take action to protect and preserve the open space.

The board chose to initiate eminent domain proceedings, a process that includes determining fair market value of the property for which the owners would be justly compensated. Five months into the process, with full knowledge of the eminent domain proceedings, a consortium of land speculators and the Sierra Health Foundation, led by well-known developer Steve Gidaro, purchased the property from NEGТ.

Gidaro had no comment to make after the court’s ruling Wednesday.

“Had we not done all we could to acquire this

resource for public benefit, to ensure that the ranch is preserved and protected for future generations, we would have sold out the citizens of Yolo County,” Yolo County Supervisor Mike McGowan of West Sacramento said in a prepared statement.

Thomson added that the cost to Yolo County of litigating the matter and hiring consultants, which is approaching \$1 million, is acceptable.

“The high cost is worth it,” she said. The county argues that the Conaway Ranch offers countywide public interests, including water rights, water supply and water security for Yolo County landowners, residents and businesses; agricultural resources; public health and safety; local and regional flood control alternatives; open space and rural recreation; and the ability to manage natural resources for environmental purposes.

Attorney Gary Livaich argued for the defense

that the power of the government to take private property was dangerous. Time and again on Wednesday afternoon, Livaich argued that “want” is not the same as “need.”

“The county wants my client’s property — it covets Conaway Ranch,” he said. “But there must be a showing of need. There are no facts in the resolution of necessity to support need.”

But the judge ruled otherwise.

“Evidence in the administrative record is slim,” Fall said. “But that does not mean it falls beneath the standard of substantial evidence. It is not completely speculative.”

Fall ruled that the county had met its burden and should be allowed to continue the eminent domain action.

“The court will issue the right-to-take order,” he said.

The attorneys then agreed to meet on Dec. 9 to set a trial date. A jury

trial will be held to determine compensation for the landowners, but probably not until spring.

Before spectators could leave the courthouse at the conclusion of Wednesday afternoon’s hearing, two groups angered by the judge’s decision — the Yolo County Taxpayers Association and the California Alliance to Protect Private Property Rights — had produced news releases opposing the court’s action.

“No Yolo County home, family farm or small business is safe from arbitrary and capricious taking by government,” said former Republican state Sen. Jim Nielsen of the property rights group. “Yolo County may very well become the birthplace of a statewide movement to reform California’s eminent domain laws.”





# Sports

## Varsity girls win Live Oak tournament

By ERIC  
and LAURA LUCERO  
Express sports  
correspondents

The Winters High School girl's varsity basketball team has started their season with a 4-0 record and a tournament championship after traveling to Live Oak last week. The Warriors started their season on Tuesday, Nov. 29, with a 78-26 victory over visiting Esparto.

Winters put up some big numbers, led by junior Lauren Yehle with 20 points, five assists, three rebounds and three steals. Courtney Stocking had a double-double as she scored 16 points, grabbed 10 rebounds, four assists and two steals. Jenny Campos scored 10 points, had three steals, two rebounds and one assist. Natalie Cooley scored 9 points, dished out 11 assists, and had seven steals, three rebounds and a block. Rebecca Salas had 8 points, eight steals, seven rebounds and six assists. Jaclyn Stocking also had 8 points, five rebounds and a steal. Chelsea Corrales scored 5 points and had a rebound, while Brittney Allen scored 2 points for the Warriors.

On Thursday, Dec. 1, the Warriors traveled to Live Oak and took on Chester in the opening round of the tournament and won 63-35. The Warriors offense stayed consistent throughout the game as they scored 16 points in the first, third and fourth periods while scoring 15 in the second. Chester, on the other hand, started hot with 17 points in the first period then went cold in the second and third, scor-



The varsity girls basketball team won the Live Oak Tournament on Saturday. Team members included from left, (front) Natalie Cooley, Rebecca Salas and Lauren Yehle; (middle) Courtney Stocking, Jackie Stocking, Brittany-Fernandez-Allen, Chelsea Corrales, Jenny Campos, assistant coach Jeff Sims and McKenna Sims; (back) coach Matt Cooley.

ing just 2 and 4 points respectively.

Courtney Stocking led the Warriors in scoring with 19 points, six rebounds and a steal. Cooley scored 17 points, seven rebounds, six assists and six steals. Jaclyn Stocking had a double-double as she scored 11 points and had 10 rebounds and a steal. Yehle scored 5 points, had four rebounds, four steals, four assists and two blocks. Corrales scored 3 points and had two rebounds; Campos

scored 2 points, while Allen scored 2 points and had a rebound for the Warriors.

In game two on Friday, Dec. 2, the Warriors returned to Live Oak this time to take on a league rival and came home with a close 40-38 victory over Orland. This was a close game from the start. Orland outscored the Warriors 14-9 in the first period, then the Warriors outscored Orland 14-9 in the second. Winters then outscored the Trojans 9-8

and 8-7 in the final two periods to hang on to the win.

Jaclyn Stocking led the Warriors this game with 13 points, seven rebounds, one assist and one steal. Cooley had 8 points and five assists. Yehle had 6 points, three rebounds, one assist and four steals. Campos scored 5 points, had two rebounds, one assist and one steal. Salas scored 4 points, three rebounds, one assist and two steals. Corrales scored 3

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## Varsity boys win consolation trophy

By ERIC  
and LAURA LUCERO  
Express sports  
correspondents

The Winters Warriors varsity boys' basketball team may not have come home with the championship trophy of the Wheatland basketball tournament after losing to Paradise the tournament champions in the first game, but they won their next two and came home with the consolation trophy. Winters opened up with a tough game against a much taller Paradise team and lost 60-42.

"We were out of sink," said coach Jason Davis. "We had way too many turnovers."

Sebastian Salas led the Warriors in scoring with 10 points. Dominic Mandolfo scored 8 points, Jacob Thorne scored 6, Alex Jurado scored 5, Austin Crabtree and Alex Thomson each had 4, Brock Neil scored 3 and Nathanael Lucero scored 2 points for the Warriors.

In game two on Friday, Dec. 2, the Warriors didn't eliminate their turnovers but they did manage to hang on to a 49-47 victory over the Lincoln Zebras. Crabtree led the Warriors with 15 points but the Warriors didn't take the lead until 1:35 left in the game when Lucero hit a

3-pointer to put the Warriors up by one. Thomson then landed two free throws to secure the Warriors victory. Mandolfo finished the game with 8 points, Lucero followed with 7; Thorne scored 6, Thomson and Salas each scored 4, Damon Miles scored 3, while Jurado added two more for the Warriors.

On Saturday, Dec. 3, the Warriors played Highlands of Sacramento and came home with a convincing 58-48 victory. Intense defense and a fast-paced offense helped give the Warriors the lead they needed. The Warriors then managed to control the ball down the stretch as Highlands continued to threaten the lead but never got within four points in the final minutes.

"Defense has been solid all year, but it sure helps when you can make shots," Winters coach Jason Davis said. "We enabled our defense to be more effective. "They were bigger and more physical but we played better."

Mandolfo lit up the score board as he led the Warriors with 19 points. Salas scored 11, Crabtree scored 10, and Lucero had 9, while Thorne, Jurado, Miles, and Neil all put in 2 points for the Warriors.

## Varsity volleyball team



The varsity volleyball team included, from left, (back): Molly Jordan, Jaclyn Stocking, Sabrina DeVries, Courtney Stocking, Ericka Jordan and coach Maribell Chavez; (middle) Amber Johnston, Leslie Contreras, Arlett Chavez and Melissa Arnett; (front) Fabiola Hernandez and Omayra Hernandez.

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

### Natalie Cooley



Natalie Cooley, a four year point guard for the Winters High School girl's varsity basketball team, is this week's Winters Express athlete of the week. Cooley helped lead the Warriors to a 4-0 start and was named to the All Tournament team after the Warriors won the Live Oak tournament on Saturday, Dec. 3.

In the first week of play, Cooley averaged 12 points, seven assists, five steals and three rebounds.

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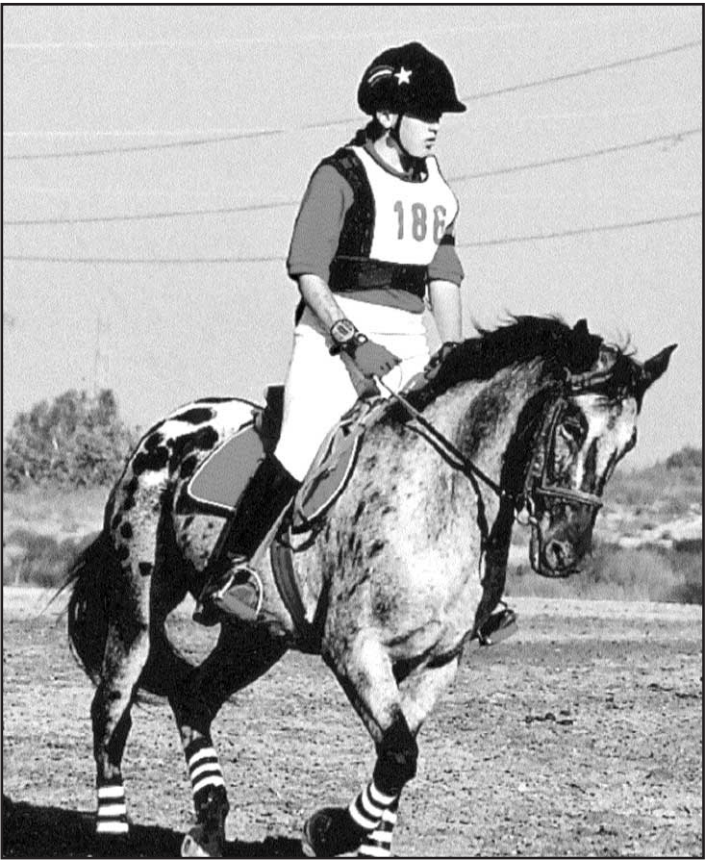
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## Pony pals



Courtesy photo  
Casey Hoffmann and Summer Lester, both of Winters, traveled to Fresno in mid November to compete in the Ram Tap Horse Trials. The girls spent three days doing cross country riding, stadium jumping and dressage. Casey and Cheers received a 1st place in their division. Summer and Tradewinds received a 4th in another division. Both girls are members of the Panache Pony Club.



## Wrestling in town this week

There are two dual meets this week for wrestling, everyone is invited to come watch and support Winters Wrestling. The Winters High School team will be at the Winters Middle School at 4 p.m. on Wednesday and the first middle school meet is Thursday at 3:45 p.m. We are looking for donations to help support Winters Wrestling. Contact Rory Linton, 795-2283 for more information.

## GIRLS

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points, while Courtney Stocking scored 1 point and pulled down 10 rebounds, one assist and two steals.

The Warriors advanced to the championship game with their victory over the Trojans and faced Corning in the final. Winters had a much easier time with the Cardinals, winning 60-36 for the championship. Cooley scored 13 points, three rebounds, five assists and six blocks. Yehle also had 13 points, two rebounds, four assists and three steals. Courtney Stocking had 12 points, six rebounds, two assists and two steals. Jaclyn Stocking had 8 points, eight rebounds, three assists and two steals. Salas had 6 points, four rebounds, two assists and two steals. Corrales had 5 points; one assist and one steal, while Campos had 3 points, four rebounds, one assist and two steals for the War-

riors.

“The old crew (Courtney, Jackie, Natalie and Lauren) is standing out,” said coach Matt Cooley. “You can tell they play together a lot. With those four, any one of them can be high any night.”

## Campos, Hedrick are all division

Danny Campos and Nick Hedrick were named to the North Section All Division II team. Campos made the team as the section's leading rusher, while Hedrick was named the team's kicker. Campos also was named to the All North Section second team.

## Cooley, Yehle make all tournament team

Natalie Cooley and Lauren Yehle were both named to the Live Oak all tournament basketball team last Saturday, Dec. 3, after leading the Warriors to a 3-0 record and the tournament championship. Cooley averaged

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# Schools



As the Christmas holiday season approaches, it is important to recognize that not all of our students and community members are as well to do as others. The location of our home, our work and the places we shop may mislead us to believe that everyone can afford a home or quality living space, that food is always on the table, and that clean and warm clothes are common place. For more students and adults than we would like to admit, this is simply not the case.

For our schools, one measure of poverty is determined by the number and percentage of students on free and reduced lunch. Currently, of our 1880 students, 790 receive a free lunch and 162 students are on reduced lunch. This means that 51 percent of our students live in households that are considered by the government to have inadequate income to meet the basic needs of the family members. The free and reduced lunch program is designed to ensure a minimum nutritional level for students so that they can concentrate on learning and not on listening to hunger pangs.

Though the quality of educational programs, including effective teachers, high expectations, appropriate textbooks and learning materials, and a safe and supportive learning environment have more of an impact on student learning than home-related factors, life at home does matter.

During the holiday season, district employees make an additional effort to reach out to our families. Through monetary donations by individual employees and employee associations, the district generates enough money to support five needy families with a tree, decorations, a gift, a present, and food gift certificates. Yes, the need is greater than the revenue we generate and the number of families we are able to help, but the efforts make a difference for these families.

I am reminded of the story of two adults walking along the ocean shore littered with starfish. One of them begins tossing starfish back into the ocean so that they can continue to live and survive. The other adult questions the value of such efforts since there are so many starfish that remain and many will die. The response is that it matters to the starfish that was returned to the water.

As we continue through this holiday season, I hope that we will all look for opportunities to support and fulfill the needs of our community members. Individually and collectively, we may not be able to meet the needs of everyone, but it will matter to those we do help. And, our students and community will be better because of it.

## School board meets Thursday

The Winters School Board meets on Thursday, Dec. 8, at 6 p.m. in the Walnut Room at the school district office, located at Taylor and Grant. The following items are on the agenda:

- ~ Organizational meeting; election of board president and board clerk, and appointment of board secretary.
- ~ Approval of dates and times of regular scheduled board meetings for the 1006/07 school year.
- ~ Board representation on district committees for 2006.
- ~ Recognition of former board member Russ Lester, 2005 board president Jay Shepherd, Winters High School student Robert Warren, and Winters High School parents Brian and Dee Cross.
- ~ Communication and reports.

**Action items**

- ~ California School Boards Association (CSBA) New Beginnings program.

- ~ Nomination for CSBA delegate assembly.
- ~ School district/Winters Area Education tentative agreement for the 1005/06 school year.
- ~ School district/Winters Pupil Personnel Services Unit tentative agreement for the 2005/06 school year.
- ~ June 30, 2005 financial statements and independent auditor's report.
- ~ Board resolution regarding budget revision.
- ~ Recommendation to close existing swimming pool at Winters High School.
- ~ Yolo County SELPA consultant's report.
- ~ Consent agenda (approved as one item, includes minutes, warrants, etc.)
- ~ Closed session to discuss employee discipline/dismissal release; and negotiations with the California School Employees Association #694.
- ~ Reconvene to open session to discuss any action taken in closed session.



Courtesy photo  
Dr. Kakutani and her daughter Rose (left) visit with Students (from left) Natalie Roberts Kane, Paige Wright and Brandon Emery.

## Dr. Kakutani gives Mr. Fridae’s class a “check up”

By ZACHARY STEWART, NIKKI HARTWELL, and JUSTIN NITSKOWSKI  
Special to the Express

Thirteen years ago, Doctor Carla Kakutani came to Winters to do her job. And on November 29, 2005, Dr. Kakutani came to room 12 of Shirley Rominger Intermediate School so the students of Mr. Fridae’s class could interview her.

Dr. Kakutani talked a lot about what it takes to be a doctor. She said that first, you must graduate high school. Then, you have to go to college (Dr. Kakutani went to U.C. Davis). To get into the next level, medical school, you have to get a bachelor’s degree or higher in at least one of your classes (Doctor Kakutani got hers in biological science).

After you graduate college you have to attend medical school for another four years (that’s like going to college for a second time). After medical school you have to do a residency; which is where you practically live in the hospital for three years! As you can see, becoming a doctor is a lot of hard work Before Dr. Kakutani was a doctor, she wanted to be a baseball umpire. She must have loved baseball. Dr. Kakutani knew she was never going to be an umpire so she took on the responsibilities of being a doctor. Dr Kakutani is a general practitioner, which means she sees families for typical medical needs. She sends patients to

## TEAM

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12.7 points, five assists, five rebounds and four steals per game, and Yehle averaged eight points, three assists, three rebounds and four steals per game.

## Grad Nite meeting rescheduled

Due to a conflict with the high school football banquet, the December Grad Nite meeting has been rescheduled to Monday, Dec. 12, at 7 p.m. at the Winters High School Library.

The group will be discussing and making plans for the major fund-raiser that will be held in March. Tickets to Senior Spirit Nite are bundled and ready to be handed out that evening. Anyone who is interested in selling tickets, but can’t make it to the meeting, can call 795-4932 or 795-2381.

## High school calendar of events

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| ~ Dec. 8: Girls basketball tournament at Pierce;          | ~ Dec. 10: Varsity boys basketball tournament at Live Oak; |
| ~ Dec. 8: Varsity boys basketball tournament at Live Oak; | ~ Dec. 10: Wrestling tournament at Woodland;               |
| ~ Dec. 8: Soccer at Pierce;                               | ~ Dec. 12: FFA Ag Leadership Speech Night;                 |
| ~ Dec. 9: Girls basketball tournament at Pierce;          | ~ Dec. 12: Boys basketball at St. Patrick’s;               |
| ~ Dec. 9: Varsity boys basketball tournament at Live Oak; | ~ Dec. 13: Winter Concert;                                 |
| ~ Dec. 10: Girls basketball tournament at Pierce;         | ~ Dec. 14: Girls basketball at John Swett;                 |
|   | ~ Dec. 16-20: Finals.                                      |

“I am not young enough to know everything.”  
Oscar Wilde



# Features

## Rest causes rapid deconditioning

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am forced to take a rest from my exercise program for about two months. How will this affect me? I have been actively training for the past 10 years and am in pretty good shape. —L.P.

ANSWER: Deconditioning occurs fairly rapidly. In the 1960s, exercise scientists conducted an experiment called The Rest and Training Study. They put young men, in their early 20s, to bed rest for three weeks. They tested the men's strength and endurance before they were put to bed and again after the three weeks in bed. As expected, the men's fitness had regressed to levels way below the levels they had possessed at the beginning of the experiment. It took these young men eight weeks of rigorous training to get themselves to the state they had been in at the beginning of this experiment.

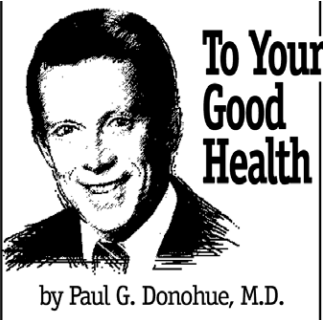
Thirty years later, the experimenters rounded up the same men, now in their 50s. During the 30 years, none had engaged in any physical training. They were mostly sedentary. Still, their level of fitness was greater than it had been after they spent those three weeks in bed rest when they were in their 20s.

The men were then put into a supervised exercise program. After six months, they had attained a state of fitness that was superior to their fitness when they were 20 and were first tested before bed rest.

Ask anyone who has had an arm or a leg in a cast. That person can tell you how much the muscles of the casted limb shrunk and how long it took to get those muscles back to their former size and strength.

The point is that inaction brings about a loss of fitness rapidly. Admittedly, most people aren't forced to take weeks of bed rest. All the same, conditioning gains are lost quickly without maintaining an exercise schedule.

There is a bright side to all this. Well-trained men and women can maintain their gains by exercising only one day a week. They will not make any im-



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provements, but they can stem the losses with one day of exercise.

The booklet on aerobics, fitness and abdominal exercises gives guidance on how stay fit and how to achieve a flat belly for both young and old. Readers can order a copy by writing Dr. Donohue — No. 1301, 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.

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DEAR DR. DONOHUE: From time to time I have trouble with insomnia. My doctor says I can overcome it with exercise. I find this hard to believe. Is there any proof for this? When is the best time to exercise to get this effect? —C.B.

ANSWER: There's lots of proof that exercise can help overcome insomnia. For one thing, it reduces anxiety, and an aroused mind is one cause of insomnia. Exercise burns energy, increases body temperature and slightly damages tissues. Sleep restores energy, lowers body temperature and facilitates tissue healing. The exercised body, therefore, pushes a person into sound sleep.

Exercise four to eight hours before bedtime.

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Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. (c) 2005 North America Syndicate All Rights Reserved

## Nuremberg revisited on 60th anniversary

Sixty years ago last month, the first Nuremberg Trial began. U.S. Supreme Court Justice Robert Jackson opened the prosecution of 21 Germans for initiating a war of aggression and for the crimes which flowed from this act. Now is a good time to reconsider some of the history and issues involved in this momentous trial in the light of the invasion and occupation of Iraq.

After Nazi Germany had been defeated, the major victorious allies (the United States, the Soviet Union, Great Britain and France) drew up a Charter establishing an International Military Tribunal as the legal basis for prosecution for three distinct categories of crimes: crimes against peace, war crimes and crimes against humanity.

The trial lasted for over a year, culminating in verdicts of guilty of one, some, or all of these crimes for 18 of the defendants. Eleven were sentenced to death.

While the Nuremberg trial is, these days, seldom invoked or discussed, it was, and still is, in the words of Tribunal President Sir Geoffrey Lawrence, "unique in the history of the jurisprudence of the world". Among the most groundbreaking aspects were the drive to formally criminalize the three categories of crimes, and to establish responsibility by individuals for these crimes.

These days, the Nuremberg Trial is chiefly remembered for the prosecution and punishment of individuals for genocide. Equally important at the time, however, was the focus on wars of aggression. Thus, the first sentence of Justice Jackson's opening statement: "The privilege of opening the first trial in history for crimes against the peace of the world imposes a grave responsibility."

Crimes against peace



PETER DYER

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and the responsibility for them were defined in Article 6, the heart of the Charter of the IMT: "The tribunal... shall have the power to try and punish persons who... whether as individuals or as members of organizations, committed any of the following crimes... (a) Crimes Against Peace, namely, planning, preparation, initiation or waging of a war of aggression or a war in violation of international treaties, agreements or assurances..."

The desire was not only to punish individuals for crimes but to set an international moral and legal precedent for the future. Indeed, before the end of 1946, the United Nations General Assembly unanimously adopted Resolution 95 (1), affirming "the principles of International Law recognized by the Charter of the Nuremberg Tribunal and the judgment of the Tribunal." And, of course, the United Nations Charter forbids armed aggression and violations of the sovereignty of any state by any other state, except in immediate self defense (Article 2, Sec. 4 and Articles 39 and 51).

Invoking the precedent set by the United States and our allies at the Nuremberg trial in 1946, there can be no doubt that the U.S. led invasion of Iraq in 2003 was a war of aggression. There was no imminent threat to our security nor to the security of the world. The invasion violated the U.N. Charter as well as U.N. Security Council Resolution #1441.

The Nuremberg precedent calls for no less than the arrest and prosecution of those individuals re-

sponsible for the invasion of Iraq, beginning with President George W. Bush, Vice President Dick Cheney, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, former Secretary of State Colin Powell and former Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz.

Those who still justify the invasion of Iraq would do well to remember the words of Justice Jackson: "Our position is that whatever grievances a nation may have, however objectionable it finds the status quo, aggressive warfare is an illegal means for settling these grievances or for altering these conditions."

And, for those who have difficulty visualizing American leaders as defendants in such a trial, Justice Jackson's words again: "... (L)et me make clear that while this law is first applied against German aggressors, the law includes, and if it is to serve a useful purpose it must condemn, aggression by any other nations, including those which sit here now in judgment... This trial represents mankind's desperate effort to apply the discipline of the law to statesmen who have used their powers of state to attack the foundations of the world's peace and to commit aggression against the rights of their neighbors."

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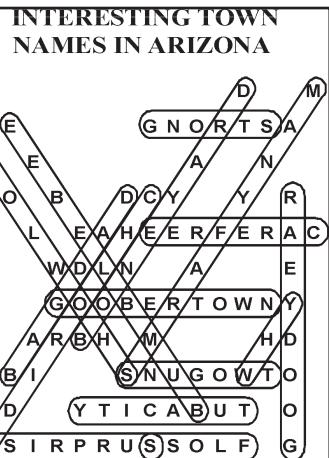
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### HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

**FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.**

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# Nuestras Noticias



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EVENTOS Y COMENTARIOS HISPANOS

## La reforma migratoria de Bush

El presidente George W. Bush se comprometió a cooperar con el Congreso para aprobar una reforma migratoria “integral”, pero reiteró que no habrá amnistía a los indocumentados porque equivale a recompensar a violadores de la ley. Bush dedicó su discurso en su programa radial de los sábados al tema de la migración al final de una semana en la que reactivó sus acciones para lograr la reforma a las leyes de inmigración, las cuales incluyeron un viaje a Arizona y otro a Texas donde presentó detalles de su plan.

“En los meses próximos, espero colaborar con el Congreso sobre una reforma de inmigración integral que hará cumplir nuestras leyes, asegurará nuestra frontera y sostendrá nuestros valores más arraigados”, señaló en su mensaje.

La Cámara de Representantes tiene previsto retomar el tema migratorio al reanudar las sesiones el 12 de diciembre, en medio de expectativas de expertos de que apruebe algún tipo de legislación antes del receso de fin de año.

El Senado estadounidense calendarizó el inicio del debate en febrero, pero será amplio que en la Cámara de Representantes pues incluirá no sólo elementos de seguridad fronteriza y cumplimiento interno de leyes migratorias, sino de legalización de trabajadores.

“La inmigración ilegal y la seguridad fronteriza son temas que preocupan a los estadounidenses. Somos una nación construida sobre el imperio de la ley, y aquellos que entran al país ilegalmente violan la ley”, indicó Bush en su mensaje radial.

Por ello señaló que su estrategia de tres puntos incluye la deportación expedita de indocumentados, mexicanos y de otras nacionalidades, “sin excepciones”.

Para los inmigrantes ilegales de México, Bush indicó que busca “ampliar un programa innovador llamado ‘repatriación al interior’ en el cual los que son capturados en la frontera son devueltos a sus ciudades de origen

lejos de la frontera”.

Destacó que es necesario mejorar el cumplimiento de las leyes en el interior del país, por lo cual se aumentará el número de agentes de cumplimiento para la inmigración, así como de investigadores criminales. “Nuestras leyes de inmigración se aplican a lo largo de Estados Unidos, y haremos cumplir esas leyes en todo nuestro país”, subrayó.

Pero Bush señaló que la reforma integral de inmigración requiere que creemos un nuevo programa de trabajador temporal que alivie la presión en la frontera pero que rechace la amnistía.

El presidente indicó que al crear un canal legal para que los empleadores dispuestos puedan contratar a trabajadores dispuestos, reduciríamos el número de trabajadores que traten de pasarse por la frontera. Bush insistió en que su programa no crearía un camino automático hacia la ciudadanía, y no ofrecería amnistía.

“Yo estoy en contra de la amnistía. Premiar a quienes violan la ley sólo serviría de aliciente a otros para que violen la ley y sigan presionando a nuestra frontera”, remarcó.

El plan de trabajo temporal de la Casa Blanca incluye permisos de trabajo hasta por seis años, después de los cuales los indocumentados deberán regresar a sus países de origen.

A diferencia del plan Bush, los senadores John McCain y Edward Kennedy promueven un plan de reforma migratoria que contempla la apertura de una ruta para que los indocumentados puedan obtener su residencia legal y, eventualmente, su ciudadanía.

## Límites de la paciencia

La palabra paciencia se convirtió la semana pasada en una de las principales del léxico político de la Casa Blanca. Paciencia pidió el presidente George W. Bush para que las tropas estadounidenses puedan retirarse de Irak. Paciencia, dijo George W. Bush, para resolver el problema de la migración, uno que el secretario de Seguridad Nacional, Michael Chertoff, definió como “un agujero en el que nos metimos por 20 años, y del que no podemos salir de la noche a la mañana”.

Pero en los dos casos, los límites de la paciencia están determinados por las elecciones legislativas de 2006, cuando deberá renovarse la Cámara de Representantes y un tercio del Senado.

Los problemas que ahora enfrenta Bush surgen en parte de lo que muchos consideran como la convicción de los republicanos de que tienen que salvar su reelección. Y si bien la lógica política indica la posibilidad de que los demócratas logren la mayoría en la Cámara Baja, la actual composición electoral apunta a que los republicanos mantendrán la mayoría.

Para hacerlo, los republicanos van a recurrir al probado truco de aparentar que hacen algo en temas como la guerra y la migración, dos de los más candentes en EU. En un caso, muchos creen que el gobierno estadounidense buscará apresurar la retirada de sus tropas de Irak, pero con base en declarar la victoria, tal como la definió Bush la pasada semana: con tropas iraquíes cada vez más a cargo de las acciones bélicas.

En el tema de migración, comienza la discusión de propuestas de ley para endurecer la vigilancia en la frontera. Es en todo caso una forma de tratar de hacer olvidar otros problemas. En un periodo de 12 años, el Partido Republicano necesitó de pasar de revolucionario a estar en medio de una serie de escándalos por corrupción y abuso de poder.

De los problemas de corrupción que se evidencian en los juicios del cabildero Jack Abramoff y las andanzas del ahora ex diputado Randy Duke Cunningham a la tramposa remodelación de distritos electorales, auspiciada por Tom DeLay, el ex líder de la mayoría republicana, podría hablarse de todo un caso por el reemplazo del partido en el poder.

Los republicanos llegan a 2006 con problemas que se reflejan en la creciente incredulidad de los estadounidenses sobre una guerra de la que ahora no se pueden deshacer con facilidad, y cuyos orígenes parecen más y más sospechosos.

Hace apenas 12 ó 13 años, los republicanos denunciaban la corruptela de los demócratas, que fueron la mayoría legislativa por décadas. Los republicanos, en su momento, prometieron reducir el tamaño del gobierno, limpiar las finanzas públicas, restaurar en otras palabras la fe de los estadounidenses en sus gobernantes. Pero con excepciones, los republicanos probaron gustar del mismo tipo de corruptela que denunciaban en los demócratas. Y eso trabaja contra la paciencia que pide Bush.

## Fiesta de Navidad para familias de niños especiales

Las familias de niños especiales de la ciudad de Winters, celebraran con los niños y familias de Woodland la fiesta Navideña. Vengan todos con la familia y amigos para que celebremos con alegría y diversión.

Bailaremos con DJ, tendremos casas de brincar, estará Santa Claus para que se tomen fotos, compartiremos la cena, y muchas cosas mas.

La fiesta navideña será el Domingo 18 de Diciembre, de las 3 de la tarde a las 8 de la noche. Venga al centro de la comunidad de Winters, será una tarde llena de alegría

La fiesta es gratis y no necesita inscribirse, solamente venga y disfrute con todos los demás, le aseguramos que pasaremos una tarde inolvidable.

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## Fiesta De La Virgen De Guadalupe

El Domingo 11de Diciembre se celebrara la misa en honor de la Virgen de Guadalupe, en el horario regular de los Domingos, a las 12:30, pero la celebración será en el Centro de San Antonio, al terminar la misa, habrá una convivencia y venta de comida, que será de tamales y combinación.

Y el lunes los esperamos a las 5:30 de la mañana para las tradicionales mañanitas, seguida por la misa a las 6:00 de la mañana, después se tendrá pan y bebidas calientes. Venga y ayúdenos a mantener vivas nuestras tradiciones.

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## Si no hay reforma migratoria, empresas se irán de EU

- El presidente de la Cámara de Comercio estadounidense, Thomas Donohue, lo expreso así en una reunión con empresarios mexicanos; y además indicó que México necesita reformas. Estados Unidos enfrenta un dilema: o aprueba una reforma migratoria con México, o sus empresas se irán a otros países, sentenció Thomas J. Donohue, presidente de la Cámara de Comercio de Estados Unidos. “Los productos que más requiere Estados Unidos son trabajadores”, dijo al participar en la Convención Nacional de la American Chamber/México.

Donohue advirtió que en Estados Unidos hay 77 millones de personas de la generación de los baby boomers, que han comenzado a jubilarse, por lo que hay más empleos que trabajadores disponibles. “Ustedes tienen los trabajadores y nosotros los empleos, entonces hagamos algo inteligente con la migración. Esto es crítico para poder competir con China”, exhortó en el evento, celebrado el martes pasado en Ciudad de México.

También planteó que el próximo presidente de México deberá indicar que el Tratado de Libre Comercio de América del Norte (TLCAN) “contará con un crecimiento de manera robusta”, y debería liberalizar el servicio transfronterizo de transporte de carga y nuevos sectores de la economía, como el de telecomunicaciones.

En las elecciones presidenciales de México, participan los candidatos Roberto Madrazo (PRI), Manuel López Obrador (PRD) y Felipe Calderón (PAN). Donohue expuso que en muchos sentidos Estados Unidos no ha podido mantener su liderazgo en la economía mundial, mientras que en México no se han dado cambios suficientes para producir más energía, flexibilizar los mercados laborales y elevar el nivel de educación.

China tiene ocho veces más graduados en ingeniería que Estados Unidos. “Ésta es una tendencia preocupante”, dijo Donohue, para luego agregar que en la economía global se requieren cada vez más científicos, inge-

nieros y programadores de computadoras. También comentó que los altos costos energéticos presionan a algunas industrias. “De las plantas químicas más grandes del mundo”, dijo, “una está en Estados Unidos y 50 están en China”.

Añadió que uno de cada cuatro coreanos tiene una conexión de alta velocidad en internet, lo que representa el doble de lo que tienen los estadounidenses. “Es muy simple: quieren competir con China, India y la Unión Europea; eliminemos estos impedimentos para vencerlos con sus mismas reglas de juego”, concluyó, ante unos 500 empresarios estadounidenses.

La Cámara de Comercio de Estados Unidos agrupa a 2,500 cámaras y tres millones de empresas en Estados Unidos, lo que la convierte en la organización empresarial más grande del mundo.

En las últimas semanas, miembros del consejo directivo de la American Chamber/México se reunieron en privado con los presidentes de los principales partidos Es-

pino, del PAN, y Mariano Palacios, del PRI. “Nos dio confianza el conocer que ningún partido desconoce la importancia de hacer las reformas”, dijo Rubin, quien estuvo presente en todas las reuniones. “Algunos iban con la idea de que iba a haber objeción en este tema, pero fue muy distinto a lo que hemos visto en el comportamiento del Congreso”. “Nosotros vimos —agregó— que hay más coincidencias de las que jamás nos imaginamos y eso nos da mucho gusto, porque quiere decir que se está cerca de dar un formidable paso para crear las mejores condiciones para competir a nivel mundial con cualquier otro país”.

La Secretaría de Economía estimó que México captará 17,600 millones de dólares de Inversión Extranjera Directa (IED) en 2006, una cifra que contrasta con las estimaciones de la American Chamber/México, que es de 12,000 millones de dólares. La semana pasada, Sergio García de Alba, secretario de Economía, desacreditó las estimaciones difundidas por Ru-

bin, argumentando que los empresarios estadounidenses mostraban un escenario pesimista para presionar hacia la aprobación de reformas en materia energética, fiscal y laboral. Rubin replicó que las estimaciones de las American Chamber/México son “conservadoras”. “Creo que hace falta lograr un consenso general en el Congreso de México para que se lleven a cabo las reformas estructurales; queremos transmitir al futuro Presidente mexicano la idea de obtener consensos rápidos”, dijo.

## Food, clothing closet hours

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## Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Winters Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on the project application as described below, beginning at 7:30 P.M. on Tuesday, December 21, 2005, or as soon as possible thereafter, in the Council Chambers, City Offices, 318 First Street, Winters, California 95694.

PROJECT LOCATION: CITYWIDE, NOT LOCATION SPECIFIC.

APPLICATION TYPE: The Planning Commission is conducting a public hearing to solicit comments regarding the establishment of a City policy to address mitigation required for development-related impacts to biological resources.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City policy would establish criteria on the location, timing, and other aspects for mitigation required for development-related impacts to biological resources. The Planning Commission will make a recommendation on the project to the City Council. The City Council will hold one or more hearings to receive the Planning Commission's recommendation, take additional testimony, and take final action on the project. Subsequent public notice of the City Council hearing(s) will be provided.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Winters, Community Development Department, 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694 or you may telephone (530) 795-4910, extension 112. In addition, a public information file is available for review at the above address between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE INVITED TO APPEAR AT THE MEETING DATE(S) IDENTIFIED ABOVE AT 7:30 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS TO COMMENT. COPIES OF ALL THE ABOVE PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS, PLANS AND THE COMPLETE FILE, CAN BE VIEWED AT THE OFFICE OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, 318 FIRST STREET, CITY HALL, AT LEAST FIVE DAYS PRIOR TO THE HEARING, OR CALL THE STAFF CONTACT PERSON AT (530) 795-4910, EXTENSION 112. ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE HEARING AND EXPRESS THEIR COMMENTS. WRITTEN COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED PRIOR TO, AT, AND DURING THE HEARING. ALL COMMENTS RECEIVED WILL BE GIVEN TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION.

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Dan Sokolow — Community Development Director

Published Dec. 8, 2005

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CITY OF WINTERS  
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PROJECT LOCATION: CALLAHAN ESTATES, ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBER 030-220-22, and HUDSON-OGANDO, ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBERS 030-430-29 and 13, RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS.

APPLICATION TYPE: The Planning Commission is conducting a public hearing to solicit comments regarding a Site Plan (Design Review) application to construct landscaping improvements at the Callahan Estates and Hudson-Ogando residential projects. Callahan Estates is generally located in the northwest area of the City of Winters. It is bounded on the north and west by the proposed Winters Highlands project. It is located between the future extension of Taylor Street and Main Street. Hudson-Ogando is located at the northwest corner of Grant Avenue (SR 128) and West Main Street, adjacent to the Winters Mobile Home Park. Situs address: 537 Grant Avenue.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Winters Investors LLC, the applicant for both projects, has submitted a Site Plan application for the landscaping plans for the Callahan Estates and Hudson-Ogando residential projects. The landscaping plans address the streetscape tree selections, the furnishings and plantings for four green spaces (park-like areas), and the furnishings and plantings for a parkway area approximately 14-feet in width on the west side of West Main Street.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the City of Winters, Community Development Department, 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694 or you may telephone (530) 795-4910, extension 114. In addition, a public information file is available for review at the above address between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays.

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FBN NUMBER 2005-1215

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Armstrong, Bonn & Feeney, LLP dba Butler & Furrier, Inc. 100 Main Street, Winters, CA 95694.

Full name of registrant(s), residence address, Holly Armstrong, 426 N. Wiget Lane, Walnut Creek, CA 94598  
Gregory M. Bonn, 426 N. Wiget Lane, Walnut Creek, CA 94598  
Patrick F. Feeney, 426 N. Wiget Lane, Walnut Creek, CA 94598  
Craig Watkins, 426 N. Wiget Lane, Walnut Creek, CA 94598

This business classification is: A Limited Partnership.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name or names listed above on Nov. 1 2005.

s/Gregory M. Bonn  
Patrick F. Feeney

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State of California, County of Yolo  
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sAva Woodard, Deputy Clerk  
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## Notice of Intent to Sell at Auction

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700-21716 of the Business & Professions Code, Section 2328 of the UCC Section 535 of the Penal Code and provisions of the Civil Code.

The undersigned will sell at a public sale by competitive bidding on the 20th day of Dec., 2005 at 11 a.m. on the premises where said property has been stored and which are located at Winters Self Storage, 807 Railroad Ave. Winters, CA County of Yolo, State of California, Bond # RED 1006865, the following:

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Dec. 8, 15

## Order to show cause

Superior Court of California, County of YOLO  
725 Court Street  
Woodland, CA 95695.

Amended ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case# PT-05-1489

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner Juana C. Cabezas has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

1. JUANA C. CABEZAS to JUANITA C. MOLINA

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

NOTICE OF HEARING  
January 25, 2006, 8:30 a.m., Dept. 11.

A copy of this ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county. WINTERS EXPRESS.

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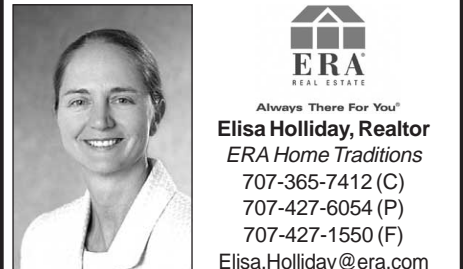
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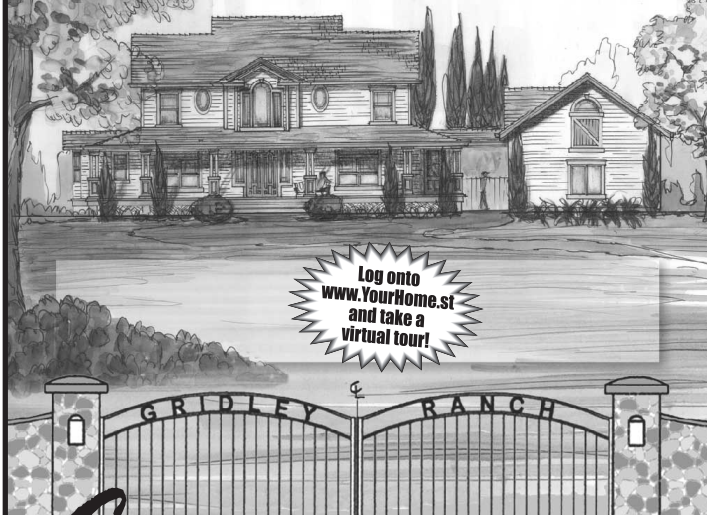


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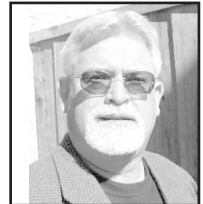
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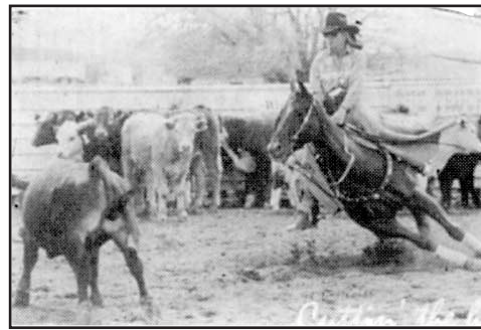
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