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Council member blasts planning commissioners

By ELLIOT LANDES
Staff Writer

The March 21 city council meeting was supposed to be short and simple with little on the agenda, but there was an eye opener at the very end.

At the end of Council Member Tom Stone's report, he said "this is a little unpleasant but it's time we scheduled a joint meeting with the planning commissioners." He said that as liaison to the planning commission he was "dis-mayed" by some of the comments commissioners had been making. He said "I sat through the March 14

meeting and was most outraged by the suggestion by a commissioner that we could only believe the developer if they moved to Winters." He also objected strongly to planners' comments that the council had not followed through on actions they had requested of the council.

He said in two instances the council had directed staff to provide action in response to the commissioners' requests and that this was in process. He said that "they are acting like big city jackasses." He asked for a joint meeting

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County releases dogs

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

Two dogs involved in the attack on two other dogs in February were released back to their owner recently, says Dale Johnson, sergeant in charge of investigations with the Yolo County Sheriff's Department. The dogs, a pit bull and mixed breed owned by Karl Thuman of Winters, attacked a golden re-

triever and lhasa apso mix owned by Karen and John Neil. The golden retriever was seriously mauled in the attack and the lhasa apso died from its wounds.

The attacking dogs, which had been running loose, were taken into custody by Yolo County Animal Control the same day and were held while an investigation was initiated. Although the investiga-

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Outstanding officers



Two Winters police officers were named Officers of the Year, chosen by their peers for outstanding service to the Winters community.

Officer Scott Leach (above, photo by Debra Lo Guercio) was formally recognized as Officer of the year for 2005 at the March 21 city council meeting. Officer Jose Ramirez (left, photo by Charles Wallace) was unable to attend the ceremony due to a family emergency, but is seen here being announced as the Officer of the Year for 2004 at a joint police and fire department awards ceremony held in February. Pictured with each is Winters Police Chief Bruce Muramoto.



Planning chairman resigns

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

Winters Planning Commission chairman Ed Ross turned in his resignation on Friday, March 24. According to City Manager John Donleavy, Ross submitted his resignation to city council member Tom Stone, who serves as liaison to the planning commission. Ross joined the commission in July 2004, appointed by the city council to fill a position left vacant by Pat Riley, who also resigned. Ross' term would have expired in July 2007.

Donleavy did not speculate as to the reason Ross resigned. He described Ross as an "asset" to the city, and said, "I was sad to see Ed leave. He's done a great job as a planning commissioner."

The vacated seat will be filled by an appointment from the city council.

The planning commission was sharply criticized by Stone at the March 21 city council meeting, at which Stone expressed concern about how some planning commissioners were portraying the city council to the public and discussing their grievances in open meetings

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Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Work crews from Vintage Paving began construction of the new parking lot adjacent to the Community Center on March 20.

Parking lot breaks ground

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

Parking's pinched in the downtown area as work crews from Vintage Paving began construction on the new parking lot last week. But that's only temporary, because once the work is finished, the city will have more than twice the amount of parking adjacent to the Community Center that it does now. According to figures provided by project manager Alan Mitchell, the completed parking lot will have 110 spaces, com-

pared to the 54 the current parking lot has.

The total cost of the construction project is \$883,000, which will be paid for with Redevelopment funds. The configuration of the current parking lot will change, with bare ground left on the immediate corner of Railroad Avenue and Main Street, which will be developed into a park. Plans for the park have yet to be finalized, but preliminary drawings show it extending from the corner east

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Joyful Ranch Foundation celebrates Pleasants' contribution

By JUDY SHOWALTER
Joyful Ranch Foundation
Special to the Express

Longtime Winters resident Ethel Hoskins has formed a non-profit organization as an avenue through which the vision and mission of her family ranch, Hoskins-Pleasants Joyful Ranch, can proceed. The Joyful Ranch Foundation was organized as a non-profit public benefit corporation with a purpose to educate, to enrich and inspire the general public in the rich history of the Wm. James Pleasants Ranch, and to provide

a setting for spiritual renewal. The means will include, but is not limited to, preserving of historic buildings, securing of habitat for wildlife and native plants, conserving land and waterways, supporting agriculture and maintaining of scenic vistas.

Hoskins' grandfather, Wm. James Pleasants — after whom Pleasants Valley was named — arrived in California in 1849 with his father (James) and brother (Edward). The rest of the family came by a second

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Courtesy photo

Ethel Hoskins (right) has started a foundation dedicated to sharing the contribution of the Pleasants family to the local area.

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

Date	Rain	Hi	Lo
March 22	.01	60	37
March 23		63	40
March 24	.02	71	50
March 25	.95	65	51
March 26	.01	63	39
March 27		68	39
March 28	.52	65	49

Rain for week: 1.51
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OBITUARIES

Eudora Gilliam Mitchell Heinz

Eudora Gilliam Mitchell Heinz died March 15, 2006 in Woodland at age 88.
Mrs. Heinz was born March 12, 1918 in Woodland. She was a resident of Yolo and Solano counties. She graduated from Esparto High School in 1936, and was a homemaker for 32 years.

Eudora was a longtime Winters resident. Her husband, Ted Heinz, a Winters farmer, died December 13, 1980.

Survivors include Mrs. Heinz's adopted daughter, Maria Murillo of Dixon, her grandchildren, Carmen Guzman, Nichol Funes, Maria Elena Villalpando, Irma Ponce, Tony Guzman, Jose Guzman, Israel Guzman, all of Dixon; 16 great-grandchildren; her cousins Laura Litott of Auburn and Lucille Edmundston of Merced.

A viewing and funeral were held Wednesday, March 22 in Woodland. Interment will be at the Woodland City Cemetery.

Elton Daniel Keith

Elton D. Keith passed away on Tuesday, March 21 after a lengthy illness. He was born on January 14, 1923 in Tahina, Oklahoma to Ben and Esther Keith. He was the eldest of 11 children. He resided in Oklahoma for most of his youth before moving to Winters with his family.

He was inducted in the United States Marine Corps in 1944. He was ultimately deployed to Iwo Jima on D-Day of the Pacific, February 19, 1945. He served as a decorated Corporal in the First Battalion, Fifth Marine division. Elton was employed by The County of Yolo for 20 years.

Elton was known for his quiet reverence and dedication to The Lord. When living in Oregon, he was instrumental in establishing the first Christian Church on the Pauite Indian Colony. When living in Winters, he and his wife pastored The Faith Tabernacle Church. They were supportive of several missionaries and the La Grande Feliz Orphanage. Ill health forced him to eventually retire from the active ministry.

Elton was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying elk hunting, fishing and prospecting. He had quite the green thumb and enjoyed refinishing antique furniture. His love of music was apparent; his favorite music could be heard throughout any given day.

Elton is survived by his wife of 59 years, Wilma (Mattox) Keith; his four children: Daniel Keith, Phyllis Keith, Rhonda Kimball and Linda Estepa; his six grandchildren: Sherry Mack, Ronald Gonnella, Joel Seigel, Angela Estepa, Carie Estepa and Ryan Estepa. He also has four great-grandchildren. In addition, he is survived by his brothers Chas Keith, Ozell Keith, Gene Keith and Glenn Keith; sisters Waltine Barber, Geraldine Willard, Lois Wagoner and Lena Handle. He is proceeded in death by his daughter Lela, brothers Jay T. Keith and Lloyd "Bud" Keith as well as his parents Ben and Esther (Washburn) Keith.

Elton will be remembered for his boundless compassion and generosity. He was deeply devoted to his family and was loved and respected by all. He will be greatly missed.

Services were held Friday, March 24 at the Main Street Church. His brother, Reverend Glenn Keith, officiated.

Remembrances may be made to the Winters Community Church building fund c/o P.O. Box 424, Winters, CA 95694.

Talmage G.R. Constant Sr.

Talmage G.R. "Shorty" Constant Sr. was born July 25, 1918 in Guion, Arkansas. He passed away peacefully Saturday, March 25, 2006 in his home surrounded by his wife and family. Talmage was a long time resident of Winters since 1944.

He is survived by his loving wife Mary of 61 years; daughters Carolyn Hawley of Winters and Frances and husband Manuel Garcia of Winters; son Riley and wife Terri Constant of Gustine; sister Daphine and husband Dick Panburn of Eureka; brothers Earl and wife Barbara Constant of Cottonwood and Leamon and wife Susan Constant of Woodland; 11 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and four great-great grandchildren.

Talmage was preceded in death by his parents, Archie and Faye Constant who were also longtime residents of Winters, son Archie Constant in August of 2003, brothers Charlie of Oregon and Louis Constant of Woodland, and sister Retha Rooker of Fairfield.

Funeral services will be held Friday, March 31 at First Baptist Church, 512 First Street in Winters with a 10 a.m. viewing and a 10:45 a.m. service.

Those who wish to sign a guest book online may do so at www.davisfuneral.com.



YESTERYEAR



File photo
California Governor Edmund Brown, Jr., came to Winters in March, 1977, to swear in Richard Rominger to be head of the California Department of Food and Agriculture. At the luncheon at the Winters Fire Station, two students, Susan Martin and Stephani Smyth, who cut high school classes to attend the luncheon, asked the governor to sign excuses for them so they could get back in school. He obliged.

35
YEARS AGO

April 8, 1971

A group estimated at more than 400 people were on hand last Friday at the former Army Communications Station East of Winters as the federal government presented the deed to the 640 acre site to Dr. David Risling, chairman of the board at DQ University.

Funeral services were held in Smith's Colonial Chapel here Tuesday morning for Edgar F. Gardner, 84, who died last Friday at his home north of town.

Jon Pleasants, local high school senior, is chairman of the 1971 Winters Youth Day Parade, to be held here on Saturday, April 24.

At Tuesday night's meeting of the Winters City Council, Street Superintendent Clinton K. Jones reported that 42 tree stumps around town have been removed and that 54 trees have been planted.

Sgt. Donald McLaughlin arrived home from Okinawa for a two weeks visit, and will then take his wife Linda, to their new home in Okinawa for the coming year.

The city council Tuesday evening authorized City Engineer Lou Meikle to proceed with annexation of the city dump area northwest of town, to be designated Annexation 71-1.

The Winters District Chamber of Commerce will hold its third annual flea market on Saturday, May 8, in conjunction with the fifth annual frog jump.

The Winters High School Warriors defeated Lower Lake 11 to 6 in the first Sacramento Valley League baseball game of the season on the winner's diamond Friday. Jody Ogando hit a three run homer in the second inning to lead the attack.

Yolando Fragoso celebrated her tenth birthday anniversary with a party in her home in the Union District.

50
YEARS AGO

April 19, 1956

J.F. Huchingson, administrative officer of the Bureau of Reclamation here, has been named administrative officer of the Trinity Project, near Weaverville.

James West, who has been a member of the Winters City Council for the past six years, and vice mayor for the past two years, was unanimously elected mayor of Winters at the council meeting Tuesday night.

The pouring of concrete on the Monticello Dam will be resumed about May 15, after a suspension of five months because of flood damage.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Merchant and Mrs. Lester Ireland arrived home Thursday from a ten day trip through spots of scenic interest in Arizona, Nevada and Colorado.

Carl Holmes, chairman of the board of trustees of the Olive School, said this week that plans to unionize Pleasants Valley and Olive School Districts are well underway.

Continuing its right of way buying for the Putah Creek South Canal, the Bureau of Reclamation has purchased from F.C. and Eva Hemenway 16.04 acres of land, consisting of three tracts near Winters.

Pfc. Jimmy Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Thompson of the Wolfskill District, left by plane from San Francisco Thursday for Iceland, where he will be in service for the coming year. His work is in communications with the Air Force.

The fourteenth birthday anniversary of Johnny Martinez was observed on Sunday when he entertained a group of friends at the ball game in Sacramento.

J.H.D. Bassett, former resident, now of Sacramento, was here Thursday night when W.I. Baker was presented a 50 year button by the Buckeye Lodge No. 195, F. & A.M.

65
YEARS AGO

April 18, 1941

"Mayor Ted Mermod" awoke yesterday morning with a well-defined attack of mumps that will debar him from Youth Day honors. His "understudy" has not yet been selected.

W.W. Stark, cashier of the Winters National and J.H.D. Bassett, manager of the Bank of America, plan to attend a meeting of the California Bankers Ass'n. at Sacramento tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Fenley were among the Easter hosts entertaining in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Furth of Berkeley.

George Pede, Winters High School athlete, collected 14 1/4 of the 29 points amassed by his colleagues, which enabled Winters to win the B division of the annual invitational track meet at St. Helena last Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Parker will present her pupils in piano recital Wednesday night at 7:45 at the Christian Church.

The Russell and Dunsmore families enjoyed a family picnic and Easter egg hunt Sunday afternoon at Recreation Beach.

Mrs. C.A. Elliott and daughter, Miss Verman of San Anselmo were Sunday guests at the Mrs. J.R. Johnston home.

Mrs. Rose Gellar visited the first of the week with her brother, George Cook of Ukiah.

Frank Judy of Walnut Grove was in town Friday. His niece, Miss Jean Griffin came with him to spend the vacation in the J.F. Vasey home.

Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Snodgrass and Harry Sattazahn were weekend motorists to Death Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McArthur and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McArthur of Sacramento visited Sunday afternoon at the Neil McArthur and J.A. Boyce homes.

Berryessa rises .02 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa remained constant during the past week, with the lake rising .02 of a foot during the week, adding 378 acre feet of water to storage, according to Mickey Faulkner of the Solano Irrigation District.

He reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 441.36 feet above sea level, about 16 inches above the spillway, with the storage computed at 1,628,614 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 60 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal.

The deadline to place a classified ad is Tuesday at noon for that week's paper.

100
YEARS AGO

April 20, 1906

The little tremblor that aroused Winters people from their slumbers, or drove them from their houses, Wednesday morning was no indication of the terrible disaster that has visited San Francisco. There the loss of life and property is appalling.

At Tuesday night's meeting of the Town Trustees, Mr. Judy was again elected chairman of the board.

The roller skating rink was opened Monday evening by E.J. Gannon, and has been patronized to the limit every evening.

Edward Baker has been in San Francisco this week buying new goods for the Anderson-Baker Co. All he bought was destroyed before shipment and he is now at Sacramento duplicating the order.

FW. Willis has bought the Goodyear ranch, where he is now living. The place contains about 320 acres, nearly all orchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smith and child came up from San Francisco last night. Tom was married last summer and has a good position with the Royal Shoe Company on Third Street. He lost everything in the fire.

Wm. Brinck, John Sackett, Mr. and Mrs. Boles, Dr. M.O. and Frank Wyatt, W.A. Cannedy, Frank H. Owen and A.P. Craner started for San Francisco yesterday.

In sympathy for the stricken city of San Francisco, the floral festival to be held by the Women's Improvement Club yesterday afternoon and evening was postponed until Saturday evening, May 5.

Sam Carpenter came up from the city last night. The place where he was living on Turk Street was destroyed by fire, but he escaped with his personal effects without difficulty.

Next Art Walk Sat. April 1

The next Winters Art Walk takes place on Saturday, April, 1 in downtown Winters, 12-6 p.m. On that day, Briggs & Co. will feature several special events in addition to regular Art Walk events. Some participants may have different Art Walk hours, as listed. The complete listing and map is available and printable online at www.PorFinPottery.com.

- ~ Steady Eddy's Coffee House, 5 E. Main St. 795-3588. Exhibit of ceramic art by Sharon Bloom, though May 6. Meet the artist and get her autograph. Sharon will be signing T-shirts with the new Steady Eddy's "Instantly Comfortable" logo that she designed, 4-7 p.m. Also through May 6, pottery by Rebecca Bresnick Holmes (www.porfinpottery.com). Art Walk hours: 6:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- ~ The Palms, 13 Main Street, First Floor hallway, 902-0705, www.palmsplayhouse.com. Winters Tales: Oral History Project by photographer Jamie Chomas, ongoing. Art Walk hours: 4-8 p.m.
- ~ The Arte Junction, 308 Railroad Avenue, 795-3297, www.theartejunction.com. "Urban and Ruralscapes," by Deborah Cushman of Sebastopol, through May 6. See calendar at www.theartejunction.com. Late afternoon artist reception. Art Walk hours: 4-8 p.m.
- ~ Briggs & Co., 820 Railroad Av-

enue, 795-9505, sbriggs@rustology.com. Art Instruction: painting with Marie Therese Brown, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., with gourmet lunch served at 1 p.m. \$60 per person, space is limited. Meet paper mache artist Melissa Terrick. Calolea olive oil tasting. Art to benefit Charity Gala (proceeds to Yolo Family Service Agency) with live and silent auction, 6 p.m., featuring local artists, including Heidi Bekebrede, Marie Therese Brown, Philippe Gandiol, David Hollowell, Terry Hollowell, Linnea Wong and many others. Live performances by OK Chorale, Rubber Soul Mates, Flatland String Band and others. For more information, call 662-2211. Art walk hours: 12-10 p.m.

- ~ Berryessa Gap Vineyards, 15 Main St., 795-3207, sbriggs@rustology.com. Photography by Dale Stephens. Meet the artist 3-6 p.m. Art walk hours: 12-6 p.m.
- ~ Lester Farms Bakery, 606 Railroad Avenue, 795-1474. "Shadow/Light" photography exhibit by Larry Powell, through May 31. Artist reception 3-6 p.m. Larry and his wife live in Woodland. He photographs landscapes and nature locally and around California. He is a retired school teacher, last working in the Woodland School District. He has produced a published photo essay journal on the California Vietnam Veter-

ans Memorial. He shows and sells his art work around Yolo County.

- ~ Winters Center for the Arts, 31 Main Street, 795-5301. "The Ingredients for Stew," paintings by Mick Sheldon, through April 30. "A collection of the most pleasant paintings of my last 10 years." A series of works using vegetables and meat of a hearty stew. Art walk hours: 12-8 p.m. Artist reception, 6-8 p.m.
- ~ Regalare, 11 Main Street, 795-9000, regalare@sbcglobal.net. Digitally enhanced photography inspired by the world of insects by Cindy Cloud. 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

There is no charge to participate in the Art Walk. For more information call or e-mail Rebecca Bresnick Holmes, 795-0692 or Rebecca@porfinpottery.com. Visit www.PorFinPottery.com to download an Art Walk map and participant listing. Visit www.WintersCA.org for information about Winters.

Arts to Benefit Charities

(ABC) is a group of Yolo County artists and psychotherapists who create art, joined together to nurture and support the growth of artists while also contributing to the many under funded local human service organizations, by means of an art auction. This year, many fine established and aspiring artists will lend their efforts to support Yolo Family Service Agency. This non-profit agency is the premier training and service agency serving the mental health needs of low income families throughout Yolo County. Despite serious limitations to their public funding, they continue to provide quality counseling to children and families, both in English and Spanish. Through the Allied Services to Kids program, services are brought directly into participating secondary schools, to enable teens to easily access counseling. Moreover, Yolo Family Service Agency serves as a training site for individuals who are completing their professional training.

To support this venerable agency, a gala event is being created, and is scheduled for Saturday April 1, from 6 to 9PM. Artists Shaunie and Michael Briggs are not only participating contributing artists, but they have given their gallery and studio space to host the event, at 820 Railroad Avenue, in Winters California. Occurring during a monthly scheduled "art walk", wherein several galleries open their doors for a evening of exhibits throughout the town, this event will be a combination of a live auction, silent auction, and vocal performances throughout the evening. In addition Shaunie and Michael will provide their popular grilled ribs, and other delicacies will be offered to the guests. Already David and Terry Holowell have contributed archival prints, and paintings of Philippe Gandiol and Marie Therese Brown will be offered. Both Linnea Wong and Shaunie Briggs have offered their works, as have ceramicist Patricia Dunn, and sculptor Trudy Baltz. Auctioneer Heidi Bekebrede promises to make the process entertaining, as she offers works selected by juror Cathy Duniway.

Throughout the evening choral groups, including the OK Chorale and Rubber Soul mates, will perform.

Find out more about the Winters Art Walk and get a printable map at www.porfinpottery.com.

Opinion



DEBRA LO GUERCIO
BECAUSE I SAY SO

WHEN A MUSLIM READER emailed me, suggesting that we meet to discuss my recent column on Islam, I felt trepidation creeping up my spine. Hamza was offended by that column, in which I called upon Muslims to decry violence done in the name of Islam. That's a troublesome equation: offended Muslim plus American journalist equals... only bad things. As I pondered Hamza's proposition, I ran one hand over my neck and contemplated how deeply I enjoy having my head attached to my body.

You see, I came out and admitted it. The televised seething masses of enraged Muslims screaming "Death to America," the severed heads dangling from jihadists' hands, the furor over cartoons of Muhammad, 9/11, and, in particular, the lack of Muslim outcry over all this violence — it finally made something inside me snap. I've become apprehensive about all Muslims. You can't tell which is friend or foe, so it's best to avoid them all. Yes, it's an ugly admission! But admitting uncomfortable feelings is a prerequisite to communication and understanding.

My column upset Hamza so much, he wrote a letter to the editor decrying it. Which was spectacular. Although offended, maybe even angry, Hamza objected with words, not weapons. That's exactly what I was begging for in that column.

In his emails to me, Hamza made some valid points. First, if I had more personal contact with Muslims, it might ease my fears. He's right. Although I know several Arabs, not one is Muslim. In fact, I've never had any substantial conversation with a Muslim, simply for lack of opportunity.

Hamza further pointed out that the American media dwells on Muslim violence and ignores peaceful outcry. That's not hard to believe. Our media ignores the burgeoning evidence of electronic vote tampering (which renders our votes meaningless and threatens the U.S. more than a million Osama bin Ladens ever could) and cannibalizes the First Amendment by not televising all those coffins coming home from Iraq because the Bush Administration won't "allow" it.

Ponder that. The sanctity of the vote is endangered, our government won't "allow" us to exercise our Constitutional rights and, meanwhile, the corporate-owned media sits there with its thumbs in its pockets. In light of that, can peacefully demonstrating Muslims stand a chance of getting media attention? Peaceful Muslims don't propel the neocon agenda forward. The neocons need a Bogeyman, and they know that a frightened populace is an obedient populace.

Even acknowledging this, was I completely comfortable meeting an offended Muslim, alone and unprotected? No. But, shoving thoughts of Daniel Pearl and Jill Carroll aside, I did it anyway. You can't fight fear unless you face it.

Turns out, it wasn't scary at all. Hamza, an educated, eloquent man with eyes that twinkle like two little sunrises, was a wellspring of information. He brought along a lovely, articulate young Muslim lady named Maren who shared opinions and experiences of her own. I had a thousand questions, and was especially encouraged to learn that American Muslims and many Middle Eastern Muslims were appalled by the violence over the Danish cartoons. Maren told me that although these Muslims also found the cartoons offensive, they advocated peaceful demonstration, not violence. Did the media cover this? About as well as it covered the last shipment of coffins returning from Iraq.

Hamza and Maren were wonderful, fascinating, enlightening people, and I left our conversation feeling revived with hope. Did they completely alleviate my apprehension about Muslims? No. Not yet. It was a good start, but not yet. Despite the propaganda that passes as news in this country, the fact is that horrible things are occurring in the name of Islam.

Take the plight of Muslim Abdul Rahman, recently on trial in Kabul for converting to Christianity. Under strict Islamic law, someone who does so must be put to death. His prosecutor stated, "We are Muslims and becoming a Christian is against our laws. He must get the death penalty." The judge concurred, that "this sort of thing is against the law. It's an attack on Islam." Even though Rahman was ultimately released this week following worldwide outcry, local Afghanis and Muslim clerics protested in the streets, insisting he must die.

And once again, apprehension creeps in. So, I have more questions for Hamza and Maren, and every single Muslim who insists Islam is a peaceful religion: Is it acceptable to kill people for religious reasons? If you are offended, does it justify murder? If the answer is "yes," our conversation is over. But if it's "no," it's only just begun. I hope it's a loud, resounding "No!" Let's keep talking. It's our only chance.



LETTERS

Agreement not up to par

Dear Editor,

In his recent column (March 23) , Charley Wallace speculated incorrectly on the rationale of my "no" vote on the topic of the proposed Winters Highlands project, saying he perceived it as a vote against the pool, the schools and the Winters merchants. Charley is wrong. I'm in favor of the project, as I unequivocally stated at the meeting. I voted against the motion on the table, which gave approval to the proposed development agreement. Simply stated, the agreement could be better.

More residents without more jobs is fiscally irresponsible in the long term. The city's light industrial zone is in a flood plain. The city can only develop the flood plain if a large developer pays for the infrastructure. A developer will only make that investment, \$20 million plus, if the city approves a residential development by which the developer can recover its money. That would require 1,000 additional homes, and likely hundreds more. That is not an attractive option.

An alternative is to move the light industrial zone out of the flood plain and move the sports park into it, as Charlie Rominger has been advocating for some time. To study the idea, the city needs funds it doesn't have. The city could have negotiated for those funds in the development agreement. The city did not. Rather, the city negotiated a number of other "benefits," including \$100,000 for the W-weir project.

The picture painted by Mr. Wallace of a "no growth" contingent in the community, and of a minority on the commission, is inconsistent with every statement that I heard during the meeting. The "other" view expressed was clearly in support of

the project as a whole, but advocated a tempering of the perceived aggressive phasing of the build-out.

While I sympathize with that view, I voted against a development agreement that I believe wastes an opportunity to obtain funding to assess two issues of major long-term importance to the city: a growth management plan, which could give us far greater leverage in subsequent negotiations with developers wanting to build yet more homes in the city, and a reconsideration of the existing plan to put the light industrial zone in the flood plain.

Furthermore, Granite Bay has a self-interest in securing both of these objectives: the developer wants more local jobs to increase demand for its homes and it wants to limit the supply of additional homes that would compete with sales of the Granite Bay homes. Accordingly, I think a simple sales job ("win-win proposal") to the developer could net the city at least an additional \$250,000 in support of these long-term projects, as could a reprioritization of the City's goals: Hmmm... W-weir project or progress on local jobs?

On behalf of the city's residents, I set the bar very high for my approval of development agreements. The city's last-minute hard bargaining with Winters Investors LLC, which I'm proud to say that I initiated and led, netted the city approximately \$1 million for sorely-needed park space. In the case of Winters Highlands, I'm concerned that the apparent zeal to secure the deal has left money on the table.

In sum, I think the development agreement is less than it could and should be, which is why I voted against it.

ED ROSS

Bikers beneficial to business

Dear Editor,

I wish to offer the City of Winters an alternative view of the image of "bikers." First and foremost, the "Vernal Equinox Run" is a long-standing event. Sunday, March 19, was the 14th consecutive year that the Vernal Equinox Run (VE Run) was held (beginning in Vallejo and ending in Winters). For the record, this VE Run was the second largest in its history with about 600 registered participants with an estimated 700 total riders participating. Yes, the VE Run is a biker event that brings the attention of Harley and non-Harley riders to our town.

According to the Winters Police Department, there were no calls or incidents by these bikers to our town. If our local officers were not in their cars, they were more than likely walking the Main Street looking at the bikes and

talking to and laughing with the bikers. For 14 years, the VE Run had, like the other years, no calls to the police or other law enforcement agencies.

For the record: Officers of the local area and state CHP, retired Military Police, attend the VE Run, along with regular military personnel (both active and retired). Mr. Vilalobos raises a concern for the safety that "bikers" pose. I am sure that the city was well represented in the riders of the VE Run itself. I am sure our new police chief, Bruce Muramoto, has an excellent opinion of the demands that the VE Run organizers placed on his officers.

The local Chamber of Commerce, a sponsoring member of the VE Run, estimated that the event brought in several thou-

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CHARLES R. WALLACE
A QUICK OPINION

HOW WOULD YOU VOTE? Depending on which way you see the future, the recent voter survey, paid for by the citizens of Winters, wasn't very encouraging for those who want to raise our taxes and increase our level of service. I was one of the 148 people who were phoned and took part in the survey. It took about 15 minutes and the questions were pretty straight forward.

According to the researchers, the objectives of the survey were to determine likely support for a municipal services tax in the City of Winters. Identify the tax threshold level at which voters are willing to support the measure and identify key projects and statements that resonate with voters.

You answer the question. "If you heard that the municipal services tax of \$20 per month per housing unit would fund only police and fire service improvements, would you vote yes or no on this measure? (Get answer, then ask) Would that be definitely (yes/no) or probably (yes/no)?"

I answered that I would definitely support the \$20 per month tax. I'm in the minority. Of those answering no, 23 percent said probably no, while 40 percent said definitely no. That's 63 percent saying no to a \$20 per month tax. Considering you need a 66.7 percent yes vote to pass a new tax, I don't think we will be seeing this on a ballot anytime soon.

I'm not sure if it is just the no new taxes mentality or people think we are getting along just fine the way we are. There is the feeling that the economy isn't all that great, even if economists tell us otherwise, or maybe people are just living a little too close to the edge and don't have an extra \$20 a month for added taxes. It may be the reason the council is demanding so much from developers. Thinking, correctly, that the current citizens of Winters won't support a bond to fix the swimming pool or build a new police/fire station.

We may be addicted to growth to keep our budget balanced, and so far, it seems to be working. We've added hundreds of homes over the years and it appears we will be adding several hundred more over the next 10 years. I know there are people who claim the sky is falling and we will have 500 homes built by next year, but I haven't seen anyone take me up on my offer to put money on our growth rate.

As soon as the rainfall contest is over in July, I'll start a new annual contest to see how many new homes are built each year. If you want to win the prize, don't listen to the people who think we will be building hundreds of homes a year, reaching a population of 12,500 by 2010. Take a look at the graduating class of 2006, divide by two, and enter that number. Not in 2006 mind you, but in 2007 or 2008. By the time a major project is built it will be almost six years since the last housing tract went in. I don't consider that hyper growth. By the time we see new homes in Winters the pool will be dry (unless a developer comes up with the promised \$1.25 million) and the school district will be talking about closing the Shirley Rominger School.

These are tough times for figuring out a budget if you run a business in Winters, let alone manage the city, school district or fire department. Not having a constant growth rate impacts everyone and makes planning for the future almost impossible. If not for the redevelopment district, which covers most of Winters south of Grant Avenue, you won't be seeing any improvement in the downtown or elsewhere in the city. Business growth is also affected, and not for the positive.

HATE MAIL. It is nice to see people read my column last week. What I didn't like about the planning commission vote was the verbal praising of the project and then the no votes. You can't have it both ways, or maybe you can. There is no doubt that I have both a vested and financial interest in Winters. I don't want to "have to" work in Davis or Sacramento. I'll admit that I'm spoiled working in town and I also own a piece of the Opera House, which I've written about in the past.

I worry about people who don't take an ownership interest in Winters, whether it be through their commitment to the community or property ownership. A lot of people have come and gone over the years, with some being more active in the community than others, but all leaving their mark. I would hope that everyone can step back and look at the community as a whole and not just through a window in their back yard. If you don't care if we have a viable downtown, functioning school district, a community swimming pool, sports facilities or open space, that's fine with me, but for those of us who would like to see Winters thrive, most of us see growth as the only answer. If you have a better idea, let me know.

If you don't see the positives in growth, I can't help you. Not every developer is the devil, and not all growth is good, but without growth our quality of life will suffer over the long run. Some think that growth is the death of our small town, but I've written in the past about the "new" people who have added tremendously to our community. If you look at surrounding communities, we've done a great job of keeping Winters a unique place to live.

As far as a warm and fuzzy Express, that only applies to the Christmas season.

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We will accept letters of thanks naming individuals and local Winters businesses. Non-local individuals and businesses listed in letters of thanks will be edited out.

LETTERS

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Concerns were not that simple

Mr. Publisher,
I am going to have to agree with your statement “that might be too simple a thought process” in regards to your opinion of the way I voted as commissioner on March 16 on the issue of the Winters Highlands subdivision. It was too simple to assume I was against the swimming pool, the schools, the merchants — why didn’t you throw in the library?
For the record I have lived in the community for 25 years, have raised my family here and have served the community in various ways over that time. At one time I owned a business here. To imply that I do not support the community because I believe the phasing of new subdivisions, i.e rapid population growth is undesirable, is too simple.
The assumption you made that each commissioner had reasons for voting against the Highlands project was correct. Things are not always as simple as you would like and they are seldom as black and white as many would like to believe.
If you would have bothered to listen to my statements at the meeting or better yet, taken the time to discuss the issues with me you would have known that I was not against the project. I am on the public record as saying that I believe this to be a good project and that staff has done a good job of extracting “the goodies” from Granite Bay Holdings, the developer of the project and from the developers of other projects approved over the past year’s development activity.
Much of the funding is directed towards things we need but in the long run — will Winters be able to sustain them? The city can barely fund the care of its current facilities. The staff has provided several financial models showing several different growth rates and their financial impact. All models in the long run do not provide the sustainability that will be required to take care of the needs of all the residents for services that they want from their city. Models can be skewed to say what you want people to believe. It is a well documented fact that residential growth does not pay for itself. Never has, never will.
We cannot grow ourselves out of the financial problems that exist in Winters by building more homes, not without adjusting the General Plan to provide for an economical path to industrial development and job creation.
I have very strong misgivings about the rate of build-out that will occur in our community over the next several years, particularly when examined for the cumulative effect it will have. You discussed a build-out rate of 75 new homes per year but per the information provided to commissioners by city staff the build out will be: 77 new units in the first year of 2006, 239 units for 2007, 304 units for 2008, 393 units for 2009 and 443 units for 2010. This is a far cry from the 75 homes per year you are telling people about in your column.
The concern is for the quality of life our community will loose with the assimilation of so many new members into the community so rapidly. It will be a number, that in Winters’ history is unprecedented. It will be interesting to see what you will be writing about when it will take you 15 minutes to drive from your home to your office.
Being a planning commissioner or for that mat-

ter, a city council member is not about providing a rubber stamp to whatever scheme city staff wants to run with. It is about critically examining the issues and the risks involved against the positive attributes. I believe the issues and the risks to our community are far too great to be voting in fear of the developer pulling something off the table. Granite Bay was not about to walk away from their project in which they have invested five years. They are running a business and that is why there should have been further negotiation.

ALBERT VALLECILLO

Publisher may have economic interest

Dear Editor,
I think it is unfair for you, Charles Wallace, to label planning commissioners, Al Vallecillo, Ed Ross and Pierre Neu as anti swimming pool, anti school and anti Winters Merchants, (March 23, A Quick Opinion), due to their Highlands vote. They certainly have concerns over rate and type of growth like many of the members of this community. We are lucky to live in a country where there is freedom of debate and freedom of the press and our politicians, when making decisions, are required to excuse themselves when they have conflicts of interests.
Which brings me to my point, Mr. Wallace. Recently the Winters City Council had to vote on spending taxpayer money for downtown growth and improvements. All five of the council members had a conflict (property owners, etc), meaning they all had something to gain (mostly gain) or lose by their decision. A straw vote was taken, three members selected, and the vote was all in favor.
Now, I know one or two of the council members and they are fine, upstanding individuals and I’m sure they vote for the community good. The local paper, the Winters Express, reported the story, but since the publisher owns downtown property and stands to possibly gain, there was no editorial regarding this questionable democratic process and appearance of a biased vote. But let several planning commissioners have some concerns about growth and here comes the bashing editorial. So much for a kinder, gentler Winters Express.
Lets also be very clear that the Winters Express and its publisher, Mr. Wallace, will benefit (\$\$\$) from growth. Nothing wrong with that, but Mr. Wallace don’t hide behind statements that growth will benefit the schools and the swimming pool.

RICK PURVIS

Need more consensus

Dear Editor,
I had to write today because I’m offended by Charley’s comments regarding the three planning commissioners who voted against the Winters Highlands project. When I attended that meeting, I saw quite a few business people wearing green paper tags saying “Yes” for the Highlands project. It seems obvious they supported the project because future people will spend money at their businesses. And Charley is no different, for more people equals more possible subscriptions which equals more money for him too. Donleavy wasn’t wearing a green tag, but then maybe his green sweater was his way of supporting the project and more money for him, oops, the city, too. (Seems like money carried the victory that night.)

My take on the whole process, starting with Callahan Estates and Mr. Hildebrand, whose development attitude expressed to me is “It’s my property and I can do whatever I want with it,” is that there has been little consideration of the values and ideals brought forth by the community regarding development.
The specific plan for the whole northwest residential area was scrapped and not reconsidered with new ideas via a divide-and-conquer strategy by our city administration. And what I could see throughout this whole process was that most people just wanted some more greenbelts/open space to preserve the vistas unique to that area — a simple request but denied for the sake of maximum development. (Seems like a structured skyline is more important than a natural one.)
And that brings me some points I’ve tried to express for some time: “Is development without community consensus really the best thing for all of us? And if it is, are there enough measures identified to mitigate it’s environmental impacts in our changing world?” To that last question I’d have to say the answer is an obvious “No” when only half the Highland houses are required to have electricity generating solar panels on them. Heck, entire subdivisions are being built across the country with these solar panels to mitigate their energy impacts of greenhouse gas generation, so why not here? (Seems like only going halfway is more important than the whole enchilada.)
The \$32 million dollar figure is just the cost of doing development business in California today, especially in a small town like Winters that is a developer’s money-making dream: so close to everything big but still far enough away from it all. Vallecillo, Ross and Neu probably recognized that in their vote, along with the opinions and comments from other business owners and residents on how to improve on what already has been done, and perhaps some of the things I’ve written here. But maybe we’ll never know, because Charley’s paper didn’t take the time to ask them and then report back to you, the reader. (Seems like just another form of information control to me.)

JON TICE

Country without laws is doomed

Dear Editor,
What does illegal immigration really reflect? California Education Code Section 48215. (a) No public elementary or secondary school shall admit, or permit the attendance of, any child who is not a citizen of the United States, an alien lawfully admitted as a permanent resident, or a person who is otherwise authorized under federal law to be present in the United States.
So now here’s the fundamental issue, and it has little to do with economics or human rights. We live in a state and country where laws are often simply disregarded if they are unpopular or inconvenient. A country that will not or cannot create a meaningful and coherent body of law that is then enforced consistently has defaulted its right to be considered a legitimate political entity and is worthy of being swept onto the refuge heap of failed social dreams. And so the democratic experiment that is America will quietly slip away to be replaced.

MAYHEW WRENELITH

Enough is enough

Dear Editor,
While watching the news on television Sunday evening, I saw a pathetic looking individual on the screen. He was making a speech about the progress we were making on that day, the third year since we began “the liberation of the Iraqi people.”
When the hell did “The War on Terrorism” become the liberation for the people of Iraq? C’mon, give me a break. I almost lost my dinner.
This pathetic individual making this miserable speech was none other than George W. Bush, your president, a proven liar who should be held ac-

countable for what is taking place in Iraq everyday: murder and suffering of innocent people – Americans, our allies, and Iraqi civilians.
Enough is enough. It’s time to impeach George Bush and the rest of the

miserable crooks in his administration, they have become a cancer that needs to be removed before it spreads even more. Let’s operate now.
Support our troops. God bless America.
RALPH GUTIERREZ

Don’t see your letter? We ran out of room!

Community

Winters Highlands on agenda

The Winters City Council will meet on Tuesday, April 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. The following items are on the agenda:

- ~ Present Proclamation to Mike and Janet Kimes.
- ~ Present Proclamation to Dawn Van Dyke

Action items

- ~ Public hearing and consideration of resolution approving the issuance of revenue bonds in the amount of \$6,500,000 by the California Municipal Finance Authority for the purpose of financing a multi-family rental housing development to be located at 110 East Baker Street, and approving and directing execution of the joint exercise of powers agreement relating to the authority.
- ~ Continued public hearing and consideration of the Winters Highlands Tentative Subdivision Map. The project is a proposed residential subdivision of 102.6 acres to create 413 single-family lots (including 36 “duplex” lots) on 49.49 acres, a 2.01 acre multifamily lot on which 30 apartments will be developed, a 10.63 acre park site (plus a proposed 10,000 square foot well site), and a 7.43 acre wetlands/open space area, an exchange parcel of 0.04 acres to the Callahan property to the south; and 32.81 acres in public roads.

The project site is located north of Grant Avenue along Moody Slough Road (County Road 33) in the northwestern portion of the City of Winters. The project site totals 102.6 acres located south of Moody Slough Road, east of the westerly city limits, and north of the existing Dry Creek subdivision.

- ~ Approvals needed include CEQA clearance; exclusion from the West Central Master Plan; approval of the Winters Highlands Development Agreement; Approval of various General Plan amendments; approval of various rezonings; approval of the Tentative Subdivision Map; Approval of a lot line adjustment.

Dan the delivery man



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Mayor Dan Martinez participated in Mayors for Meals Day on Wednesday, March 22, along with mayors and city council representatives from Woodland, West Sacramento and Davis. Assisting him is Meals on Wheels driver, Viona Hague. Martinez assisted in delivering hot meals to homebound seniors and visited with seniors participating in the daily lunch program at the Community Center. More than 400 mayors participated nationally in the Mayors for Meals Day. Locally, the Elderly Nutrition Program, which sponsors the senior lunch and Meals on Wheels programs, served 78,310 lunchtime meals to 1,400 seniors countywide. For more information about the program or to volunteer, call 662-7035 or visit their website, www.elderlynutrition.org.

AFS students speak to Fortnightly Club

BY MARGE SEBASTIAN
Special to the Express

The Winters Fortnightly Club met on Tuesday, March 14 and enjoyed a visit by this year's American Field Service exchange students from Winters High School, presented by Bobbie Greenwood. Dora Anastasi of Sicily, Italy, and Julian Fischer of Hamburg, Germany, shared information and

insights of their homeland and answered numerous questions about their experiences while here and there. The business meeting opened with a word of thanks to all who made the recent fashion show and luncheon a great success. The success of the event came from club members and the community working together to meet the club's goal of supporting

youth activities in Winters and awarding a \$1,500 scholarship to a senior girl from Winters High School. The hostesses for the meeting were Gail Sullivan, Nelda Biasi and Jessie Gill.

Community input sought on parks

The Winters City Council has hired the HLA Group as design consultant for a sports park located on Moody Slough Road and park that will be part of the Winters Highlands subdivision. An advisory committee is being formed

to gather ideas about the new parks. Community meetings will be held for all residents to join in the planning process. For more information or to participate in park planning, call Cheryl Rheuby at 795-4910 ext. 111.

Weekly fire department report

March 22
~ Public assistance on the first block of Easy Baker Street; lift assist.
~Fire alarm on the 100 Block of East Grant Avenue for a smoke detector activation; false alarm.

March 23
~ Medical aid on the 500 Block of Edwards Street; pedestrian struck by a vehicle.
~Medical aid on the 600 Block of Railroad Avenue; diabetic reaction.

March 24
~Medical aid on the 600 block of FoxGlove Circle; possible broken arm.
~ Medical aid on the 400 block of Anderson Avenue; fall injury.
~Public assistance on the 700 block of Hemenway Street; lift assist.
~Medical aid on the 400

block Morgan Street; back pain.

March 25
~ Mutual aid to Solano County, vehicle fire on Johnson Road at Putah Creek Road.
~ Fire assist on the 200 block of Almeria Place; lift assist.

March 26
~ Medical aid on 400 Morgan Street; fall injury.

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with the public rather than working out these differences with council members privately. Stone also criticized various statements made by planning commissioners in open meetings.

The other council members concurred that the situation warranted further discussion, and directed Donleavy to arrange a meeting between the council and planning commission.

Ross was unavailable for comment on the situation early this week.

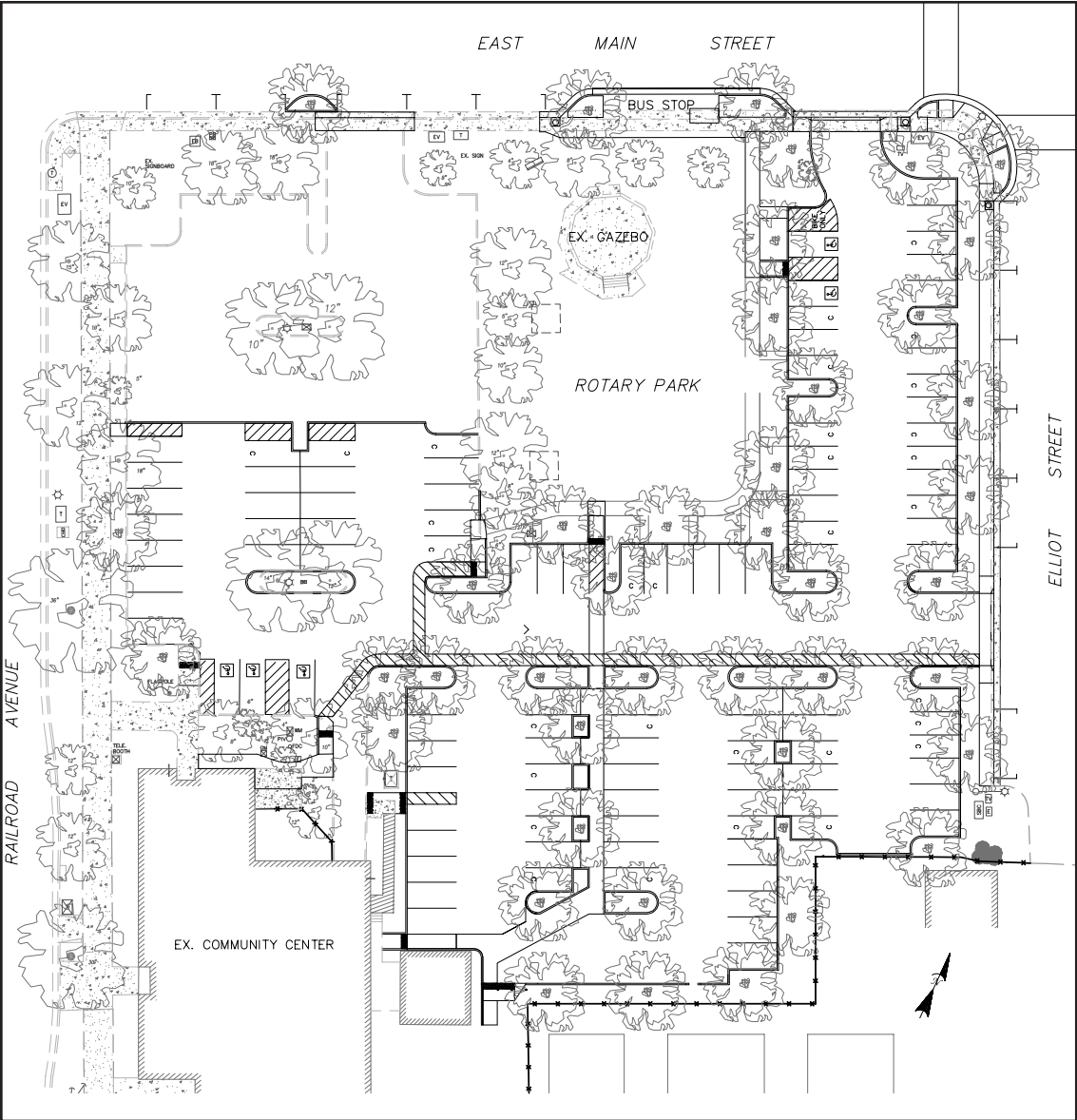
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tion is still underway, Johnson says the dogs were released to Thuman with the stipulation that the pit bull be euthanized by a family veterinarian. Johnson said Thuman was given this option rather than have the dog euthanized by the county. However, as of March 28, Thuman had not complied with the orders and Johnson said animal control would report to his property by 5 p.m. on that day to take the dog back into custody and euthanize it.

The county did not order the mixed breed to be euthanized, but it did release the dog to its owners with stipulations. It is not to be allowed to run loose, and any time if is not on its property, it must be on a leash with a person at least 18 years old.

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This is how the new parking lot currently under construction at Railroad and Main will be configured when finished.

PARKING

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and encompassing a portion of the current Rotary Park, including the gazebo and lawn surrounding it.

City Manager John Donleavy says the park will not be an elaborate undertaking. Vintage Paving will grade the land, and the city will install irrigation and plant grass. Beyond that, city staff will ask the city council to approve a design group con-

sisting of Chamber of Commerce members and local business owners to come up with possible further improvements.

Parking spaces will be constructed between the park and Community Center, and will extend east to Elliot Street. Parking spaces will also be constructed just east of the gazebo, stretching from Main Street to the northeast corner of the Community Center, covering the space where the Valley Farmers Co-op once

stood.

Mitchell says the target date for completing the parking lot is July 4, but it's possible that it may be finished sooner than that. Landscaping for the parking lot will be done by Moore, Iacofano & Goltsman (M.I.G.) of Davis. The overall design of the parking lot was done by Ponticello Enterprises. Donleavy says park construction is expected to begin in June, with a completion date coinciding with the parking lot's.

Weekly police department report

March 17
~ Toribio Covarrubias Jr., 33, of Dixon was arrested for two counts of possessing controlled substance paraphernalia, being an unlicensed driver and having a front side vehicle window obstructed. Covarrubias was also arrested on two outstanding Solano County Sheriff bench warrants charging him with failure to appear on previous charges of possessing a controlled substance and possessing controlled substance paraphernalia; and failure to appear on previous charges of possessing a controlled substance. Covarrubias was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ Jose Angel Amezcua Jr., 20, of Winters was arrested on an outstanding Davis Police Department bench warrant charging him with violation of probation and failing jail time on previous charges of possessing a dangerous weapon and participating in criminal street gang activity. Amezcua was booked at the Winters Police Department and

transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ On the 500 block of Niemann Street, an unknown suspect jumped a fence and entered school property without permission.

~ Susanna Marlene Riley, 53, of Winters surrendered herself on an outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrant charging her with failure to appear on previous charges of driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license and driving over a double yellow line. Riley was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a promise to appear.

~ A 16-year-old Esparto resident was arrested for vandalism. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a notice to appear.

March 18
~ A 16-year-old Woodland juvenile was issued a notice to appear for exhibition of speed and being an unlicensed driver.

~ Jason Eugene Hamby, 31, of Winters was stopped facing southbound on

Railroad Avenue preparing to make a left hand turn. Thomas Holman Martin, 46, of Winters was approaching directly behind Hamby and struck the rear of Hamby's vehicle causing moderate damage.

March 18-19
~ On the 800 block of West Grant Avenue, eggs were thrown at a vehicle.

March 19
~ At State Route 128 and County Road 87, an officer assisted the California Highway Patrol with a traffic collision.

March 20
~ On the 200 block of Mermod Road, several subjects, who do not live at the residence, were fighting in the front yard. The subjects fled the area when they heard the police sirens approaching.

March 21-22
~ City Park was vandalized. The door to the storage shed was kicked and a wood board was removed from the playground structure.

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BIKERS

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sand dollars of extra income to the city. This money was spent at all shops and eateries in Winters. While some money was spent at the three local bars, more money was spent at places like Steady Eddie's, the Buckhorn, Putah Creek Cafe, Ocean Restaurant and Cody's Deli. Yes, I am sure that a few dollars were even spent at some of the other shops that are in our fair town. Yes, bikers like to eat when we ride.

Mr. Villalobos asks a question to the rest of the "...99.9 percent of the taxpayers..." in the city of Winters. Should the Chamber of Commerce stand up with the amount of money that bikers bring into the city? Should the local eateries speak up to the thousands of dollars that are brought into the city by bikers? If Mr. Villalobos is so concerned about the tax base to the city, perhaps he should take an accounting of how much money bikers spend when having some fun.

Therefore, Mr. Villalobos, find a lower level of relaxation to perch, cease the diatribe that you write and seek an alternative avenue for your Sunday morning and afternoons.

DAVE CONNOLLY
Napa/Solano HOG
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Youth Day
is
Saturday
April 29

It's time to enter the Youth Day Parade!



Courtesy photo

The Pleasants family home is undergoing renovation as part of the Joyful Ranch Foundation undertaking.

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wagon train in 1856. The Pleasants were among the first in the valley and were key to livestock and fruit production in California. “Twice Across the Plains” chronicles the Pleasants’ trips and beginning life in early California.

The (California) State Historical Resources Commission unanimously awarded the Pleasants’ Ranch Project placement on the National Register of Historic Places on Nov. 4, 2005, which also places the project on the State Historic Register, according to a press release from the Joyful Ranch Foundation, a non-profit public benefit corporation.

The Foundation’s first project will be the Wm. James Pleasants’ Restoration Project. In all, 13 buildings were included in the award. The first building to be addressed will be the main Victorian House, built in 1891. Ethel Hoskins, Wm. James Pleasants’ granddaughter, still lives in the home. Further restoration to other outbuildings, e.g., smoke house, barns, etc., will follow. The entire project will take 8-10 years.

The Hoskins’-Pleasants’ Joyful Ranch has already been involved with a four-year Pleasants Creek Restoration Project, with a primary focus of removing invasive Arrundo and re-stabilizing the creek’s banks and repairing natural habitat. The project is currently in its 4th year. Great success has been seen: the water table has begun to rise toward its original level, numerous varieties of wildlife are returning to their native habitat, and creek banks are stabilizing.

Hoskins-Pleasants Joyful Ranch has partnered in this venture — through numerous grants and volunteer hours — with Bureau of Reclamation, CA Alliance of Family Farmers, National & Solano Resource Conservation Districts, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, Lower Putah Creek Coordinating Committee, Solano County Farmlands and Open Space Foundation, US Fish and Wildlife Service, local Boy Scout

Troops and various community groups. The Joyful Ranch Foundation’s primary focus will be historic preservation and restoration and hosting events that will achieve that goal.

The Joyful Ranch Foundation has hired Program Manager Larry Franko of Northwest Consulting and Inspection, Inc, who recently conducted a Technical Assistant Audit and Historical Site Technical Assistance Study on the Pleasants Family Historical Site as part one of a multi-phase plan of the larger 8-10 year Wm. J. Pleasants Restoration Project. Franko has completed the audit and study on the main home, a Victorian House that was constructed by T. Ball; A. A. Cook was the architect.

The original ranch complex consisted of at least 32 structures; 13 of 29 still remaining today were awarded standing on the National and State Historic Registers on Nov. 4, 2005.

All 13 buildings were built between the late 19th and early 20th centuries, although Wm. J. Pleasants and his father, James Pleasants, had established the ranch by 1856. The Victorian is the first building to be restored within the complex.

Hoskins-Pleasants’ Joyful Ranch is located 10 miles northeast of Vacaville and 7 miles southwest of Winters. Of the 4000 original acres, 406 remain in the complex today. Owner Ethel Hoskins and the Joyful Ranch Non-Profit Foundation are in partnership to educate, enrich, renew, encourage and inspire with joy and integrity sound agricultural practices, historic preservation and nature conservation for local residents, visitors, and the benefit of the general public. Their goal is to protect local culture and to provide an opportunity for community members to benefit from and participate in a preserved and authentic historic venue, while so many other settings fade from public view.

Periodic news releases will update the public with the status of the Foundation’s projects and the events through which it hopes to enrich the lives of local residents and other visitors as to the wealth and value of local California history.

COUNCIL

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of all (not part) of the planning commissioners and council members, and said “If it turns out to be a donnybrook, well so be it.”

Stone objected to commissioners making comments to the public about the council that are not true and “things are being said that are causing the public to have a jaundiced view” of the council. He added that “their behavior is atrocious” and “something has got to be done, and we should do it as a group. Our job is to make sure that the public gets accurate information – that is the biggest part of our job.”

The one active agenda item was a police department presentation. Chief Bruce Muramoto introduced new reserve officer Don Shelton and he was sworn in by City Clerk Nanci Mills. He asked that his wife, Minerva Shelton, pin on his badge. She is a Sacramento FBI agent. Muramoto said “We welcome you to our family.” He also said we have doubled our number of reserve officers. “Now there are two.”

Muramoto then presented Officer Scott Leach with the Officer of the Year Award. Muramoto said that Leach was chosen by his peers and that Leach has shown a can-do, get-it-done attitude. He presented a medal and a plaque to Leach, and showed a new perpetual plaque for the station that will record names of Officers of the Year on a continuous basis. Muramoto will also present a plaque to last year’s Officer of the Year, Jose Ramirez . Ramirez will be the first entry on the perpetual plaque. He was unable to attend the meeting.

The city manager gave his report. Donlevy said the budget will be tight next year and there is a need to schedule a budget workshop with the city council

to discuss various budget issues including street maintenance and city services.

Other items:

~ Joe McCabe asked the council members “What can we do to keep the dollars in Winters?” He asked the council to note for future meetings that upcoming development projects have little provision for commercial businesses in the west end of Winters where the developments will be located. He said that one way to keep citizen spending in town is to provide convenience store shopping close to the new housing.

~ Glenn DeVries asked if there had been action on his request at a past meeting to consider changes to the rule that prevents conversion of homes to residential use, once they have been converted from residential to commercial. Donlevy said that something could be brought to the council at the April 18 meeting.

Next meeting

The Winters City Council meets again on Tuesday, April 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall.

Infant sign class offered

A free class on baby “language” will take place on Saturday, April 22, at 11 a.m. in the conference room at the Community Center. All are welcome to drop in and learn how to communicate with babies.

Trudi Schwarz, the presenter, earned her masters degree in child devel-

opment in 1997 and has worked as a social worker for several years with both biological families and foster children and families.

For more information, call Gloria Marion, recreation supervisor for the city of Winters, 795-4910, extension 102.



DAN MAGUIRE

CHAMBER DOINGS

March's Chamber mixer, hosted by John & Melanie Pickerel and the fabulous team from Buckhorn was a big success. A huge turnout sampled an unbelievable array of goodies from the kitchen of the Buckhorn in the relatively new digs of the DeVilbiss Room, the Buckhorn's new banquet room. I would estimate the turnout at almost twice that of most mixers, certainly a testimony to Buckhorn's reputation.

The "Steak'tinis" (steak salads served in an elegant martini glass) were unique and everyone was pretty much in agreement that the Buckhorn should host the mixer every month.

This year's HOG Vernal Equinox run had well in excess of 500 people enjoying the downtown area. The Chamber would like to acknowledge the great job done by Chris Jones of Chris' Florist coordinating all the logistics of the event. These Harley owners enjoyed the amenities of our downtown for a day and spent more than a few dollars at our local merchants. Hopefully, a number of them will come back to visit and

patronize our local businesses.

We're only about one month away from one of the greatest community events I know of. Youth Day is Saturday, April 29. Starting with the traditional Rotary pancake breakfast, followed by the parade, then with the balance of the day spent enjoying the booths and activities at City Park, this unique Winters tradition is one of the best parts of our hometown. As usual, the Chamber is hosting the "adult" beverage booth and we can always use volunteers to help us. Please call me at the Chamber (795-2329) if you can spare a couple of hours that Saturday.

The Chamber has a number of committees steering a variety of projects forward. The Downtown Committee, in conjunction with the city of Winters, is working on a merchant signage program. The Vision Committee is working on a variety of projects, including drafting recommendations for the expansion of Rotary Park as well as formulating plans for multiple mural projects. The Member Services Committee is researching WEB design

services for a major upgrade to the Chamber site. They are also well into a project designed to expand the member benefits we as a Chamber offer.

Whether your interest is beautification, the downtown business district, Chamber support of the education community, or any of the other areas this Chamber tries to impact, stop by the office and talk to me about ways to volunteer. Help this Chamber accomplish its mission of fostering economic prosperity for the local business community. So many good things are happening in Winters. The more people we can get involved, the more we will accomplish.

April Mixer

April's Chamber mixer will be hosted by Winters EyeCare at their new office at 101 East Grant on Monday, April 10, from 5:30-7 p.m. Dr. Ed and Janet Anderson did a remarkable job gutting and refinishing the old Griffin property.

If you haven't been inside Dr. Ed's new offices, you really should join us for this mixer. Ed and Janet did a wonderful job bringing an old house back to life and as a result, we now have a beautiful "new" optometrist facility that will serve our community for years to come.

Everyone in the community is welcome to attend mixers and get to know our local business owners.

Welcome to Winters



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Winters Chamber of Commerce president Dan Maguire welcomes Victoria Davis, owner of Textures, to the Winters business community. Textures features rustic style gifts, knick-knacks, kitchenware and other miscellaneous household items, and is located at 7 East Main Street. It is open Wednesday through Saturday. For more information, call 795-3980.



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Winter Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Dan Maguire welcomes Michele Drumright, owner of the Halau Hula a Lei Hali'a hula dance studio to the Winters business community. The studio is located at 305 First Street and offers dance classes for adults and children. For more information, call 795-3133.

Chamber gets youth grant

The Winters Chamber of Commerce has received a grant from the Wide Wide World Fund of the Yolo Community Foundation to continue its partnership with the high school to facilitate the transition of students from school to career. For the fourth year, the Chamber will sponsor the high school Job Club, which assists interested students in preparing to enter the business world upon graduation. Important subjects such as resume preparation, job interview techniques, work ethic and career exploration are among the many things discussed in the Job Club. Karen Benson-Neil is the Chamber representative to the club.

In addition, the grant will enable the Chamber to sponsor the Work Ready Certificate Program. High school students applying for the WRC are verified by the school that they have met required standards in areas such as attendance, math, English, computer literacy and communication skills.

The Chamber will also use the grant to provide some field trips for students interested in attending local career fairs, job shadowing and career exploration opportunities.

Entertainment

Quique Critique

By Debra Lo Guercio

YUM! That is the best way to summarize Slow Food Yolo Conviviums's Spanish feast, held on Saturday, March 25, at Tufts Packing Shed. The event featured authentic Spanish fare, such as chorizo (spicy sausage), paella (rice), miga (a pepper-based soup served alongside tiny dough-balls) and polvorone (almond cookies). The day began with a table filled with appetizers, and wine tasting sponsored by Berryessa Gap Vineyard, which has expanded its production to the Tufts Packing Shed. Vintner Mike Anderson explained that the winery had simply outgrown its former accommodations and needed more room. Following appetizers, those in attendance enjoyed the main meal, and listened to a presentation by Winters resident Gloria Lopez, who recounted the history of the Spaniards' arrival in California (many came via working the sugar cane fields in Hawaii), and explained the importance of farming and family to Spanish culture.

The day was wrapped up with a variety of Spanish cookies and coffee, and the entire thing was organized by Georgeanne Brennan of Winters and Ann Evans of Davis, both members of Slow Food Yolo Convivium, part of the larger Slow Food USA. The group meets several times a year to celebrate "slow" food (as opposed to fast food), reminding people to enjoy food and meals at a leisurely pace. To find out more about Slow Flood Yolo Convivium, go online to www.slowfoodyolo.com.

Bravo to Brennan, Evans, Lopez and everyone who did all the cooking and preparations. It was a fabulous way to spend a Saturday afternoon.

The next Art Walk is April 1, beginning at noon.

Enjoy the art and the atmosphere in downtown Winters.

Heart reunites at Dixon May Fair

- Heart, the renowned rock group starring sisters Ann and Nancy Wilson, will perform on opening night, Thursday, May 11 at the 131st annual Dixon May Fair.

"This is going to be a big, big show authentic rock," said fair manager Mike Green. "They're one of rock's premier live attractions, drawing sell-out crowds wherever they go. They will get the fairgrounds rocking."

The concert begins at 8 p.m. in the outdoor concert arena. Tickets, \$35 general and \$39.50 reserved, go on sale at 10 a.m., Saturday, March 25 at the Dixon May Fair office, 655 S. First Street, and online at www.ticketmaster.com and at all Ticketmaster outlets.

Known for such early hits as Dreamboat Annie, Crazy on You, Magic Man and All I Want to Do Is Make Love to You, they first began storming the charts in the 1970s, selling 30 million records and landing 21 hits in the top 40.

After a decade-long lapse while they pursued other endeavors, they just regrouped and released Jupiters Darling, containing original tunes. Another recent work is their 2003 double-CD and DVD, Alive in Seattle.

Of their hiatus from Heart in the late 1990s, Ann Wilson said: "We were involved in a side band called The Lovemongers; Nancy has done a lot of soundtrack work and released a solo album, and we've both gone on tour on our own."

They recently regrouped because "the climate for music has changed," Ann said. "There is a real hunger out



Courtesy photo

Nancy and Ann Wilson reunite as Heart at the Dixon May Fair.

there for authentic rock."

She described the bond between the two as "not only love but a musical bond that is universal, and I think, pretty timeless."

We were one of the first or maybe the first pair of women to come out and just say: "Well, we don't know the rules so we're not going to follow them?" she said. "I think a lot of people want to see what it is that we do that nobody else does." They produced several Heart albums in the 1990s. All I Want to Do is Make Love to You, from the 1990 Brigade album, reached No. 2 on the charts and was followed by two more top 25 hits, I Didn't Want to Need You and Stranded. When they took a break from Heart to launch Lovemongers, they cut the Led Zeppelin cover, Battle of Evermore.

The Wilsons said they are convinced that their work apart is good for their music. This October they will team

with Sheryl Crow, Melissa Ethridge, Wynonna Judd, Cyndi Lauper and other female artists in Girls with Guitars, a live concert and Lifetime Television special benefiting breast cancer.

This year's Dixon May Fair, the oldest fair in California, is themed The Little Fair That Could ." The fair opens on Thursday night, May 11 with an 8 p.m. rock concert featuring Heart, starring Nancy and Ann Wilson. The Friday night concert stars Carrie Underwood and the Saturday night concert, Ashlee Simpson. Highlighting Sunday's entertainment is a demolition derby, changed from a two-night show last year to a Sunday afternoon event. More information is available from the fair Web site, www.dixon-mayfair.com or by telephoning the main office at 707-678-5529. Mike Green may be reached at mgreen@dixon-mayfair.com.

More teams sought for Quiz Show

By REBECCA FRIDAE
Special to the Express

So far there are five teams, including the Singing Smarties, which will take on the champion Quiz Show team, The Super Terrific Happy Fun Trivia Team at the third annual Friends of the Library Quiz Show, this Saturday at 7 p.m. at the Community Center.

Trivia questions range from a variety of categories, including current events, Winters trivia, sports, and science. Teams of five pay a registration fee of \$100 and compete for a prize of \$300. Registration forms are at the library, or for a \$10 late fee teams can register at the start of the event.

Here is a sample of the questions from last year's show. 1) On a shark, where would you find its nictitating membrane? 2) What do presidents Jefferson, Nixon and Truman have in common with any common man? 3) Within a year, how old is Prince Harry? 4) In what cartoon do the parents listen to the advice of Dr. Lipshiz? 5) To the people in the 20s, what was a flivver? 6) What was the name of the restaurant before it was Putah Creek Cafe?

The answers are 1) covering its eyeball; 2) They are just like any Tom, Dick, or Harry; 3) 20 (21 this year); 4) Rugrats; 5) Model T; 6) Myrna's.

If an individual is looking for a team to join, he or she may leave contact information at the library for teams to be put together. There is a \$2 entrance fee for spectators who are encouraged to come to support their favorite teams. Refreshments during intermission will be provided by the Friends.

For rules of the game or more information, call Rebecca Fridae 795-4600, or visit the Winters Library.

Art auction to benefit counseling

Art to Benefit Charities will present an art auction with proceeds benefiting the Yolo Family Service Agency, which supports counseling services for low-income families.

The art auction will feature local artists, including Heidi Bekebrede, Marie

Therese Brown, Philippe Gandiol, David Hollowell, Terry Hollowell, Linnea Wong and others.

The auction will be April 1, 6-9 p.m. at Briggs & Co., 820 Railroad Avenue in Winters.

For more information, call 662-2211.

Dinner supports center

Over 50 performers will take the stage at the Davis Memorial Veterans Center, at 203 East 14th Street in Davis on April 8 to entertain and raise funds for the Sexual Assault & Domestic Violence Center of Yolo County.

The event will commence at 5 p.m. with a silent auction, followed by dinner at 6 p.m. and the show at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5

For more information, call 661-6336.

On the beat



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

Officer Donald Shelton is sworn into office as a reserve Winters police officer at the March 21 city council meeting.

POLICE

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March 22

~ A 17-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for battery. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Juvenile Hall for incarceration.

March 23

~ Jennifer Christine Appling, 34, of Winters was driving westbound on Edwards Street preparing to turn southbound onto Haven Street. Her vehicle struck Charlene Williams, 66, of Winters, who was walking eastbound within the crosswalk while performing her duties as a school crossing guard. At the time of the collision, the vehicle was traveling at an estimated speed of under 5 mph.

~ Josef Ohlhauser, 91, of Winters was traveling southbound on Third Street and struck a legally parked vehicle owned by Beatrice Jordan of Winters.

~ In the alley behind 2 Main Street, an unoccupied delivery truck was entered and property was stolen. Loss: \$630.

~ Robert John Fox, 35, of Winters was booked and released on a District Attorney letter charging him with inflicting corporal injury on a cohabitant, abusing or endangering the health of a child and battery on a cohabitant.

~ Stacey Elissa Allen, 36, of Winters was booked and released on a District Attorney letter charging her with inflicting corporal injury on a cohabitant, abusing or endangering the health of a child and battery on a cohabitant.

March 24

~ A vehicle owned by Leah Meredith Marlin, of Dixon, was legally parked northbound in front of 206 Railroad Avenue. Gayle

Derieux, 56, of Fairfield was driving northbound on Railroad Avenue and struck the left side mirror of Marlin's vehicle.

March 24-25

~ On the first block of East Main Street, forcible entry was gained to a vehicle and property was stolen. Loss: \$349.

March 25

~ At First Street north of Main Street, a vehicle owned by Samuel Molina of Winters was legally parked facing southbound on First Street. An unknown driver of a vehicle made an unsafe turning movement, struck the parked vehicle and fled the scene.

March 26

~ A 16-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for obstructing/resisting a police officer. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to Yolo County Juvenile Hall for incarceration.

~ Jonathan Thomas Ashe, 19, of North Highlands was issued a notice to appear for possessing less than an ounce of marijuana.

~ Ricky Allen Freeny, Jr., 20, of Rancho Cordova was issued a notice to appear for possessing less than an ounce of marijuana and no proof of insurance.

~ A 16-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for driving under the influence of marijuana, possessing tobacco products, no proof of insurance and no front license plate on the vehicle. The juvenile was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

March 27

~ Martin Chris Jensen, 43, of Esparto was issued a notice to appear for possessing less than an ounce of marijuana.

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Sports

McIntire, Smith lead JV team to win

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Winters Warriors JV baseball team beat the visiting Wheatland Pirates 8-5 last Thursday, March 23, in their Butte View League opener. Kaplan Smith picked up the win on the mound throwing the first three innings for the Warriors, giving up three runs and striking out three. Ray McIntire pitched the last four innings for the save and gave up just one run and had one strikeout.

At the plate the Warriors did a good job of putting the ball in play with numerous players getting hits. McIntire and Smith helped themselves out batting 2 for 3 with a double and 2 runs scored and 2 for 3 with a double, a run scored and 2 RBI respectively. Cody Campos also batted 2 for 3 with 2 runs scored. Patrick Keuhn batted 1 for 3 with two runs scored and had a big RBI double. Alex Huizar batted 1 for 3 and Davis Adams scored a run for the Warriors.

“We played a solid game,” said coach Daniel Ward. “We were ahead the whole game and we were able to hang on when Wheatland fought back.”



Photo by Eric Lucero

Freshman Ray McIntire sends the ball over home plate.

Varsity softball shutout in league opener

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Winters High School varsity softball team lost to the visiting Wheatland Pirates 13-0 in the Warriors league opener on Thursday, March 23. The Warriors only got one hit in the game from Ashley Kraintz who batted 1 for 2. Kelsey Fox was the only other Warrior to get on base by a walk.

Caitlin Calvert pitched the first two innings for the Warriors allowing eight hits. The Warriors committed five errors in the first two innings. Jessica Graham pitched 3 solid innings for the Warriors allowing six hits with one strike out.

“The infield really came together behind Jessica and

played strong ball,” said coach Traci Calvert. “At the plate we did not strike out and I’m feeling very positive about that,” Calvert added.

On Friday, March 24, the Warriors played in the River City tournament against Yuba City in their first game and lost 10-0.

“Defensively we only committed one error and errors have hurt us all season so far,” Calvert said. “It was nice to have some progress in that area.”

Graham pitched a complete game for the Warriors allowing 10 runs and 12 hits but struck out eight batters along the way. Graham also helped herself out at the plate by hitting a single and a triple. Adrienne Lizarraga had a single, while Kraintz continues to improve and

puts the ball in play almost every time at bat.

“We were hitting the ball well,” Calvert said. “But we just kept hitting it right to them.”

The Warriors second game was against Mesa Verde and the Warriors lost 6-0. Calvert threw a complete game for the Warriors allowing six runs, seven hits and had five strike outs. The Warriors played another good defensive game giving up just four errors. Center fielder Amber Johnson made some great plays including an incredible catch that robbed a Mesa Verde player of a multiple base hit. Johnson also had one of the Warriors three hits. Calvert had a double and Graham had a single for the Warriors.

Swimmers beat Pioneer in first meet

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Winters High School swim team had their first meet last Thursday, March 23, against Pioneer High School in Woodland and came home with a sweep. The boys won 82-69 and the girls won 94-71. “We had a terrific meet,” said coach Kevin Chester. “We had two relay teams and four individual section qualifying times in our first meet.”

Individually, Amy

Cross qualified in two events winning the 100 butterfly with a time of 1:10.0 and the 500 freestyle with a time of 5:48.40. Tyler Cross qualified with a winning time of 1:05.16 in the 100 breaststroke and won the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:12.33. Maraka Bouwens qualified with a winning time of 1:07.73 in the 100 backstroke, while Justin Rominger was just six tenths of a second from qualifying for sections in his individual event.

The girls 200 medley relay team of Dora

Anasteasi, Jamie Anderson, Bouwens and Cross qualified for sections with a winning time of 2:08.40. The boys 200 medley relay team of Cross, Rominger, Jordan Shugart and Richard Atherton qualified with a winning time of 1:53.73. The same boys’ team won the 400 free relay.

“We have a really strong team,” Chester said. “We have 22 swimmers and a good chance at a league title. The kids got really pumped up after the win.”

Warriors win 2-1 in non league action

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

The Winters High School varsity baseball team scored two runs in the first inning and held on to a 2-1 victory over the visiting Dixon Rams on Tuesday, March 14. Brenden Benson led the Warriors off with a bunt then stole second. Jacob Thorne grounded out but moved Benson to third. Danny Campos and Nick Hedrick were both hit by a pitch to load the bases be-

fore Sebastian Salas was walked for the Warriors first run. Nathanael Lucero then hit a sacrifice fly for the Warriors second and final run of the game. The Warriors threatened to score a few times but were unable to cross the plate. Dixon scored their run in the second inning.

Salas got the win for the Warriors as he started on the mound and threw five complete innings, with two strikeouts, three walks, and three hits and gave up one run. Thorne picked up

a save as he came in to throw the last two innings and struck out five batters with no walks.

At the plate the Warriors only had two hits with Campos batting 1 for 2 with a run scored and Benson batting 1 for 3 with a run scored. Lucero had an RBI with a sacrifice hit, while Salas had an RBI with a walk.

The Warriors went on to beat visiting Wheatland Pirates 4-1 on Thursday, March 23.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Amy Cross

Amy Cross, a sophomore on the Winters High School swim team, is this week’s Winters Express athlete of the week. In the Warriors first meet of the season, not only did Cross win two individual events and was a member of a winning relay team, she also qualified for the section meet in all three events. “Amy did an outstanding job,” said coach Kevin Chester. “To qualify for sections in the first meet is incredible.”



Parent input needed at a summer swim team meeting on April 6 at 7p.m. at the Community Center

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JUAN FERNANDEZ EVENTOS Y COMENTARIOS HISPANOS

La encrucijada migratoria

Hay incertidumbre. Nadie sabe cuál va a ser el resultado, ni exactamente cuáles las reformas migratorias que finalmente serán aprobadas por el Congreso de Estados Unidos, pero en el panel del Comité Judicial del Senado —por primera vez en mucho tiempo— los grandes temas están sobre la mesa. No hay acuerdos previos, ni consensos y es difícil construirlos en una sociedad profundamente dividida frente al tema de la inmigración. Desde entonces, las distintas leyes y medidas adoptadas en Estados Unidos que atañen el tema de la inmigración se han vinculado con seguridad, control de las fronteras, aplicación de las leyes, combate a los “ilegales” como llaman a los indocumentados.

Lo importante ahora, en el Senado, es que está abierta, por primera vez en mucho tiempo la discusión de todos los temas relativos a la inmigración, no sólo los de seguridad y control de fronteras, que han predominado, sino también los relativos a la situación de cerca de 12 millones de indocumentados —de los que 56% son mexicanos— y a la necesidad que tiene la economía estadounidense del trabajo de los inmigrantes, lo que ha llevado a plantear distintas modalidades de un programa de trabajo temporal, con el fin de reducir el número de “ilegales” ampliando el número de visas.

El tema de la migración se ha vinculado con el de la seguridad interna, desde la ley que creó el Departamento de Seguridad Interior (DHS), cuando todos los temas relativos a migración, fronteras, aduanas, pasaron a formar parte de la seguridad y se ubicaron en ese Departamento. En Estados Unidos, la migración dejó de ser un tema del Departamento de Estado y por tanto vinculado a la política exterior estadounidense, pasando a ser un asunto de política interna.

En relación con la inmigración, las posiciones de los estadounidenses son ambivalentes, como es la aplicación de las leyes migratorias que en la frontera persigue a los indocumentados y que tierra adentro permite que los empleadores les den trabajo. Los indocumentados representan ya 5% de la fuerza laboral en Estados Unidos. Un sondeo publicado el pasado día 10 de marzo, señala que 42% de los encuestados consideró que los indocumentados están teniendo un “impacto favorable” en California, comparado con sólo 19% en 1982.

Esto es importante si se considera que el mayor número de indocumentados son mexicanos —en California y en Estados Unidos— y que la sociedad estadounidense ha estado sometida a un bombardeo mediatizado de gran intensidad por grupos como Minuteman y de parte de distintas emisoras de televisión y radio que han puesto en marcha una enorme campaña a nivel nacional contra la inmigración y específicamente contra la inmigración indocumentada mexicana.

Pero por otro lado, 52% de los estadounidenses consideran que una elevada inmigración sería una amenaza muy grave para Estados Unidos, y 52% se opone a un programa de empleo temporal, aunque 64% lo apoyaría si a cambio hubiera más seguridad en la frontera o más combate al narcotráfico por parte del gobierno de México.

Debieran pesar a favor de una reforma migratoria integral —además de realidades insostenibles como son 12 millones de indocumentados—, las posiciones e intereses de los empresarios, sindicatos e iglesias que, por distintas razones, se han movido a favor del trabajo de los inmigrantes y de la necesidad de que los indocumentados puedan incluso alcanzar la regularización y tener una mayor estabilidad.

La Conferencia de Obispos católicos, por ejemplo, apoya la iniciativa Kennedy-McCain que plantea no sólo el trabajo temporal sino un camino para la regularización migratoria de los indocumentados. “Los extranjeros. no son estadísticas, no son ‘puntos a discutir’ sino personas que a través del sacrificio y el arduo trabajo buscan mejorar sus vidas.”

El panel del Senado que pretende elaborar un proyecto de ley migratoria tiene que superar el gran obstáculo que para una visión integral, moderna y que reconozca realidades sociales, colocó la Ley Sensenbrenner de la Cámara de Representantes que plantea sólo cuestiones de seguridad y control: La construcción de un muro de mil kilómetros en la frontera con México y la criminalización de los inmigrantes (todos, los 12 millones), el aumento de presupuesto y efectivos para controlar la frontera.

La discusión sobre las leyes migratorias en el Congreso tiene lugar en un año electoral. Y no pocos políticos se aferran a discursos anti-inmigrante que continúan envenenando el ambiente y la vecindad. ¿Puede abrirse paso una reforma amplia que reconozca realidades sociales? Difícilmente.

Más aún cuando el presidente Bush, debilitado, no compromete su liderazgo en el tema, tiene un discurso ambivalente y no va a fondo en materia migratoria. Y el presidente Fox desde hace mucho extravió la definición y el impulso de una política migratoria.

Malgastos del Gobierno

Hay que reconocer que en una cosa es bien eficiente este gobierno de Bush: en disponer de miles de millones de dólares para reconstruir cualquier cosa y que, aparte de que los beneficiados con los contratos sean más o menos siempre los mismos, se “pierdan” o se mal administren cantidades exorbitantes de dinero. Pasó y sigue pasando con Afganistán y con Irak y lo mismo con el huracán Katrina. Guerras y huracanes no le envidian nada al manejo gubernamental de Bush y su equipo, que parece más destructivo que las propias guerras y los benditos huracanes.

La semana pasada salió un reporte más que lo confirma, uno entre muchos, ya que hace años que la evidencia sobre los malos manejos de Bush, Cheney y compañía (o compañías, las de sus amigos y asociados) se ha venido dando a conocer.

La más reciente la dio la GAO, que es el brazo investigador del Congreso y un implacable auditor de malgastos gubernamentales: millones de dólares en fondos destinados a las víctimas y la reconstrucción de las áreas devastadas por Katrina el año

pasado se han desperdiciado. No extraña, señores, cuando la mayoría de los contratos grandes fue otorgada sin competencia o licitación, así como de forma improvisada, como si el gobierno del país más grande y supuestamente eficiente y productivo del planeta fuera un mal ejemplo de coordinación por parte de los Tres Chiflados.

Por ejemplo, la Oficina Federal de Emergencias (FEMA) gastó 10 millones de dólares en la renovación de unas barracas militares en Alabama, sin consultar a las autoridades locales, que gritaban como locas que esa localidad en particular no era necesaria.

No les fue mucho mejor en el control de los gastos: se gastaron millones en hoteles de lujo en Nueva York, Florida y Chicago para víctimas del huracán. Buenísimo para los damnificados que lo aprovecharon, pero totalmente absurdo: no es una forma recomendable de gastar eficientemente el dinero público.

Casualmente, dos de las compañías beneficiadas con contratos de esos “raros” para la reconstrucción por daños de Katrina tienen íntimos lazos

(¡sorpresa!) con el gobierno de Bush: Bechtel, que también es una gran beneficiaria de los contratos para Irak y Afganistán, y Gulf Stream Coach.

Por supuesto, ahí están también las evidencias sobre el malgasto en Afganistán e Irak. Más de 8 mil millones de dólares otorgados a contratistas privados se han esfumado, sin que nadie pueda determinar en qué se gastaron —todas estas cifras provienen de estudios realizados por organizaciones serias— pero hasta ahora no se sabe que el gobierno haya intentado recuperar ni un cinco de ese dinero por medio de los tribunales.

Total, ellos saben bien adónde ha ido a parar gran parte del dinero que sale de los bolsillos de los contribuyentes: a los bolsillos de más de 70 compañías e individuos que han contribuido con más de medio millón de dólares a las campañas presidenciales de George W. Bush.

Por eso a veces uno no puede aguantar un comentario sarcástico cuando salen estos gringos a “preocuparse” por el estado de la democracia y la corrupción en otros países.

Alarma por la tasa de accidentes laborales mortales entre los hispanos

Un total de 883 trabajadores hispanos perdieron la vida en accidentes laborales en 2004 en EEUU, lo que representa un incremento del 10 por ciento respecto al 2003, según datos difundidos por el Departamento del Trabajo de este país. En Estados Unidos mueren al día 2,4 empleados hispanos de media, lo que sitúa a este grupo étnico a la cabeza en accidentes laborales fatales en Estados Unidos, donde se registró un total de 5.703 muertes en 2004.

“Hay una incidencia desproporcionada de accidentes mortales y leves entre los trabajadores hispanos en EEUU”, Luis Santiago, director de la Administración de Seguridad y Salud Ocupacional (OSHA). A su juicio, son dos los factores que gravitan sobre estas cifras: en primer lugar el idioma, “que es una barrera fundamental, ya que impide una capacitación adecuada de los trabajadores hispanos para que conozcan los riesgos laborales”.

En segundo lugar, advirtió de que la cultura his-

pana de la obediencia, “en la que nunca se objeta a los patrones sobre las condiciones de seguridad”, incide también en el alto número de siniestros laborales. Los latinos “nunca objetan en sus países lo que dicen los padres, profesores o patrones, precisó Santiago, para quien “muchos de los hispanos que entran indocumentados tienen temor a protestar”. “No se quejan ante el empleador por miedo a la deportación”, subrayó.

En conjunto, el incremento de accidentes mortales se evidencia tanto entre los hispanos nacidos fuera de EEUU (578 accidentes fatales) como entre aquellos que lo hicieron en este país (305). Según los datos aportados por el Departamento de Trabajo, la actividad laboral que totalizó un mayor número de víctimas mortales fue el sector de la construcción, con un 23 por ciento.

Pese a que las muertes por accidentes laborales cayeron de 6.632 en 1994 a 5.703 en 2004, esta última cifra representa un incremento del 2 por ciento respecto a 2002 y 2003.

Program helps disabled, elderly

Adult day health programs provide health and social services that can significantly improve the lives of adults with physical or cognitive impairments. The programs’ support and resources enable individuals to maintain independence, self-sufficiency and personal care capabilities while pre-

venting hospitalizations and delaying nursing home care.

Yolo Adult Day Health Center, a collaboration of Woodland Healthcare and Yolo County, has been serving the community since 1984.

For more information about the program, call 666-8828.

Amnistia

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

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

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

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

Folklorico to dazzle Mondavi

The vivid and joyful spirit of traditional Mexican music and dance will come to the Robert and Margrit Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts at UC Davis next month with Ballet Folklorico “Quetzalli” de Veracruz. Named for a colorful bird of its home state, Veracruz, the company has delighted audiences from Europe to Indonesia with its spectacular and colorful expression of authentic Mexican folklore with performances that combine dazzling costumes, insistent rhythms, and an infectious spirit of celebration.

The event begins at 8 p.m. on April 29, in Mondavi Center’s Jackson Hall on the UC Davis campus. Tickets are available from the Mondavi Center Ticket Office at 754-2787 or online at MondaviArts.org. Teachers, educators, and others interested in purchasing tickets may contact the ticket office at 754-4689.

Help available for victims of domestic violence

The Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Center offers shelter for Yolo County women and children who are victims of domestic violence. The shelter is located in Davis.

In addition to shelter, the center offers a 24-hour crisis line, community education and outreach, legal support and counsel-

ing groups for men, women and children affected by domestic violence.

The SADVC has served Yolo County since 1977. Wendy Rodrigues serves as the executive director.

For more information about the SADVC, call 661-6336.

To reach the 24-hour crisis line, call 662-1133.

Youth Day is Saturday, April 29

The Winters Youth Day Committee needs help
To volunteer, call 795-2329

Schools

Summer recreation program sign-ups begin

Don't miss out on a great opportunity to participate in a recreation class or program! With the summer quickly approaching, the city of Davis Parks and Community Services Department has a number of classes and activities for toddlers, preschoolers, school-aged children, teens, adults and many

family oriented special events.

Registration is now being taken for recreation classes and programs offered June through August. You can review the Summer Recreation Schedule online at www.cityofdavis.org/pcs/wereg or pick one up at the Parks and Community Ser-

vices Department, 23 Russell Boulevard, Davis.

Priority registration is currently being taken either on-line or by mail. All registration applications received between today and March 31 will be entered into a lottery. Class spots will then be filled at random by computer, using our activity registra-

tion software's lottery draw feature.

Open registration (walk-in registration) begins on Wednesday, April 26. For your convenience, the Parks and Community Services office is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

If you have any further questions contact our office at 757-5626.



Courtesy photo

Zachary Linton holds his wrestling trophy.

Winters Wrestling Club bring home honors

By RORY LINTON
Special to the Express

Winters wrestlers impressed the coastal mountain wrestling associations, as seven Winters Wrestling Club kids traveled to Healdsburg to wrestle in the Dan Gable folkstyle tournament.

Chris Calderone in the School Boy division did an excellent job, placing first. Chris pinned both his opponents. Chris's brother, Andrew Calderone, and teammate Mason Rodriguez also went undefeated for first place.

Taking a tough second place were Ben Case, Jacob Lowrie and Dan Hausler, all going for two wins and one loss. Zachary Linton placed third with three wins and one loss.

The next week, the team split up with Hausler, Zachary and Cody Linton, Mike Lopez and Jesse Hellinger going to the Western States Championships in Clovis. The rest of the team traveled to Pleasant Hill for a

freestyle tournament.

The Pleasant Hill Tournament was Freestyle and Greco Roman. Placing first in freestyle was Jesse Hellinger in the Cadet Division, Devan Turner in the midget division and Tyler Turner in the pee wee division. Morgan Nicholas took second in the bantam division and Michael Lopez placed third in the novice division.

Nicholas, Lopez and Hellinger wrestled Greco Roman, also placing. Nicholas placed second, Lopez placed third and Hellinger took first.

Also wrestling hard were Carlos Rubio and Logan Just, both defeated before medal rounds.

Fourteen of the Wrestling Club kids will go to Reno for a national tournament this weekend: Cliff Keen's World of Wrestling. Reno Worlds. This is one of the toughest tournaments in the United States. There will be about 3,000 kids from all over the country wrestling in all age divisions.

Students earn FFA degrees

On March 17, the Winters FFA took eight students to Sheldon High School to receive their FFA State Degree. The eight students included Breanne Benson, Tyler Cross, Sarah Hayes, Jorge Huizar, Ashley Krintz, Thomas Martin, Brock Neil, and Michael Smastrala.

The State Degree is the highest degree given to an FFA member in high school. To achieve the State Degree, an FFA member must complete at least three hundred hours in work and raise at least one thousand dollars in their projects. A students project can be either raising a country fair animal, a breeding project, or a work experience related to agriculture. The students were excited to receive their

state degree because it is such a great achievement. Now the students' goal is set for the American degree, which can be achieved in college.

During the state degree ceremony there were also awards given to the Star Counselor, Star Advisor, and the Home Town Hero. These awards are given to people who have helped and contributed their time in helping FFA members. Marcela Heredia was awarded the Star Counselor award for the Yolo section, Kent Benson was awarded with the Star Advisor for the Yolo Section, and the Hometown hero award was given to Bryan Cross. FFA wishes to thank the community for all of their help and hard work for the Winters FFA.

Grad Nite meeting planned

There is going to be a WHS Grad Nite Parent Group meeting Thursday, March 30, at 7 p.m. in the WHS Library. The annual Spirit Nite fundraiser was a big success and now it is time to plan the Grad Nite party.

The Grad Nite party is

held the night of graduation for all graduating high school seniors in Winters. Plans for the annual Grad Nite will be discussed as well as signing up volunteers. Everyone's help is needed to make this party a success.

Volleyball clinic offered for girls

A volleyball clinic for girls in grades 5-12 is being held by Jaclyn Stocking, senior at Winters High School, as part of her senior project. The camp will be held on Monday, April 10, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost per child is

\$20

It is recommended that you bring your own water and volleyball kneepads.

To sign up or for more information, call Jaclyn Stocking, 795-0128 or (707)-249-6160.

Scholarship available for bilingual students entering health careers

Seventy-five \$2,000 scholarships are available for Spanish-speaking, bicultural high-school students who want to pursue careers in the health care industry.

The scholarships, funded by the PacificCare Foundation, are offered on behalf of the UnitedHealthcare Latino Health Scholars program, which helps educate and encourage Hispanic and Latino students to pursue career opportunities in health care.

High-school seniors with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 and who

are fluent in Spanish and English are eligible. Applicants must show proof of acceptance into a university, community college or accredited technical college and must be enrolled in an approved health care program at the time they receive the scholarship. Applications are due May 29, 2006, and are available online at www.pacificarelatino.com.

Once again, the Latino Health Scholars program has been expanded to include - in addition to the seventy-five (75) \$2,000

scholarships - two \$25,000 Freedom Awards for the two most qualified applicants.

Since it was introduced in 2003, the Latino Health Scholars program has awarded \$356,000 to 155 students across the country who are pursuing diverse health care careers such as Nursing, Pre-Med, Biology, Psychology, Biomedical Engineering and other allied health professions.

"We are encouraging our scholarship recipients to utilize their bilingual and bicultural skills and health

care education by 'giving back' to their communities once they graduate," Bennett added. "We are doing our part in the community by enlisting the help of many of our employees who have volunteered to serve as ambassadors by visiting the high schools and assisting students interested in a career in health care."

Features

Atrial fibrillation can lead to stroke

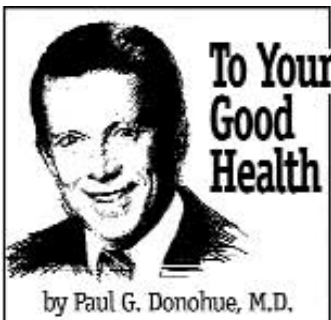
DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am 83 and have longevity on both sides of my family. Recently I had atrial fibrillation. I keep being advised to go on Coumadin. I am doing much research on it, and everything I find makes me decide against it and stick with one aspirin a day. Please advise your opinion of Coumadin. A 92-year-old cousin had it prescribed, took it in the evening and bled to death the next morning. Taking it would stress me out. I would worry about bleeding all the time. —W.L.

ANSWER: Where are you doing the research? It's not giving you the right answer. In atrial fibrillation, the atria, the upper heart chambers, are not contracting; they're squirming — fibrillating. Blood pools in fibrillating atria. Pooled blood forms clots. Pieces of those clots can break loose and be carried in the circulation to brain arteries. They block blood flow in brain arteries, and that's a stroke. You don't want to have a stroke.

Coumadin prevents clots from forming — that's its "blood-thinning" action. It truly lessens the risk of stroke. Aspirin is not as effective as Coumadin in preventing clots and strokes in people with atrial fibrillation. Coumadin can cause serious bleeding. However, people on the medicine have their blood checked frequently to make sure they are not getting too much or too little medicine.

Your cousin's story doesn't ring true. It takes days for Coumadin's blood-thinning effects to take hold.

The booklet on heartbeat irregularities deals with atrial fibrillation and other heart rhythm disturbances. Order a copy by writing to: Dr. Donohue — No. 107W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6.75 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.



DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I detect what I call my heart missing a beat every now and then. I have an annual physical and have had ECGs every year. My doctor says there's nothing wrong with my heart. What do you think it is I feel? —J.B.

ANSWER: My guess is that those missing beats are really premature ventricular contractions — PVCs. A PVC is an extra beat that arrives before the next programmed beat. You don't feel it. But after a PVC, there is a longer delay before the next beat, and the heart fills with a greater amount of blood.

When the normal beat arrives with an overfilled heart, you do feel that beat. It's like a light thud in the chest. Many people call it a skipped beat. Most of the time, PVCs are harmless and can be ignored. Your doctor has given you yearly exams and has found nothing wrong on your ECGs. You can believe him when he tells you your heart is healthy.

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. Readers may also order health newsletters from www.rbmamall.com. (c) 2006 North America Syndicate Inc. All Rights Reserved

Conservatives must show responsibility

Recently some of the most influential original proponents of regime change in Iraq have come to publicly accept that this policy was a mistake or has failed. These include William F. Buckley, founder of the National Review and a leading conservative intellectual for over four decades, and Francis Fukuyama, a neo-conservative star and signer of the mission statement of the single most influential neo-conservative organization: the Project for a New American Century (P.N.A.C.)

For these men, this must surely have been difficult considering the energy which each have publicly invested in this failed enterprise. For that reason, they are to be commended. In my view they are far ahead of the vast majority of their fellow ideologues who are still at least publicly in denial.

But something is missing. Most of us were taught from an early age that our words and actions have repercussions and thus carry responsibilities. This means that when we make a mistake we need to admit it, to apologize and to assume responsibility for the consequences. Essential to this process is a corresponding measure of regret, not only for the error of judgment but for any harm which this error may have caused. This is fundamental to a civilized society.

The invasion of Iraq was an egregious violation of the United Nations Charter (Chapter I, Article 2 Section 4 and Chapter VII, Article 39) as well as U.N. Security Council Resolution #1441. If Buckley and Fukuyama and the other influential advocates of regime change in Iraq had respected rather than disdained international law, the



U.S. might have avoided this calamity.

A week before the war was launched, for example, on Mar. 14, 2003: Buckley complained of "(t)he burden of the existing constitution of the United Nations..." Summing up the stance of a rogue state, he said: "The question then became a simple political one: Did the U.N. have the strength to deter the United States?" (Townhall.com)

In a recent National Review article (Feb. 24, 2006) Buckley wrote: "One can't doubt that the American objective in Iraq has failed." But we have yet to see any expression of regret for his role in helping bring about this bloody debacle. Indeed, after three years of massive Iraqi and American carnage his major concern seems to be the possible damage done to "the shrine of American idealism."

On Jan. 26, 1998, Francis Fukuyama and other members of the P.N.A.C. published the first of a series of open letters advocating regime change in Iraq. It called for: "... a new strategy...that should aim, above all, at the removal of Saddam Hussein's regime from power...This means a willingness to undertake military action as diplomacy is clearly failing." (P.N.A.C. letter to President Clinton) Soon after the Sept. 11 attacks, they wrote: "But even if evidence does not link Iraq directly to the attack, any strategy aiming at the eradication of terrorism and its sponsors must

include a determined effort to remove Saddam Hussein from power in Iraq." (P.N.A.C. letter to President Bush, Sept. 20, 2001)

To be fair to Mr. Fukuyama, he opposed the invasion of Iraq in 2003. Good for him. Unfortunately the momentum which he had already helped generate for regime change carried us into war anyway.

In his recent article, breaking with the neoconservatives ("After Neoconservatism" New York Times Magazine, Feb. 19, 2006) Fukuyama said that "the blood and treasure that the U.S. has spent on the project to this point" was not justified.

But this has not been an academic exercise. The human cost has been extravagant, and not only in American blood and treasure. Have we seen anything yet from any of these people hinting at an expression of remorse, or even an apology? As commendable as their candidness is, there is a glaring disconnect between their previous words and the consequences of those words. Buckley, Fukuyama and the people who encouraged them and followed their advice need to be called to account. They need a lesson in something that they and many other prominent "conservatives" have been preaching with gusto (for others) for years: individual responsibility. And the rest of the country and the world need for them and all future warmongers to be taught that lesson.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) With change dominant this week, don't be surprised to find new facts emerging that could put another slant on a situation and offer you another choice. Think it through before you decide.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) There could be some lingering problems from a previous matter that involved a decision you felt you had to make. Resolve the situation with your strong Taurean no-nonsense approach.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The Gemini's carefully made plans could be undone by someone's unexpected decision. Getting the full story behind that surprise move can help you decide how to deal with the matter.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Recently uncovered information might put a new light on a situation you thought had been resolved. Keep an open mind about possible changes that you might have to consider.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) With a potential revision of an old agreement, you can't beat the Big Cat for knowing how to sharpen a "clause" to the best advantage. Someone close could have the news you've been waiting for.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Certain issues in the workplace could put you in the middle of a dispute you'd rather not deal with. Express your honest feelings before the pressure to take sides builds up.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might feel uneasy disagreeing with someone you've been close to. But your relationship should be able to withstand and even thrive when confronted with your true feelings.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A romantic situation seems to be creating more confusion than you can handle. If so, own up to your feelings. The sooner you do, the better your chances are for working things out.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) With change directing the Archer's aim, consider a second look at your plans and see where they might benefit from a revision. A workplace matter is close to a resolution.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) New contacts help you learn some important information about upcoming developments. The week calls for the Sea Goat to be more flexible than usual in a number of matters.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) With both change and uncertainty in your aspect, you might feel less confident in a previous decision. That's OK. Check it out and see where it could be modified, if necessary.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Old relationships that seemed to be sinking are buoyant again, and new relationships are benefiting from Cupid's loving care. This could be a good time to make a major move.

BORN THIS WEEK: You prefer making your own path, but you'll go out of your way to help someone in need.

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINGOFF

FIND AT LEAST 8 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.

A. Hand is moved. B. Car is moved. C. Bird is different.
D. Hand is moved. E. Car is moved. F. Bird is different.
G. Hand is moved. H. Car is moved. I. Bird is different.

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“Never pray for justice, because you might get some.”
~ Margaret Atwood

Pleased to meet you

Name: Ray Massei
Occupation: Retired district manager for circulation of the San Francisco Examiner
Hobby: Growing roses
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Fun fact: Ran away to join the circus at age 15, where he ate razor blades and fire as part of his act.

King Crossword

Answers

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7-52p

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Application/Info

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Third Shift

Jelly Belly Candy Company, makers of Jelly Belly gourmet jelly beans and other fine confections, is seeking a Maintenance Supervisor to direct the work of our third shift Maintenance Department, reporting to our Plant Maintenance Manager, at our Fairfield headquarters. The successful candidate will have extensive experience in maintenance supervision. Strong troubleshooting skills and ability to read electrical schematics is required. Experience in food processing manufacturing is preferred.

We offer a competitive salary and a wide range of benefits, including health insurance and profit sharing.

Please send resume with salary requirements to: Attn: Human Resources, PO Box 86, Fairfield, CA 94533-0008; or e-mail us at jobs@jellybelly.com. Only qualified candidates will be contacted to set up an appointment. We are an equal opportunity employer. Employment is dependent upon successfully completing a pre-placement background inquiry and physical exam that includes a screen for the detection of drugs.



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Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
March 22, 2006
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Valerie Clinton, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2006-314

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Quality Valve Testing Service, 116 Broadway Ln, Winters, CA 95694

Full name of registrant(s), residence address, James M. Whitaker, Winters, CA 95694 and Wendy M. Whitaker, Winters, CA 95694.

This business classification is: Husband and Wife.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name or names listed above on 01/01/06.

s/James M. Whitaker

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State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
s/Valerie Clinton, Deputy Clerk
March 30, April 6, 13, 20, 2006

Notice of Trustee Sale

ITS No. T05-19903-CA Loan No. 0082412487 Notice of Trustee's Sale YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 6/16/2004. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, Cashier's Check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a deed of trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Alfonso Mederos, an unmarried man Duly Appointed Trustee: Town & Country Title Services, Inc. Recorded 06/28/2004 as Instrument No. 2004-0028523-00 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, Date of Sale: 4/13/2006 at 12:45 PM Place of Sale: At the north entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$119,198.63 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 306 Edwards Street Winters, CA 95694 A.P.N.: 03-143-05-1 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this notice of sale. Date: 3/23/2006 Town & Country Title Services, Inc. 505 City Parkway West, Suite 200 Orange, California 92668 (714) 634-8967 (714) 573-1965 Reinstatement Line: 714-634-2474 Ext 34101 Carolyn Zeller, Trustee Technician P242878 3/23, 3/30, 04/06/2006

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, April 24, 2006, or as soon as possible thereafter, in the Council Chambers, City Offices, 318 First Street, Winters, California 95694.

PROJECT LOCATION: 125 CARRION COURT, ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBER 003-360-21.

APPLICATION TYPE: The Planning Commission is conducting a public hearing to solicit comments regarding the proposed Site Plan for the construction of a new single-family residence.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project applicant, Douglas Morgan, proposes to build a 2988 square foot single-family, one-story residence with 3 bedrooms and 2 baths located at 125 Carrion Circle. The residence is designed in a contemporary style and will include a stucco exterior with stone detailing around the entranceway, a three-car side-loaded garage, and 50-year composition roof shingles. The property (APN 003-360-21) is 21,344 square feet in size, has a General Plan land use designation of Low Density Residential, and is zoned Single Family, 7,000 Square Foot Average Minimum (R-1 Zone).

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.

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

Jen Michaelis - Administrative Secretary
Published March 30, 2006

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Lien Sale

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 & Professionals Code, Section 2328 of the UCC, Section 535 of the Penal Code and provisions of the Civil Code.

The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on the, 12th day of April, 2006, 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 # RED1006865 the following:

Customer Name: Rashelle Collins (#B60). (Brief description of goods being sold: 2 ea. Desks, Dresser, Book Shelves, Computer Desk, Guitar, TV, Computer & Monitor, Boom Box, Overhead Projector, Ukulele, Bedding, Cloths, Toys, CD Player, Misc. Boxes of Misc. Household Items). Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase in cash only. All purchased items old as is where is and must be removed at the time of sale. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party.

March 30, April 6, 2006

Abandoned Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
March 14, 2006
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Valerie Clinton, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2005-235

The following Fictitious Business Name: Dragonfire Toy Company, 414 Main Street, Woodland, Ca 95695 which was originally filed in Yolo County on 10/2/02 is being ABANDONED by the registrants listed below:

Mark Ontiveros, 2511 Pepper St., Sutter, CA 95982

"I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct."

s/Mark Ontiveros

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

State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
s/Valerie Clinton, Deputy Clerk
March, 23, 30, April 6, 13, 2006

Fictitious Business Name

FILED YOLO COUNTY CLERK/RECORDER
March 14, 2006
FREDDIE OAKLEY, CLERK
Valerie Clinton, Deputy
FBN NUMBER 2006-284

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: Dragonfire Toy Co., 414 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695

Full name of registrant(s), residence address, Eustaquio, Phillip, Anguay, 25799 Duncan Dr., Esparto, CA 95627, Maricela R Anguay, 25799 Duncan Drive, Esparto, CA 95627.

This business classification is: Husband and Wife.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the Fictitious Business Name or names listed above on 3/14/06.

s/Maricela Anguay

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State of California, County of Yolo
FREDDIE OAKLEY County Clerk/Recorder
s/Valerie Clinton, Deputy Clerk
March, 23, 30, April 6, 13, 2006

Petition to Administer Estate

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

DONALD BUEL PHILLIPS. CASE NUMBER P41748
Filed March 10, 2006,
Linda Ashcraft, by V. Lee Deputy Clerk
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Donald Buel Phillips. A Petition for Probate has been filed by Cynthia Helwig in the Superior Court of California, County of Solano.

The Petition for Probate requests that Cynthia Helwig be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: April 19, 2006, at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 16, Superior Court of California, County of Solano, 600 Union Avenue, Fairfield, CA 94533.

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

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

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a *Request for Special Notice* (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A *Request for Special Notice* form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner: Joseph M. Scalise, SBN 178668
601 Buck Avenue
Vacaville, CA 95688
(707) 452-9606

Published March, 23, 30, April 6, 13, 2006

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'02 Kia Spectra 4 dr., auto.
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Nick Wittman, 901 Suffolk Pl., Winters,
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March 9, 16, 23, 30, 2006

Fictitious Business Name

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March 8, 2006
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Fictitious Business Name. Realty World - Camelot Win-
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37 main street, Winters, CA 95694

Full name of registrant(s), residence address, San-
dra T. Vickrey, 37 Main St., Winters, CA 95694

This business classification is: A Corporation.
Beginning Date of Business: The registrant com-
menced to transact business under the Fictitious Busi-
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March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 2006

Fictitious Business Name

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March 2, 2006
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FBN NUMBER 2006-236

The following person(s) is/are doing business as:
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Edwards Street, Winters, CA 95694

Full name of registrant(s), residence address,
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