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Big, busy year ahead for city

By DEBRA LO GUERCIO
Express editor

Don't blink or you may miss the many projects lying ahead in Winters over the next few months. A variety of projects was reviewed at the April 18 Winters City Council meeting, most of which will get underway in the next couple months.

One of the most visible changes residents will see will occur in the downtown core area, as the \$1.3 million Downtown Master Plan project begins with improvements and changes along Main Street and Railroad Avenue. This phase of the project includes improvements to the alleys that run parallel to Main Street as well as the creation of angled parking along the east side of Railroad Avenue. Bulbouts will also be constructed at the corners of Railroad and Main, and utility upgrades to water and sewer lines are also included in this phase. There was also discussion of eventually moving the old flashing red stoplight that hung for decades at Railroad and Grant to the Railroad and Main intersection.

Noting that this project will be paid for with redevelopment funds, council member Woody Fridae commented that the project is a move in a "good direction" and that the city needs to spend its redevelopment funds.

Another \$1.5 million will go into a new swimming

pool at Winters High School. Granite Bay Holdings, the developers for Winters Highlands, is funding the lions share of this project, and is putting up \$1.25 million for the pool. The remaining \$250,000 will come from the developers for the Ogando Hudson housing project.

"We are about to embark on a very considerable project," announced City Manager John Donleavy.

Gary Cook, facilities director for the Winters School District, presented the pool construction plans that were developed following several meetings of a pool committee that included community members and school and city representatives. The new pool, which will be constructed atop the old site at the high school, features improved bleachers and shade structure, a timing system, a shallow end for swimming classes, eight swimming lanes, steps, handicapped access with an electric chairlift, bathrooms, a PA system, an emergency phone, lighting, an outdoor shower and storage.

Before proceeding with a presentation on the features of the new pool, Cook explained that the old pool at the high school had been drained and although Granite Bay Holdings had offered to pay to repair the pool so the 2006 summer swim season could proceed uninter-

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City council to meet

The Winters City Council will meet on Tuesday, May 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall.

The following items are on the agenda:

~ Presentation of alignment alternatives and architectural ele-

ments for the Putah Creek car bridge replacement.

~ Public hearing regarding an ordinance for council compensation.

~ Resolution adopting the Citywide Habitat Mitigation Program.

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WEATHER

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

Date	Rain	Hi	Lo
April 19		73	45
April 20		80	48
April 21		79	48
April 22	.02	75	50
April 23	.30	72	53
April 24	.01	74	52
April 25	T	67	51

Rain for week: .33

Season's Total: 33.24

Last year to date: 26.16

Average to April 25: 20.53

Street improvements focus of workshops

By TONY LEONARD
Local Government Commission
Special to the Express

National design experts Dan Burden and Michael Wallwork plan to help Winters citizens redesign State Highway 128 (Grant Avenue) and other city streets in a series of community workshops planned next month. Burden and Wallwork will translate citizen input into a new vision that will improve transportation connections and traffic safety throughout Winters. Burden's final presentation will use computer graphics to show how the highway and other streets can be transformed and improved.

The city of Winters is experiencing problems with traffic congestion and the lack of safe routes for walking and bicycling. For instance, residents living near Highway 128 cannot safely walk across this

roadway to their local grocery store. Since the highway is the only route to school for most residents, parents are forced to drive their children the short distance to and from school each day. With a 34 percent growth rate expected in Winters in the next decade, it is essential that the city develop a comprehensive plan today that will alleviate existing problems and avoid more serious traffic congestion and safety issues in the future.

To meet this challenge, the California Department of Transportation has provided the City of Winters with funding to host Burden and Wallwork for intensive community design workshops on May 4-9 to help make Winters a more desirable place to live and do business. Activities will focus on identifying issues and design solutions for improving walking and bicycling, in-

creasing safety, and reducing traffic on the community streets of the Highway 128 corridor.

All Winters residents are invited to participate. The plan that arises out of the workshops can be used to help direct public transportation and streetscape investments to make city streets safer and more enjoyable for everyone.

The activities kick off on Thursday, May 4, 6-8 p.m. in the Waggoner Elementary School multipurpose room. Saturday's events will take place from 9 am to 3 p.m. in the same location, with the closing session planned for Tuesday, May 9, at the Winters Community Center from 6-8 p.m.

Burden, of Walkable Communities, Inc. in Orlando, Florida will lead the events. Time magazine has highlighted Burden as

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Photos by Vasey Coman

This year's Youth Day Sweethearts and Sweethunks are, from left, Nicole Rheuby, Cara McCoy, Ben Newman, Laurie Barbosa and Jackie Stocking. (Not pictured, Jacob Thorne, John Avellar and Danny Campos, who were all away at an FFA event.) Below are Youth Day attendants, from left, (front) Adrienne Lizarraga and Megan Avellar; (back) Ozzy Arce, Taylor Brickey and Kaplan Smith. (Not pictured, Lora Bassett.)



Yay, Youth Day!

Friday, April 28

Opening ceremonies
7 p.m., Community Center

Saturday, April 29

Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast
6:30-9:30 a.m., Community Center

Kiddie Parade, 9:45 a.m., Main Street

Main Parade, 10 a.m., Main Street

Festivities at City Park
12-5 p.m.

Planning commission seat available

The city of Winters is accepting applications for a vacancy on the Winters Planning Commission. Applications can be picked up at City Hall or mailed out. The deadline to apply is 5 p.m. on May 10. Applications are also available online at www.cityofwinters.org under Admin Services/Forms.

The current vacancy's term ends in July, 2007, with the opportunity to continue with a four-year term.

For more information, call City Hall, 795-4910.

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OBITUARIES

Voicie Mae Bertinoia Dennis

Voicie Mae Bertinoia Dennis, known by friends and family as Vickie, passed away April 15 in Vacaville. Vickie was born in Fort Smith, Arkansas, and concealed her age, her date of birth and her age so well that they are unknown, but she assuredly lived a full life. Mrs. Dennis was a resident of Vacaville and was preceded in death by her husband Raymond "Buck" Dennis.

Vickie retired from Northbay Hospital as a Registered Nurse after 40 years. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and sharing her maple trees with residents of Allendale and Vacaville. She was an absolute angel of a gal who loved, and is loved by, God. She gave tirelessly of herself and to others to assure their comfort ahead of hers. She had a great love for gardening and around Vicki, all things grew with love and direction.

She is survived by daughter Maria (Kent) Thompson of Vacaville; sons Bill Hicks of Cleveland, Ok., Gary (Rebecca) Hicks of Prescott, Ar., Kenneth (Christyne) Bertinoia of Winters and John Bertinoia of Vacaville; sister Ermma Ridenour; brothers Paul, Steve and Butch; grandchildren Lihn, Raymond and Rebecca Hicks, Adam, Joe and Matthew Bertinoia, Casey Mills, Chad and Andrea Thompson, Ronny and Dallas Hicks, Kimberly and Bill Hicks; great-grandchildren Dylan, Christen, Alexis, Tenia, Tristian, Sevastian, Kateland, Haley, Dustin, lil' Casey and Ravan; and longtime friends Goldie Maner, Willie Field, Lisa Saenz and Loraine Patterson.

Memorial services will be held at 203 Main Street Chapel in Winters on Saturday, April 29 at 4 p.m. with Pastor Rutledge officiating. A private internment will follow.

Salvadora "Doris" R. Manas

Salvadora "Doris" R. Manas died on April 19, 2006. She was born in Hilo, Hawaii on March 8, 1917 to Salvador and Gabriella Rubio, who moved to Winters in 1918 where they remained all their lives.

Doris was a homemaker and helped her husband Pete on their ranch, sorting and selling peaches and walnuts. Doris enjoyed her family and friends and was always there to help everyone. Her kitchen was known as "Doris' Coffee House," where friends and family would gather to solve the daily problems.

Doris is survived by one daughter, Anna Doughty and her husband Bill. Her grandchildren are John Muller and wife Cindy, Jennifer Hoskins and husband John, Robin Warner and husband Henry, Lucy Medina and husband Mike, Pete Manas and wife Dawn, Vicky Manas and Lisa Manas. She is also survived by great-grandchildren Mitchell Muller, John Muller, Ben Muller, Leila Muller, Logan Hoskins, Joey Campos, Danny Campos, Cody Campos, Anna Campos, Hannah Manas, Olivia Manas, Gabby Manas, Elaine Medina and Andrew Medina. She is also survived by two great-granddaughters, Devin and Taylur Prescott. She is survived by her sister Marie Goddard and husband Hugh, as well as many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 59 years, Pete Manas, and her son Gabriel Manas, brother Dick Rubio, and sisters Gabrielle Manas and Frances Ariza.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Wednesday, April 26, at 11 a.m. at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Winters. Burial followed in the Winters Cemetery. A visitation was held Tuesday, April 25, from 5-8 p.m. with a vigil at 7:30 p.m. at St. Anthony's Catholic Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Yolo Hospice, P.O. Box 1014, Davis, Ca 95617.

Fermin Walter Rubio, Sr.

Fermin Walter Rubio, Sr. passed away on April 22, 2006 in Oroville following a lengthy illness. Born on July 27, 1938, in Suisun City, he was 67 years old.

Mr. Rubio served in the U.S. Air Force for four years. He worked as a butcher for 20 years at Stoven Bros. in Dixon. He also spent 18 years working in building maintenance in Reno, Nevada, and retired to Oroville three years ago. He was the son of immigrants from Spain who settled in Winters in the early 1900s.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Gladys; sons and daughters-in-law Fermin and Susan Rubio, and Mark and Jill Rubio; sisters, Fastina Carillo, Julia Gonnilla, Carmen Soulier, Josie Cuberos and Ana Martinez; brothers, Pedro and Mike Rubio; seven grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Julia and Mike Rubio; sisters, Mary Albacete and Anthonette Barbosa; and brothers, Frank, John and Chris Rubio.

Visitation will take place at McCune Garden Chapel in Vacaville on Thursday, April 27, 5-8 p.m. Funeral services will be held for Mr. Rubio on Friday, April 28, at 10 a.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Vacaville, with Pastor Bob Jacobs presiding. McCune Garden Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

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YESTERYEAR



File photo
San Francisco just celebrated the 100th anniversary of its big earthquake of 1906, but Winters had its big earthquake 14 years earlier on April 19, 1892. This photo, taken by Walter Hemenway, shows Main Street in Winters, taken from about First and Main streets. The cupola of the DeVilbiss Hotel can be seen at the rear of the photo.

35
YEARS AGO

May 6, 1971

James C. Hyer, city councilman since the 1970 election, tendered his resignation Tuesday night to the council, as the Hyer family is moving out of town.

Winters District Chamber of Commerce will present its Fifth Annual Frog Jump and Flea Market in the city park this Saturday, May 8, with market activities scheduled to open at 9 a.m. and the frog jump at 1 p.m.

Frank K. Gardner was named Winters City attorney at a retainer fee of \$200 a month, by the City Council at its Tuesday night meeting.

Fire Friday afternoon destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benito Rodriguez on the former Chester Sackett ranch about four miles west of Winters. The ranch is now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Warren Tufts.

Word has been received here that the post office department may reconsider the decision regarding home delivery of mail in Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruhn, of Winters, are the parents of a son, born May 3, 1971 in the Davis Community Hospital.

Mrs. Dennis Mariani was honored with a surprise baby shower at the regular meeting of Beta Alpha Beta Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Ralph Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop E. Little will spend the Mothers Day weekend at the Tahoe home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Little.

With her natal day dated Thursday, April 29, Kim Riley's ninth birthday party was given on May 2 in the afternoon. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David A. Riley.

Coach Lyle James' Winters Warriors, with the Marco Barcelo, Jody Ogando and en Galloway hitting home runs, defeated East Nicolaus, 3-0, in a SVL baseball game on the Winters diamond Friday afternoon.

50
YEARS AGO

May 17, 1956

The new Army Signal Comps communications center east of town was dedicated Tuesday, with Lt. Governor Harold Powers cutting the ribbon.

The pouring of concrete for the Monticello Dam was resumed this week after a shutdown since mid-December, and Tuesday's shift poured one block of 571 yards of concrete.

According to a deed filed in the Yolo County recorder's office in Woodland last Friday, John W. and Edith H. Rohenkohl sold a ranch east of Winters for about \$25,000 to Sebastian R. and Marie C. Lopez. The real estate firm of Wayne Sharp and David Baxter handled the transaction.

Silas Godden, Fairfield jeweler, has purchased the Moore Building on Main Street, and plans to open a jewelry store here in the near future. Mr. Godden also purchased the Waggoner home on West Abbey Street and plans to make his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Halley, of Winters, are the parents of a son, born at the Woodland Clinic May 15, 1956.

Mrs. Robert S. Thompson was elected president of Friendship Circle of the First Christian Church at the annual election held Monday night at the home of Mrs. Robert Johnson.

Mrs. A.R. Gales, president elect of the Winters Fortnightly Club, will conduct her first executive board meeting Tuesday morning, June 5, in the Fortnightly Club rooms.

Sgt. and Mrs. Eugene Hust and children were over from Sacramento for Mothers' Day visiting with Mrs. Hust's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Berry.

65
YEARS AGO

May 16, 1941

The rainfall Monday night and Tuesday registered 1.47 inches, bringing the season's total precipitation to 39.35.

Mrs. W.A. Young, veteran school instructor at Wolfskill District has resigned her position to retire from active service.

Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Graf and daughter Elizabeth were Sunday visitors in San Francisco. Mrs. Graf's mother, Mrs. C. Lautze returned with them for a visit here.

Tonight at 7 p.m. the Christian Business Men's banquet will be held in the Methodist Church Annex. W.W. Stark will be master of ceremonies and Elwin Martin will be host.

A check-up of the underground water table in the Putah Creek area discloses that the water is around six to nine feet higher than a year ago.

The second monthly meeting of the newly organized Winters Sportsman's Club was held Tuesday evening in the City Hall. Weaver Gaddini is president of the new organization.

Mrs. A.P. Pleasants and Mrs. J.B. McColl returned recently from Redding where the latter was looking after business interests.

Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Degener have returned from a week's motor outing to Boulder Dam.

Miss Florence Veall and members of the Methodist Choir honored Mrs. W. Lloyd Adams Saturday in the Veall home in social hour and presentation of layette gift.

Mr. and Mrs. J.V. Graf and children spent Mothers' Day with Mrs. C. Stirn in Sacramento.

Harry Willard came up from Camp Roberts to spend Mothers' Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T.K. Willard.

Berryessa drops 1.07 of a foot

The level of Lake Berryessa fell by 1.07 of a foot during the past week, with a reduction in temporary storage of 23,854 acre feet of water, according to Mickey Faulkner of the Solano Irrigation District. The lake is more than 18 inches above the spillway.

Faulkner reported Tuesday morning that the lake was 441.56 feet above sea level, with storage computed at 1,632,501 acre feet of water.

The SID is diverting 105 second feet of water into the Putah South Canal and 2,319 second feet is flowing in Putah Creek at the Diversion Dam. Evaporation on Lake Berryessa averaged 139 acre feet of water per day during the week.

100
YEARS AGO

May 18, 1906

According to the school census just taken by Miss Bertha Pearce, Winters now has 257 children of school age, 123 boys and 134 girls. Of this number, 28 do not attend school.

The Tremblor is the new high school paper, to give the students of the Winters High School practical experience in things journalistic. Five hundred copies will be printed and circulated.

The Earl Fruit Company shipped from Winters the first crate of apricots to leave California for the season of 1906 Monday, the 14th.

Mrs. E. Dafoe of Geyserville was the guest this week of Mrs. D.O. Judy. She says Mr. Dafoe is quite well pleased with his business there.

Hoy's training stables are unusually busy this spring, and there are several horses that promise to give a good account of themselves on the track during the coming season.

Cement with which to complete the creamery foundation was secured Monday, and the work is finished. The superstructure will now go up immediately.

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered to the graduating class in the Presbyterian Church, Sunday at 11 a.m., May 27, by Rev. G.A. Ragan, pastor of the Christian Church.

Mrs. Mabel Biggs, who had been visiting at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Jeans since the earthquake, returned to San Francisco Monday.

L. McCormick and family and Fred M. Owen have gone to San Francisco, where they have secured employment, with their teams, at very good prices.

Aaron Ruggles will start for Modoc County tomorrow, where he expects to buy a drove of horses to bring back with him.

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OBITS

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William J. Hamilton III

Well known scientist and rural Winters resident William John Hamilton III died April 24, 2006. He was born Nov. 13, 1931 in Ithaca, New York. A graduate of Cornell University in 1953, he served in the Korean War before coming to UC Berkeley to study under Starker Leopold and receive his PhD in 1960. After a post doctoral stint at the California Academy of Sciences studying duck migration, he took a position at UC Davis in 1963, where he remained until he retired in 1994, continuing his research as an emeritus professor until his death. He was an internationally recognized research scientist in ecology and animal behavior, working extensively in California and Africa throughout his career.

Mr. Hamilton began research on animal ecology in Southern Africa in 1968, mainly in Botswana and Namibia, continuing after he retired, teaching field ecology courses until 2005. He also had research projects in Egypt, the Caribbean, Central and South America and Indonesia. He was the author of numerous books and articles.

For the last several years he traveled throughout the Central Valley, for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the California Department of Fish and Game, studying tri-colored blackbirds. He was considered the authority on the threatened California tri-colored blackbird, studying population trends and actively pursuing management strategies to protect its long term survival.

Mr. Hamilton delighted in the natural world with a love and sense of wonder that bordered on the ecstatic, according to his colleagues. He was trained in natural history from a very young age and spent numerous days in the field with his father, Cornell University mammalogist William Hamilton, Jr. Throughout his life there were always new and fresh wonders to delight him.

He is survived by Marion, his wife of 50 years, daughter Susan and three grandchildren, Lily, Emma and William, all of Winters. Their son John preceded him in death in 2000.

A memorial gathering to remember Bill will be held on Saturday, May 27, at 10 a.m. at the home of John and Marsha Anderson, 21740 County Road 88, north of Winters. The family would appreciate contributions to the Yolo Land Trust, P.O. Box 1196, Woodland, CA 95776, or the charity of the donor's choice.

Wanda Ransdell

Wanda Ransdell passed away peacefully on April 24, 2006 in Davis following a lengthy illness. Born April 12, 1929 in Missouri, she was 77 years old

Mrs. Ransdell graduated from Washington High School, located in Washington, Missouri, in 1947, and attended Missouri University, graduating in 1951 with a degree in dietetics. She worked as a dietician in a group home after graduating, and married Fred Ransdell in 1949. Following Mr. Ransdell's graduation from medical school, the Ransdells moved to California. They moved to Winters from Sacramento in 1969, and purchased the old Sackett Ranch with her husband, Fred. In addition to running the ranch, Mrs. Ransdell worked as a real estate agent and tax preparer for many years. She developed an original recipe for apricot jerky, of which she was proud.

She is survived by her husband of 56 years, Fred; children, Trinkia MacMurrtaugh of Sacramento, Faye May and her husband Dave of Scottsdale, Arizona, Fred Ransdell and wife Andrea of Davis, Tom Ransdell and wife Frances of Chelmsford, Massachusetts, and Sam Ransdell and wife Amy of Davis; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; brother Dan Armistead and wife Jeanette of Union, Missouri, sister Violet Weirich and husband Harold of Lebanon, Missouri, numerous nieces and nephews, and countless friends. Wanda is remembered for her bright smile and kind words for everyone she met and will be missed by all, says a family spokesperson.

A memorial service will be held for Mrs. Ransdell at Pioneer Presbyterian Church in Winters on Monday, May 1, 2006 at 11 a.m., with a reception to follow in Wesley Hall.

Winters weekly police department report

April 14-16
~ On the 200 block of East Main Street, a vehicle was vandalized.

April 15
~ Juvencio Salazar Garcia, 20, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver.

April 18
~ Hugo Cesar Torres, 18, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and having a broken vehicle windshield.

April 19
~ Ovidio Alex Loarca, 21, of Winters was arrested for vandalism. Loarca was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

April 20
~ A 14-year-old Winters juvenile was arrested for possessing marijuana on school grounds. Juvenile was booked and released to a parent on a notice to appear.

~ Vincente Fernandez,

37, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for being an unlicensed driver and having an inoperable vehicle headlight.

~ Kasandra Diane Thompson, 19, of Winters was arrested on an outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrant charging her with failure to appear on previous charges of driving under the influence of alcohol, being under the age of 21 years who had a blood alcohol content of 0.05 percent or more, and no proof of insurance. Thompson was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a promise to appear.

~ Bryan Lee Panzich, 18, of Winters was arrested for possessing less than an ounce of marijuana and violating his probation. Panzich was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ Anthony James Spinetti, 19, of Winters was arrested for being intoxicated in public. Spinetti was booked at the Winters Police Department and

transported to Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

April 21
~ William Carl Joseph Spinetti, 20, of Winters surrendered himself on an outstanding Winters Police Department bench warrant charging him with failure to appear on previous charge of driving with a suspended/revoked driver's license. Spinetti was booked at the Winters Police Department and released on a promise to appear.

~ Philip Anton Cibotti,

18, of Vacaville was issued a notice to appear for speeding, possessing less than an ounce of marijuana and failing to have vehicle registration inside the vehicle.

~ David Durgin, 18, of Winters was issued a notice to appear for failing to stop at a stop sign and being an unlicensed driver.

~ A 16-year-old Winters juvenile was issued a notice to appear for having an inoperable vehicle headlight and being an unlicensed driver.

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Opinion



DEBRA LO GUERCIO BECAUSE I SAY SO

EVERY LOYAL TREKKIE KNOWS what happens when matter meets anti-matter: Boom!!! All gone. That's all as in *all*. Oh well, at least it wipes the universal slate clean. Plug your ears, folks. American political matter and anti-matter are fusing.

On the far right is former Presidential candidate Patrick J. Buchanan, whose column appears (oddly enough) in the San Francisco Chronicle. Noting Americans' sour mood in his April 18 installment, Buchanan pins the blame squarely where it belongs — on the Bush Administration: "What the polls are saying is that America, having tasted the fruits of Bush's foreign, immigration and trade policies, rejects them. Why? All three, of dubious conservative parentage, have failed." Of that fruit, Buchanan later adds, "there would be something wrong with Americans if they did not seek to regurgitate the fruit of such failed policies."

Totally. I want to regurgitate every time I see Dubya's face.

Buchanan bemoans the potential 2008 Republican presidential candidates, indicting them all because "not one has broken with, and all seem to stand behind George W. Bush." After sticking the knife in, he gives it a good twist: "None more so than Sen. John McCain."

Hmmm. A conservative's conservative giving the raspberries to Republican candidates and to Bush's heir apparent in particular. We could just bask and wallow in that for the rest of the column, but now it's Anti-matter's turn.

Weighing in for the left is Molly Ivins. In her recent column entitled "Enough of the D.C. Dems," this liberal's liberal rips the Democratic status quo a new one and, like Buchanan, blasts the predetermined front-runner, declaring, "I have had it with the D.C. Democrats... had it with every calculating, equivocating, triangulating, straddling, hair-splitting son of a bitch up there, and that includes Hillary Rodham Clinton."

Ouch. Need some stitches, Dems?

While Buchanan decries the Bush Administration for wandering too far from true conservative values, Ivins blasts the Democrats for staying too true to form: "Look at their reaction to this Abramoff scandal. They're talking about 'a lobby reform package.' We don't need a lobby reform package, you dimwits, we need full public financing of campaigns, and every single one of you who spends half your time whoring after special interest contributions knows it."

Double ouch.

The war in Iraq is front and center on both columnists' minds. While Buchanan walks right up to the edge of saying we should get out, Ivins boldly leaps right over it: "Iraq is making terrorism worse; it's a breeding ground. We need to extricate ourselves as soon as possible." Besides the war, Buchanan lists illegal immigration and failed NAFTA trade policies as our major concerns. Ivins notes the need for public funding of campaigns and single-payer health insurance. Entirely different topics, but there's a common thread running through them all: We need to get our fiscal house in order. Our so-called leaders need to turn their attention to what's best for the greater good of all, rather than how best to line their pockets.

What's even more telling than what Buchanan and Ivins list as top concerns is what neither mentions: gay marriage, abortion, intelligent design, prayer in schools, and all the other social "issues" the Radical Religious Right tries to ram down our throats. If Bush & Co. makes us regurgitate, the RRR causes projectile vomiting. Forget the Left, forget the Right, it's the Middle that's taking priority: our national debt, the loss of jobs on American soil, the legitimate war on terrorism, global warming, and finding new energy sources. Oh yes, and that mess down in New Orleans.

We no longer have the luxury of fretting over whether Steve and Bob can tie the knot. We need a real leader to tackle real issues, and we need one now — whether he's Red or Blue or Pink with Purple Polka Dots. We need a captain to steer this ship back on course before it crashes on the rocks.

Buchanan, noting that Americans long for "authentic conservatism," summarizes it thusly: "Neither party is offering it. The children were right. The system doesn't work."

Ivins' angle has a bit more sass: "I am tired of having the party nomination decided before the first primary vote is cast, tired of having the party beholden to the same old Establishment money... This is not a time for a candidate who will offend no one; it is time for a candidate who takes clear stands and kicks ass."

Different words, same message. Did you just hear a "boom"?

(Note: Buchanan's column can be found at www.worldnetdaily.com. Ivins' column is posted at www.comdreams.org.)



LETTERS

Would bring them all home

Dear Editor,

I am having trouble lately understanding why statements from the White House seem so unbelievable. We have thousands of American youth involved in a vicious war in far away Iraq. The reasons they are there are questionable and I think that we all can agree on that.

If I had the power, I would bring every one of them home within a week. As an older person, I have slowly become aware that the reasoning behind most wars throughout history what is most important, the truth.

I recently read an article about something that happened while I was in high school way back in 1964. This is how it goes: The United States had several destroyers parked in Vietnamese waters (the Gulf of Tonkin). On Aug. 2, 1964 a Vietnamese boat apparently fired on the destroyers which accomplished only protest from Washington. Two days later, Aug. 4, there was another apparent ambush on our destroyers. This second attack prompted Lyndon Johnson to order air strikes which amounted to a declaration of war.

We all know what happened next. Over a million and a half people died in the following years. If you could stack up all of the bodies, they would reach all the way to outer space and bump into the satellite that took photos of the mobile chemical warfare labs in Iraq that turned out to be trucks hauling away the debris from disassembled missiles on their way to the local Baghdad dump.

Four years later, 1968, I was in boot camp at Fort Leonardwood, MO. and Robert McNamara assured Congress that the intelligence on the Gulf of Tonkin attacks was "unimpeachable." Sounds a lot like today's White House boys and the weapons of mass destruction thingy, doesn't it?

Recently a National Security Agency study written by Robert Hanyok reported on how inaccurate McNamara's intelligence

really was. According to over 140 formerly top secret documents that were recently declassified, there never was a second attack on our destroyers in the Gulf of Tonkin. What is worse is the confirmation of contradictory evidence that was actively suppressed. Some of the intelligence was based on intercepted Vietnamese messages, confirming the loss of two boats.

Hanyok continues his report revealing that the intercepted messages were written before August 4, 1964, and was referring to the Aug. 2, 1964 attack. Plagued by translation errors, the intelligence report was based on two unrelated intercepts that were strung along as one. Apparently on Aug. 4, 1964, the Vietnamese were near the destroyers salvaging the boats damaged two days earlier and they were actively trying to avoid U.S. warships.

Other massive intelligence failures I can think of are: Helen of Troy was kidnapped, Alexander did not destroy civilizations, Hannibal was the aggressor against the Roman Empire, Jesus Christ was a dangerous man, the Crusades were fought for God and not for profit, and the American Indian is known to have a violent culture without conscience or feelings. Of course all of these examples are based in fact but were misinterpreted in context.

Most of this information is available at www.usnews.com (Dec. 12, 2005). Well, as I said earlier, I am having trouble understanding why the information that comes from the White House is so unbelievable. President Bush is not a liar, he doesn't have to lie. He has an entire intelligence agency to do it for him and they are telling him that Iran is building a bomb so we had better strike first and strike now.

My son looks at me and sees a crazy old veteran and I look at him and it scares me that he might turn out just like me. Does anyone else feel like that?

DONALD K. SANDERS

Raising money for new uniforms

Dear Editor,

We have been seeking assistance from our community and business associates to assist us in raising money for our 8th Grade Legacy Project. We are raising money to purchase new sports uniforms for our school.

We are depending on donations and fundraisers to help pay for the costs of new sports uniforms to ensure all students can participate. Last year the number of students that could participate in the sports programs was dependent upon the number of uniforms that were available, so some students who wanted to participate were not allowed to participate, due to the lack of uniforms. I am sure that you

would agree with us that this is important for all students to be able to participate. We would appreciate any assistance that you can lend to us for our 8th Grade Legacy Project.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to call Sue Kristensen at 795-1010 or Susan DeLa'O at 795-4069. Please make your financial donation by April 30 to ensure adequate time to order track uniforms for the 2006 season. Please make checks payable to WMS - 8th Grade Legacy Project.

Very truly yours,

SUSAN DELA'O and
SUE KRISTENSEN
Coordinators



CHARLES R. WALLACE A QUICK OPINION

WINTERS AT ITS BEST. There is a lot of talk lately about keeping Winters a small town. I'm not sure you have to do anything besides view the Youth Day Parade and you'll be wrapped in the warm feeling of a small town. If you watch the parade and don't enjoy the atmosphere, you aren't going to agree with the people who want to keep Winters, Winters. Most of us don't worry about the small town feeling. It's in our bones.

Sometimes that small town quality gets in the way. There are times when life just moves too fast. There were times when the world was just spinning and there was no way for me to keep up. Working in Los Angeles was like that every day. When I moved back to Winters it took me awhile to slow down and not let small things bother me. When you find yourself rushing around like a chicken with its head cut off, think about the old men sitting in front of Pacific Hardware, or Richard sitting in front of Close Quarters. They've done their time in the rat race and are kicking back, enjoying life, at their pace.

As you watch the parade, remember to sit back, relax, and enjoy the moment. If something ever changes in Winters it might be when people get tired of volunteering so other people can enjoy a moment of bliss.

OLD MAYORS. Every once in while I think about being a Youth Day mayor. A couple of weeks ago I embarrassed myself at a sporting clay event. I pride myself on being able to shoot, but I didn't perform very well under pressure. Sure I have excuses, but none of them hold up to reality. I shot a couple of years ago in Archie Humphrey's great shoot out, and held my own against those great shootists from San Francisco. This year was different.

Archie is one of our success stories. I made him the city dog catcher when I was mayor and he became the Youth Day mayor the next year. He kept the tradition going and I hope there was a dog catcher appointed this year. Lord knows we need one.

Archie runs the company that owns Vacaville Sanitation. The rumor is that he is the highest ranking non Italian in the company. There is a joke here about Spaniards and Italians, but I'll leave that to your imagination. Anyway, he's good at what he does, and once a year, his family puts on a shoot, which includes plenty of reminiscing and good food.

There are only a few people from Winters, but it is always nice to be included in the event. A man wearing a Dick Cheney mask gave the safety speech, and joked about opening season on Democrats. It was funny until several people started looking my way. Luckily everyone is armed at these events.

Youth Day is all about seeing old friends, making new ones, and learning about slower times when the Youth Day Parade was viewed as the biggest event of the year. For some of us, it still is. Have a great Youth Day.

Film features 'Invisible Children'

Dear Editor:

I was fortunate to grow up in Winters where for the most part children are cherished by their families and the community. I grew up fairly innocent of happenings outside of my safe environment. Having been away at college for sometime now I have become more aware of suffering throughout the world and that it is important that we not close eyes to it all and sit by and idly do nothing. To that end I would like to take this opportunity to invite Winters community members to a viewing of the movie "Invisible Children: Rough Cut." The movie is distributed by Invisible Children Inc., a non-profit organization dedicated to providing financial resources for the health, safety and education of the children of Northern Uganda by documenting their true, untold stories in a creative and relevant way, resulting in positive change.

The movie chronicles the adventures and misadventures of three young Americans that traveled to Africa in the spring of 2003 searching for a story. As described by Invisible Children, Inc., "What they found was a tragedy that

disgusted and inspired them. A story where children are the weapons and the victims. The "Invisible Children: Rough Cut" film exposes the effects of a 20-year-long war on the children of Northern Uganda. Children who live in fear of abduction by rebel soldiers, and are being forced to fight as part of a violent army. This wonderfully reckless documentary is fast paced, with an MTV beat, and is truly unique. To see Africa through young eyes is humorous and heart breaking, quick and informative - all in the same breath."

There is no charge to see this movie and I am not asking for donations. My intention in presenting this film is to increase awareness. What you choose to do after seeing the film is up to you.

The movie "Invisible Children: Rough Cut" will be shown at 6 p.m. on Friday April 28 at the home of Emil and Mary Jo Rodolfa. Please call 795-1434 to RSVP and get directions. Additionally I will be walking in the Youth Day parade and handing out literature. Please feel free to join me.

Sincerely,

JOIE RODOLFA

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Policy for Letters to the Editor

The deadline for Letters to the Editor is noon on Mondays for publication that week. Letters may be mailed or hand-delivered to The Winters Express, 312 Railroad Avenue, Winters, CA 95694, or emailed to news@wintersexpress.com.

Letters should not exceed 500 words. Do not use all capital letters. We reserve

the right to edit or reject any letter.

Letters must be legibly signed by the writer. However, we may withhold writers' names from publication if there is a legitimate reason, such as fear of reprisal.

We will accept letters of thanks naming local individuals and Winters businesses only.

LETTERS

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Got cars, still need more help

Dear Editor,

Thanks to everyone who responded to our call for cars to carry the dignitaries in the parade. We have all we need and are ready to roll. This year's parade is shaping up to be one of the biggest in years. We have over 100 entries scheduled to participate, so bring your lawn chair and stake out a good spot along the parade route. It's going to be fun!

We still need some volunteers to help be parade marshals on Youth Day morning. The marshals job is to line up the entrants and make sure they flow through the parade smoothly. Interested people can come to City Hall at 7 a.m. on Youth Day morning to be placed into a division. This is a great way to earn community service hours for Winters High students. See you on Youth Day!

MIKE SEBASTIAN
Youth Day
Parade Chairman

Vote didn't include illegal wiretapping

Dear Editor,

The U.S. Senate vote in 2003 to "authorize the use of force against Iraq" was to take effect only if and when diplomacy failed. It did not include a declaration of war against Iraq, nor a declaration of martial law against the United States. It certainly did not include wiretapping everyone that the Cheney-Bush presidency sees fit to wiretap, without oversight at all. That is not what the Senate thought it was voting to authorize at that time.

Bush himself said in 2004 that he was not doing any wiretaps without judicial oversight. However, that was untrue: the unchecked wiretapping program was in effect before the 2004 and 2002 elections. In its Orwellian correctness, the Cheney-Bush executive branch is now hard at work to punish patriotic, freedom-loving, courageous whistleblowers everywhere, including the media.

How can the Cheney-Bush presidency think that it is above and outside the laws of war, our treaties, our criminal laws? Do they think they are reigning over a separate multinational, secretive kingdom? Isn't the United States government a government of laws, not men? How can a presidency "get" good intelligence if it is spinning the facts to fit its prejudices, as the Downing Street memos of 2002 revealed?

JOHN CHENDO

Raising art funds by the cup



Photo by Debra Lo Guercio

The Winters High School art department will raise funds on Youth Day by offering a paint-your-own ceramics booth in the park. Unfinished mugs and plates can be decorated with glaze, and the finished pieces will be fired at the high school and available for pickup in the ceramics classroom on May 3 or 4. Mugs cost \$5 and plates cost \$7. Showing off some of the available supplies are, from left, Johnny Lucero, Diana Ramirez, Curtis Holabird, Ozzy Arce, Katherine Rominger and Ashley Stanford.

Spring gathering benefits Suicide Prevention

Suicide Prevention of Yolo County invites everyone to celebrate its 40th anniversary on May 13 from 5-8 p.m. at The Wild Rose, home of Lea Rosenberg.

In the spirit of spring, grilled sausage, salad, desserts and a variety of wine and beer will be served.

Wolk to host workshop for senior drivers

Assemblywoman Lois Wolk (D-Davis) will host a workshop on California's licensing laws and their effect on older drivers on Friday, April 28, 10-11:30 a.m. at the Leake Room in the Woodland Public Library, 250 1st Street in Woodland. Representatives for the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will discuss the licensing process for senior drivers. Other topics to be covered include recent changes instituted to accommodate senior drivers.

Wolk was inspired to hold the workshop after reading about a 2004 Area Agency on Aging survey in which a large percentage of Yolo County seniors cited driving and transportation as a major concern.

The event is free and open to the public. Call (800) 965-6765 for more information.

Event features Berryessa area

The public is invited to an afternoon wilderness experience of Art and Nature at UC Davis' Donald and Sylvia McLaughlin Natural Reserve in the Berryessa hinterlands. Highlights include exhibits, literary readings, and a guided nature and culture walk to view pieces of art in the landscape. Light refreshments will be served. The event takes place on Saturday, May 6, 12:30-5 p.m.

Artists and writers participating in the Putah Cache Bioregion Project's 2006 Artists in Bioregional Residence Program will exhibit and read from their work. They are Marie-Therese Brown (Davis), Jack Fulton (San Rafael), Ilya Noe (Davis), Marc Pandone (Lake Berryessa), Michael Sykes (Cedarville), and Karen Turcotte (Mt. Cobb). They will be joined by UCD faculty artists and Artists in Residence from past years.

All events are based at the Reserve Headquarters where exhibited art can be viewed throughout the afternoon. Readings commence at 1 p.m. The Nature and Culture walk departs at 3:15 p.m., and will be approximately 2.5 miles and last about 1.5 hours. If you would like to participate in the walk, please wear sturdy shoes, be prepared for some walking on uneven or slightly steep ground, and bring a water bottle, sunhat, sunscreen, and other

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Community

Draw your dream park on Youth Day

Children of all ages are invited to design their dream park as part of the Youth Day festivities on Saturday, April 29, at City Park, Fourth and Main Streets, from 11 a.m to 5 p.m.

Landscape architects from The HLA Group will be on hand to assist in a fun filled design workshop intended to identify sports facilities, play equipment, and recreation uses for the Winters Sports and Linear Parks.

Everyone is encouraged to take part in three activities that will help determine the design for the parks. Through the Visual Preference Survey, children and adults will use stickers to identify the park components they would like to have built in the parks, such as play structures and sports courts. An Activity Ranking Survey lets participants vote on the top activities they want to see included in the parks. Draw Your Dream Park enables everyone to create their preferred park on mini-site plans under the guidance of the landscape architects.

A prize will be awarded to everyone who participates. To join the fun, look for a sign that says “Design Your Dream Park.”

Food offered to needy residents

The Food Bank of Yolo County will distribute food to eligible Winters residents on on Friday, April 28, at First Baptist Church, 512 First Street from 12-1:30 p.m.

Commodities to be distributed include: apple-sauce, refried beans, pineapple juice, veggie soup and pudding. All commodities may not be available at both sites.

Participants may receive food at only one site. Eligible participants are asked to bring a bag to carry their food home. For more information call the Food Bank, 668-0690.

Visiting from Winters



Courtesy photo

Rick and Diana Baker visited former AFS student Richard Almonte in the Dominican Republic earlier this year. Richard graduated from Winters High School in 1993. The visit was prompted by the birth of Richard’s third son. From left are (back): Rebeca Almonte, Rick Baker, Diana Baker, Richard Almonte; (front) Ricardo, age 8; Richard, 3 weeks, born Feb. 22; and Ruben, age 5.

Winters Police Department seeking applicants

The Winters Police Department is accepting applications for the position of police officer. The ideal candidate must have the ability to solve problems and communicate effectively, especially with diverse groups. He or she must also be able to demonstrate pro-

ficiency in modern technology, intelligence, education, maturity, and commitment to service.

Applicants must possess a California POST Academy Certificate, or proof of current enrollment in an academy, or California POST Basic Certificate, or Lateral.

Contact City of Winters for application, list of salary and benefits package, and other requirements.

To apply for a position or for more information, contact the City of Winters, 318 First Street, Winters, CA 95694, or call 795-4910 ext. 100.

Candidate signs now available

Lawn signs for Pat Lenzi, candidate for Yolo County District Attorney, and for Joel Butler, candidate for Yolo County Assessor, are available in Winters.

Signs may be obtained by calling 795-3382.

For information on the candidates, go to www.butler4assessor.com and www.patlenziforda.com.

Yolo County Fair catalogs here

Exhibitor Catalogs are now available in Woodland at the Yolo County Fair Office and the Woodland Library; in Davis at Big-O Tire and the Davis Library; in Clarksburg at Holland’s Market and the Clarksburg Library; in West Sacramento at the Chamber of Commerce office and the West Sacramento Library; in Winters at the Winters Express and the Winters Library; in Guinda at the General Store; in Esparto at the Esparto Library; in Yolo at the Yolo Library; in Knights Landing at the

Knights Landing Library; in Zamora at the Zamora Post Office; and in Dunnigan at the Dunnigan Post Office.

Exhibitors may also go online to yolocountyfair.net and get information for both the 2006 Exhibitor Catalog and the 2006 Livestock Catalog. Ehibitors interested in Livestock Catalogs can also contact the Fair Office.

Most entries close on June 30. Exhibitors may send in their form at any time. Call the fair office, 662-5393, for more information. Entry department hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 weekdays.

County declares crop disaster

Yolo County today declared a disaster due to significant agricultural crop losses as a result of recent non-stop rains. Specifically alfalfa – a \$37.8 million crop in 2004 in Yolo County – has suffered an estimated 36 percent crop loss valued at approximately \$14 million. Garbanzo beans are estimated to have suffered a 65 percent loss.

H.R.4939 (Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Defense, the Global War on Terror, and Hurricane Recovery, 2006), already passed by the House, authorizes federal relief for, among other things, crop disaster assistance.

The companion legislation, S.3400, is scheduled for a vote in the Senate on Tuesday. This legislation will only apply to disasters declared before the bill is signed into law. The extent of federal disaster relief to Yolo County is uncertain at this time.

“Yolo County’s \$300 million agricultural production has experienced significant losses as a result of the non-stop rain this year,” said Agricultural Commissioner Rick Landon. “With the multiplier effect, Yolo County’s \$1 billion agriculture and support industries have also been negatively impacted by the 31 out of 40 days of rain in both March and April.”

Besides alfalfa and garbanzo beans, many other crops have also suffered losses due to the significant rains, and are expected to qualify for disaster relief as well.

Agricultural losses experienced in Yolo County include: vegetable, fruit and nut crops showing disease, fruit set, and drowning; field crops seeing problems with harvest, disease and drowning; and livestock producers having to provide supplemental feed.

Although tomato and rice growers have also been negatively impacted by the rains with the inability to plant, it appears they will not be covered under this legislation.

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors will ratify the disaster declaration at the Board meeting on Tuesday, April 25.

For further information, Rick Landon, Yolo County Agricultural Commissioner, 666-8140 or 681-9380.

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supplies you may want for outdoor activities.

This event is sponsored by the John Muir Institute of the Environment of the University of California, Davis. The McLaughlin Reserve, also part of the University of California’s Natural Reserve System, is located approximately 13 miles east of Lower Lake in Lake County. Please contact Cathy Koehler or Paul Aigner at mclaughlin@ucdavis.edu or 995-9005 to RSVP, as well as for directions and more information. See also <http://johnmuir.ucdavis.edu>.

Y-ME meeting will feature chemo-brain tips

The Y-ME Open Door meeting will be held Monday, May 8, 7 p.m. at the University Covenant Church, 315 Mace Boulevard, the corner of Mace and Alhambra Boulevards, Davis (just north of Interstate 80).

“Chemo-brain and Breast Cancer” will be the subject of Patti Palmer, Clinical Nurse Specialist in Oncology Patient Services at UC Davis. She will discuss

chemotherapy related memory and thinking changes, symptoms and helpful tips for managing chemo-brain. There will be a time for questions and answers. The program is free and open to the public.

Call Y-ME Northern California Affiliate for information or directions, 753-3940 or toll free at 866-616-4882. A map of the location is on the Y-ME web site:

<http://www.y-me.org/northerncalifornia>.

Y-ME Educational Open Door Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the University Covenant Church. Each month these meetings provide information on some aspect of breast cancer or women’s health. Breast cancer does not discriminate. The meetings are not limit-

ed to breast cancer survivors, but are open and free of charge to anyone who is interested in learning more about women’s health issues. For more information you may contact Y-ME at 753-3940 or visit the Y-ME Northern California Affiliate web site at: <http://www.y-me.org/northerncalifornia>

For information or directions contact Y-ME at 753-3940.

Schools

School board meeting cancelled

By GARY BEALL
Express correspondent

The April 20 Winters School Board meeting was cancelled because of the lack of a quorum. Four members of the seven-member board need to be present to have an official meeting, and only three showed up.

District Superintendent Dale Mitchell said the agenda for the board's May 4 meeting will incorporate items from the April 20 agenda.

Trustees Mary Jo Rodolfa, Kathy McIntire and Jay Shepherd, along with Mitchell and Wagoner Elementary School principal Manolo Garcia, did recognize students and parents slated to receive certificates of appreciation from the district.

Waggoner students Fallon Griffin, Jacqueline Duran and Maria Campazano were recognized for their efforts and progress in learning a second language - Griffin for Spanish, and Duran and Campazano for English.

Parents Kim Sims, Laura Ray, Dave Ray and Irma Rodriguez were recognized for their volunteer work at Waggoner.

Trustees Robert Nickelson, Rick Romney, Tom Harding and Rodney Orosco were not present.

History teacher nominations sought

The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History is seeking nominations for the annual California History Teacher of the Year Award. The Institute, in partnership with Preserve America, inaugurated the award in 2004.

The History Teacher of the Year Award is designed to promote and celebrate the teaching of American history in classrooms across the United States. It honors one exceptional K-12 teacher of American history from each state and U.S. territory.

The state winner will receive a \$1,000 honorarium and will be in the running for the National History Teacher of the Year award to be selected this fall. His or her school library will receive a core archive of history books and materials.

The deadline is May 15. For more information, contact Jack Bareilles, California Coordinator, at 707-839-6492 or humboldtcountyhistory@hotmail.com.

The 2005 California History Teacher of the Year was Kevin Williams of Davis Senior High School in Davis.



Photo by Woody Fridae

Henry Nicholson and Paige Wright, (left) listen to Congressman Mike Thompson answer a tough question from Caitlin Flaws about balancing farmland and urban development.

Rominger students meet Thompson

By WOODY FRIDAE
Special to the Express

Students in Woody Fridae's fifth grade class at Shirley Rominger Intermediate School class met with Congressman Mike Thompson during his recent visit to Yolo County. The students interviewed Thompson for the Rominger student newspaper, the Pony Express.

The students asked about

his work on protecting the environment, his views about the war in Iraq and his committee work in Congress. They learned that Thompson, who represents the Winters area, sits on an important committee, the Ways and Means Committee, and that he gets to be a part of many important decisions. He told them that he was not in favor of the War in Iraq, but that the im-

portant thing now is to make sure there is a stable government there before we leave.

The congressman spent more than 10 minutes with the Rominger students, answering their questions before he greeted other guests. The Pony Express will run their story in the May edition. The student-run newspaper is published monthly.

Forums held for preschool Prop. 87

The Yolo County Child Care Planning Council will present two public forums regarding the Preschool for All Act, appearing as Proposition 82 on the statewide June 2006 ballot. The Public Forums are scheduled for April 26 from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Yolo County Board of Supervisor's Chambers, 625 Court Street, Woodland, and May 2 from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Yolo County Office of Education, 1280 Santa Anita Court, Woodland.

These forums will give the communities of Yolo County the opportunity to hear first hand about the Preschool for All Act from the viewpoint of educators, community voices and local representatives from both the for and against Proposition 82 groups. Early Childhood experts will be available to answer questions

from the public during a panel discussion.

If passed, Prop. 82 will establish free, part-day preschool for all California children whose parents choose to enroll them in the year prior to kindergarten. It will build upon the existing preschool system and delivery of services can occur by both public and private providers. The Preschool for All Act ensures state-level authority through the state Superintendent of Public Instruction and local flexibility through the County Superintendent of Schools. The Superintendent of Public Instruction will establish statewide standards and approval of local plans. Local county superintendents will oversee the planning, implementation, and construction

of facilities. The Act will place revenues in a trust fund, outside of Proposition 98, dedicated solely to Preschool for All. These revenues will be achieved through a 1.7 percent additional tax on taxable income over \$800,000 for couples filing jointly and over \$400,000 for individuals.

General questions regarding the Proposition 82, Preschool for All Act Forums may be directed to 668-3773. For those unable to attend, the forum at the Yolo County Board of Supervisors will be aired on Channel 21, The WAVE, during the week of May 1. Interested persons can check the air time schedule at <http://www.wavetv.org/schedule.htm> or call 669-1550 for more information.

150 colleges will be at local fair

High school and community college students and their parents can explore educational opportunities at two and four-year institutions at a college fair at UC Davis on Sunday, April 30, and Monday, May 1.

Participants will be able to talk with admissions officers and alumni from more than 100 colleges and universities throughout the United States and abroad and get information on specific campus programs, attend workshops on college planning, financial

aid and more, and meet with college admission test representatives from SAT and ACT services.

The fair will be held in UC Davis' Pavilion at the Activities and Recreation Center from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday and from 9 a.m. to noon on Monday. Admission is free. Parking is free on Sunday and \$6 on Monday.

For more information and driving directions, please visit <http://admissions.ucdavis.edu/wacac/> or call 752-3710.

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rupted, the school district ultimately turned down the offer due to legal complications. Noting severe leakage in the main drain, Cook said repairing the pool “would be throwing more money literally down the drain.”

Cook anticipates that the new pool will be finished in March 2007, and will be available for use by the high school, community and summer swim team. He added that the new pool will accommodate programs the city and school district have thus far not been able to offer, like water polo. Cook said the new pool will not feature diving boards due to liability concerns. The new construction also does not feature a community pool room, which put the project over budget. Cook said local fund-raising must be done to support the construction of a community pool room.

For the upcoming summer swim season, swim team members will be bussed to the Millennium Pool in Vacaville for practices and meets. The city will offer expanded summer recreation programs for local youth rather than aquatic activities.

In addition to the two big ticket items, Donleavy updated the council on several noteworthy projects expected to commence in the near future, and said the council can expect to address them “at every single meeting” this year. Included in these projects are updates to the storm drain, water and sewer master plans, the beginning of work on the Putah Creek car bridge, expansion of the waste water treatment plant, a notice of completion for improvements to the Railroad Trestle Bridge (which finished \$85,000 under budget), upgrades to the Rancho Arroyo detention ponds, completion of the Rotary Park parking lot and park, improvements to Jackson Street, plans for two new parks (including a youth sports park), plans for the new police and fire facility, construction of a new Winters Library on the Winters High School campus (depending on whether or not state funding comes through via the library bond on the June ballot), construction of a traffic signal at East Grant and Interstate 505, and the construction of a patio cover for the Community Center.

“We’ve got a very busy year coming for staff and the entire community,” said Donleavy.

Industrial Area Study

City staff proposed that the council approve a study of industrial/business areas to determine the opportunities and constraints of each area. Donleavy asked for direction from the council to commence with the study.

“Our need for job development is immediate,” said Donleavy, reporting that housing developer Centex has put up \$40,000 toward the study. However, staff is recommending that this money be returned and asked the council to budget \$20,000 initially for a market area study for industrial development. The final study could run as high as \$100,000.

Donleavy noted that the current General Plan “lacks analysis of how much industrial is needed to support the town.” He compared the cost per foot for industrial development in Vacaville (\$98) to Winters (\$175).

“It’s almost double to build here,” said Donleavy, adding that the city also needs to increase its industrial area to absorb infrastructure costs.

The study areas include the northwest area of the Interstate 505 interchange (the current General Plan’s industrial area), the expanded northwest area (Benson/Montosa properties), the southwest area of the Interstate 505 interchange (McClish Property), the northeast and southeast areas of the Interstate 505 interchange, and the northwest corner of the city currently bordered by wastewater ponds and Moody Slough Road (dubbed the “Charlie Rominger option”).

Donleavy said the California Association of Local Economic Developers will assemble a team from the public and private sector to do the assessment.

“I recommend that we go out and do some very serious assessment of our (economic) desirability,” said Donleavy, calling the initial study “more of a bite-sized piece.”

Donleavy also recommended that the city’s previously approved approach to industrial development be suspended and the current agreement with Centex Homes for the North Area Specific Plan be cancelled until the study is completed.

Regarding development across Interstate 505, council member Tom

Stone noted that “the county is forcing us to look east.” Mayor Dan Martinez asked for clarification about whether the city’s sphere of influence outside city limits is zoned agricultural (council member Harold Anderson said it is), and noted that he didn’t want the city’s possible industrial development to be constricted only to the study areas.

“This is a good start and a good direction,” said Fridae.

Anderson further noted that the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) is encouraging communities to have more “live where you work” opportunities. With that, the council approved the study unanimously.

Habitat Mitigation Program

After fine-tuning some of the language in the City-wide Habitat Mitigation Program, the plan will return in its updated form to the next city council meeting, where it is expected to be approved. The Habitat Mitigation Program outlines how habitat must be mitigated when it is disturbed or displaced by development. In prior meetings, the council learned that the amount of habitat mitigation required by each county does not cross county lines, which is problematic for Winters, which sits on the Yolo/Solano county line. Because the city of Winters is within Yolo County, any city habitat mitigation approved in Solano County would not count toward the quota required for Yolo County, leaving Yolo’s mitigation needs unmet.

Martinez objected to the section regarding contiguous property in the proposed plan.

“The language isn’t very gray, it’s specific — ‘must be contiguous... isolated areas will not be allowed,’” said Martinez. Community Development Director Dan Sokolow agreed to rewrite this section to say “avoided” rather than “not allowed.”

“I don’t want someone who wants an easement to impose their views on a farming neighbor,” said Martinez.

Katherine Kelly of the Yolo Land Trust assured the council that mitigation easements would not encumber adjacent property. Kelly in a prior city council meeting explained that habitat mitigation in the form of an agricultural easement doesn’t force a property owner to change how he is using the land but rather pays that owner to continue farming the land as he always has and not let it turn to weeds, or switch to a crop that doesn’t favor the species that is foraging or nesting on the land.

Council member Steve Godden additionally recommended that mitigation for Winters take place within the seven-mile radius of the Habitat Mitigation Program.

“We want the land to be local,” said Godden. “The Yolo Bypass is awful big.”

Martinez was yet more rigid on this point and said unequivocally, “I don’t support the notion of (mitigating) in Solano County.” Martinez further added that he preferred a plan that states mitigation will occur first within the seven-mile radius from the city, if that is not possible, then mitigation will occur elsewhere in Yolo County, and only then would mitigation in Solano County be considered.

With that, community member John Hasbrook made the issue immediately more complicated by notifying the council that St. Anthony Church wishes to generate funds for a new church building in Winters by accepting agreement fees for property the church diocese owns in both Solano and Yolo counties. He said this arrangement would not only help fund a new church building but would also preserve the agricultural integrity of the property. Hasbrook described this as “win-win for everybody,” including the church, the community

and developers.

Sokolow reiterated that this arrangement included property not only located in Solano County, but also outside the city’s seven-mile radius outlined in the Habitat Mitigation Program.

“It seems approval (of the program) is not correct, if the first time out, we’re going outside the radius,” said Fridae. “There are other factors than just proximity.”

However, added Fridae, “In a way, it’s not our problem.”

Martinez explained how it is the city’s problem if land is mitigated in Solano County because Yolo County must have a certain amount of acreage for each endangered species, such as Swainson’s Hawk, burrowing owls and fairy shrimp.

“I recommend that we expand the radius within Yolo County and stay away from Solano,” said Anderson.

Although Fridae expressed concern that the planning commission had put much time and effort into the Habitat Mitigation Plan as it was, Martinez concurred with Anderson, also recommending flexibility to mitigate outside the seven-mile radius when necessary and eliminate mitigation in Solano County entirely.

“Closer is better for our citizens,” said Stone. “Let’s not move (the seven-mile radius) until we have to.”

Stone said he preferred that going beyond the seven-mile radius be the exception to the rule, and done only when warranted. Sokolow said he would rewrite the sections discussed, but said the habitat program should specify that mitigation be allowed in Solano County in approved mitigation banks only when equivalent mitigation is not possible.

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April's Chamber mixer, hosted by Dr Ed Anderson and his contractor/wife Janet was very well attended. Those who joined us saw what a magnificent job they did refurbishing the old Griffin house on East Grant.

The Chamber has a number of committees steering a variety of projects forward. The Vision Committee is currently working on recommendations for the expansion of Rotary Park. A wide variety of design and park feature ideas are under discussion, including ideas for a water feature and pads for public art. Also being discussed are pads with shade structures that would allow us to have farmers markets, outdoor art events, and a variety of other events in this newly expanded park area.

The next meeting to discuss recommendations for Rotary Park will be on Monday, May 1, at The Palms (13 Main Street) at 6 p.m. The

meeting is open to the public and those interested in voicing ideas about the design of the expanded Rotary Park are encouraged to attend.

I invite everyone to participate in the upcoming series of workshops, organized by the Local Government Commission in partnership with the City of Winters Community Development Department. The workshops, beginning on May 4 and concluding on May 9, invite input from the community to develop strategies for reducing traffic congestion with an emphasis on the Grant Avenue corridor, with additional discussion on improving the walk ability of Winters, and hopefully developing a vision and design to make Winters an even better place to live and do business.

In addition to the public workshops on the May 4, 6 and 9, Anthony Leonard, project manager for the LGC, will host a

focus group session for business owners at Cody's Deli, 311 Railroad Avenue, on Friday, May 5, from 7:30-9 a.m. Please call me at the Chamber if you will be able to join us for the May 5 business owner focus group. I would like to be able to give a headcount for breakfast. Making Winters a walk-able, bicycle friendly community is a huge priority of the Chamber and I ask you to get involved and help us make it happen.

The city of Winters and the Chamber will be hosting an ADA Compliance seminar on Monday, May 22, from 7:30-9 a.m. at Tomat's Restaurant. The seminar is designed to provide an overview of the American with Disabilities Act compliance guidelines. Jay Salazar, a building inspector with the city of Vacaville will provide an overview of many of the compliance issues. Jay and our local building inspector Gene Ashdow bring a wide range of knowledge that should be helpful to the Winters business community. Tony DeLa'o, owner of Tomat's, will be able to add a "personal experience" perspective to the discussion. The city of Winters will host breakfast and I

strongly encourage all businesses to have someone attend.

Our final event in May will be our "Meet the City Council Candidates" night on Monday, May 24, 7-9 p.m. at the Community Center. All seven of the candidates will be invited to the event. The public is encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to submit written questions to any or all of the candidates. We are still working on securing a moderator for the event but we should have that buttoned down very soon.

May Chamber Mixer

May's Chamber mixer will be hosted by Pizza Factory, 108 Main Street. Join us on Monday, May 8, from 5:30-7 p.m. Owners Mary Ann and Hal Parks and store manager Charlie Martinez will be on hand to show off the newly refurbished Pizza Factory. It's great to see business owners investing in improvements. I'm sure when you see the changes, you'll agree they made the "Factory" even better. The Pizza Factory was missed when they were closed and it's great to have them back serving their delicious pizza and pastas. I hope to see you there.

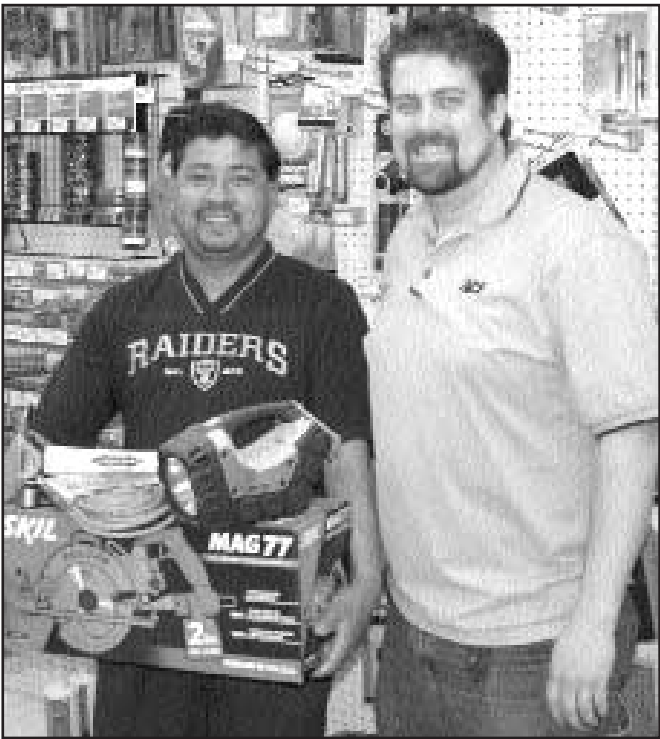


Photo by Charles Wallace
Seth Jennings, manager at Pacific Ace Hardware, is shown here with Juan Martinez, winner of a \$500 shopping spree at the store, on Sunday, April 9.

Young appointed to organic products advisory commitee

Jack Young of Winters was recently appointed to the California Organic Products Advisory Committee of the California Department of Food and Agriculture.

The California Organic Products Advisory Committee makes recommendations to the Secretary pertaining to the State Organic Program, which was created at the request of the California organic industry to protect producers, handlers, processors, retailers and consumers of organic foods sold in California by enforcing labeling laws relating to "organic" claims for fresh agricultural products.

Jack is an auctioneer with West Auctions in Woodland. He also sits on the Board of the local Valley Energy Efficiency Corporation. He is a Certified Public Accountant and formerly worked for the international accounting firm KPMG. Jack is a former Davis Food Co-op Board Treasurer and was Scout Master for local Boy Scout Troops 600 and 466.

Winters Chamber of Commerce meetings are open to the public. The Chamber meets on the second Friday of each month at 7 a.m. in the Chamber office inside the Community Center. For more information, call 795-2329.

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one of the top civic innovators of the 21st Century. Burden has worked with over 1,000 communities in North America, including many in California, to help them create more livable, safer, walkable communities. Wallwork, of Alternative Street Design, P.A. in Orange Park, Florida, has 25 years of experience in traffic engineering, road construction, transportation design and traffic calming, through a wide range of projects. Wallwork's perspective is that streets and highways are transportation corridors for all people and can be designed to benefit motorists, transit, pedestrians, bicyclists, and people with disabilities.

At the Thursday night kickoff event, Burden will provide participants with an overview of the workshop process, followed by a moderated group brainstorming and a prioritizing session. He plans to make these meetings fun and informative for all

ages.

The Saturday events will start with a walking tour of key areas to assess walking, bicycling, transit and driving conditions from all users' points of view, followed by a design training session. The afternoon session will consist of community design tables, where participants will break up into smaller groups and draw their design solutions on maps of the streets.

Following the Saturday session, the workshop team will prepare design concepts with computer images to represent the vision for improvement identified through these exercises and activities.

On Tuesday evening, the workshop team leaders will present the design concepts at a closing workshop at the Community Center. Participants are invited to provide any additional input before the concepts are developed into a final vision.

For more information, call Dan Sokolow, city of Winters community development director, 795-4910, extension 114.

POLICE

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April 22

~ Jeff Aladdin Lorenzo, 45, of Winters was arrested for inflicting corporal injury on his spouse. Lorenzo was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ Humberto Ceasar Segura, 18, of Winters was arrested for possessing a dangerous weapon (brass knuckles). Segura was booked at the Winters Police Department and transported to the Yolo County Jail for incarceration.

~ John Matthew Lorenzo, 23, of Winters was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

UC Davis retirees to meet

All University of California retirees, from any campus in the state, are invited to attend the Spring Meeting of the UC Davis Retirees' Association on Monday, May 1 in the Rec Pool Lodge on UC Davis Campus.

A social time with refreshments from 2- 2:30 p.m. will precede the meeting. The program, from 2:30-4 p.m. features Jody Boyette, associate vice-president, Human Resources and Benefits, Office of President, University of California. The title of her talk is "Managing Your Retirement Funds." UCDRA officers for the 2006-07 year will be elected.

Parking is available in Lot 30, which is off Hutchinson Drive. For more information, call Aggie Costantini, Membership Chair, at 756-2009.

Blood alcohol content results: .25/.25. Lorenzo was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

~ At I-505 and County Road 29A, an Officer assisted the California Highway Patrol with a traffic enforcement stop of an occupied stolen vehicle.

April 23

~ Sean Antonio Sullivan, 28, of Fairfield was arrested for driving under the influence of marijuana and speeding. Sullivan was booked at the Winters Police Department and released to a sober adult on a notice to appear.

~ On the 100 block of Main Street, an officer responded to an audible alarm. The business was cleared.

Bioenergetics to be featured

The public is invited to the Davis IONS Spring Gathering on Sunday, April 30 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Blanchard Room of the Yolo County Library, 315 East 14th Street in Davis.

Join us for a panel discussion of the emerging fields of bioenergetics, which is defined as "the study of the flow and transformation of

energy in and between living organisms and between living organisms in their environment." The panel will consist of local practitioners from such diverse healing therapies as chiropractic, acupuncture, homeopathy and shamanism.

The gathering is free and non-members are welcome to attend and encouraged to bring a friend.

COUNCIL

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sible in Yolo County. The new language also will indicate a preference for mitigation within the seven-mile radius.

Stone suggested some flexibility in the language.

"Make it a preference, not an absolute," said Stone, asking for "flexibility to do what we have to do" if mitigation is impossible within the seven-mile radius or Yolo County.

The Habitat Mitigation Program will return to the council for a vote following Sokolow's edits.

Other items

~ The second reading and approval of the ordinance adopting the Winters Highlands Development Agreement was approved unanimously, with Martinez stepping down for the discussion and vote due to a conflict of interest. Developer Dan Trottman of Richland Planning Communities expressed concerns over the waste water treatment plans, which the council noted.

~ The second reading and approval of an ordinance rezoning the Winters Highlands Property, property to the north, and adopting a planned development permit was unanimously approved.

~ Discussed proposed increases to the Yolo County Public Development Impact Fee, including significantly increased fees and new fees. According to Donleavy, the county's position is that it can impose these fees on Winters, a point that was open for debate as far as the Winters City Council is concerned. Godden noted that the county doesn't build any facilities within Winters city limits, and also took issue with the amount the county charges Winters for its animal shelter. Martinez noted that the Winters Chamber of Commerce sent the city council a letter expressing con-

cern over fees charged for non-residential development. No vote was taken on the matter, which is expected to reappear on the May 16 city council agenda.

~ Anderson proposed formally naming the Railroad Trestle Bridge after the late mayor and council member Robert Chapman, who contributed much effort to this project as well as many others. Anderson also suggested a formal ceremony. Donleavy noted that the city doesn't have a formal policy for making such dedications, and said, "The way we do it the first time is the way we'll do it the second time." Although Stone asserted that "common sense should be able to prevail," and a vote approving the dedication should be able to take place on the spot, the council ultimately agreed unanimously to bring the item back as a resolution.

~ The council approved an increase in their stipend from \$75 to \$150. The council has not implemented an increase since 1966, and the increase is in accordance with the state's guidelines that link city council stipends to population. The stipend will go in effect after the June election. The motion passed with four "aye" votes, and a "no" vote from Fridae.

~ Regarding a vacancy on the planning commission, Stone and Fridae will meet with previous applicants from the last vacancy, and a notice will be placed in the Winters Express notifying residents that they may apply for the seat.

~ A deadline of 5 p.m. on the Tuesday prior to a meeting was agreed upon for completion of council agenda packets to allow council members time to read the packets thoroughly.

The city council will meet next on Tuesday, May 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall.

Community Advisors discuss future growth

The first meeting of the Community Advisors Circle took place at the Heidrick Agriculture History Museum in Woodland.

President of the Board of the Yolo Community Foundation, Margaret Burns of Winters, said, “Our board has just approved an initiative that we think will help us set priorities in the coming 20 years. Yolo County, along with the rest of this region, will be undergoing population and resource changes that will alter the way Yolo County looks.

“We want to know that we will be in a position to help maintain the positive aspects of Yolo County while undergoing change. We wanted the advice and expertise of our Community Advisory Circle on our Leadership - 2025 plan.”

The Community Advisors are: Sandy Cordoza, Paul and Gail Casson, Richard C. Dorf, Elly Fairclough, Mohini Jain, Mary Kimball, Paul Kolarik, Jim Lapsley, Freddie Oakley, Lynnel Pollock, Jose Lopez Rivera, Irma Rodriguez, Meg Stallard, Mary Stephens and Robert Young.

“This group has enormous expertise in multiple facets of Yolo County. Their advice is invaluable,” said Burns.

The document points out that Yolo County's population will increase by 37 percent by the year 2025; West Sacramento will be the largest city, adding another 60,000 new residents; half of Yolo Coun-

ty's population will be Latino, one-third white; employment will continue to shift from agriculture to service and related positions.

Paul Harder, chair of the Leadership-2025 committee, said, “Yolo County could easily face the same future as other California counties that have experienced high rates of growth coupled with rapid demographic shifts. These include sprawl, a lack of connection with others, low levels of civic participation, inadequate structure for meeting community needs, ethnic tension and a reduced quality of life. Yolo Community Foundation intends to reduce the likelihood of these problems as our communities evolve.”

The advisors offered suggestions to help prioritize the Leadership-2025 plan, and focused particularly on the usefulness for engaging youth in the fu-

ture of the county, as well as protecting the quality of life for seniors. The advisors commented in written responses that they were very positive about the role Yolo Community Foundation could play to 1) act as a neutral convenor; 2) give voice to an overview of the region; and 3) have a vision for strategic support.

Charles Lacy, YCF Board member, said, “Yolo Community Foundation is a bank for civic investment in Yolo County communities.”

Yolo Community Foundation is one of 600 community foundations nationwide. Their mission is “To match the philanthropic interests of donors with the needs and opportunities of the Yolo County community.” To find out more about YCF, visit the website at www.yolocf.org or call 312-0593.

Sunflower art workshops offered

NAMI-Yolo, the local chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness is offering four sunflower art workshops in ceramics or pastel on paper. All participants will be invited to enter their pieces in the 2006 Sunflower Art Competition, which will be on display at the Davis Art Center, 1919 F Street, Davis during June. The four sessions are: Ceramics with Heidi Bekebrede at the Davis Art Center, Sunday April 30 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. or Sunday May 7, 2 to 3:30 p.m. and Pastel on Paper with Roma Devanbu, Saturday May 6, 2 to 3:30 p.m. at Haven House, 128 College St.,

Woodland or Saturday May 20 time and location to be announced. Workshops are suitable for all ages but children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Fully funded by the City of Davis Arts Contract Program these workshops are free, but space is very limited and advanced registration is required. Walk ins are not accepted. To register, and for additional information, please call workshop coordinator Melissa Lyans at 220-4670 or email her at mlyans@pacbell.net. For general information about the Sunflower Art Competition please visit www.namisunflowers.org

Bicycle auction planned

The public is invited to attend the biannual UC-Davis Bicycle Auction on Saturday, April 29. Almost 400 bicycles will be available. The bicycles may be viewed from 8 - 9 a.m. with bidding at 9 a.m.

The auction takes place behind the former site of UC Davis office of Transportation and Parking Services on Extension Center Drive off of Hutchison Drive between Highway 113 and La Rue Rd.

For further information, call the Bicycle Program Coordinator, 752-2453

Entertainment

Next Art Walk features live music

The next Winters Art Walk takes place on Saturday, May 6 in downtown Winters. Official Art Walk hours are noon to 6 p.m., but some participants are open earlier, as noted below. The complete listing and map is available and printable on line at www.PorFinPottery.com. For the first time, live music will grace the sidewalks from noon to 1 p.m. in front of Steady Eddy's during the Art Walk. Richard Hemenway (guitar), Guy Kyser (banjo), Kari King (mandolin), Jason Weinstein (guitar), Al Vallecio (fiddle) and Dwight Howard (upright bass) will comprise the group of musicians.

Steady Eddy's Coffee House, 5 E. Main St. will exhibit mixed medium art and quilted art from the private collection of Diane Graves-Lis, ceramics and prints by Sharon Bloom and pottery by Rebecca Bresnick-Holmes. Steady Eddy's is open from 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The Palms, 13 Main St., 1st Floor hallway is exhibiting Winters Tales: Oral History Project by photographer Jamie Chomas. The Palms is open from 4 to 8 p.m.

The Arte Junction, 308 Railroad Avenue, exhibits can be seen at www.theartejunction.com. Art walk hours are 4 p.m to 8 p.m.

Michelangelo coming to Palms

The classis struggle between flesh and the spirit is portrayed through "Michelangelo," a special concert performance at The Palms on Saturday, May 13 beginning at 8 p.m. "Michelangelo" depicts the colliding worlds of religion, art and intrigue in the Rome of 1508. Composer/lyricist Dario Vanni brings together romantic love and politics clash in one of history's most glorious and shattering moments at the time of Michelangelo's incredible creation of Genesis on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel.

In anticipation of the 500th anniversary of

Briggs & Co., 820 Railroad Avenue, will exhibit ceramic sculpture by Robert Finn and "Cruzando la Frontera" photography by Woody Fridae with artist reception and live music May 6 from 7-10 p.m. "Cruzando la Frontera" is a collection of stark images taken recently near in and around the border town of Nogales, Mexico. Briggs & Co. is open noon to 10 p.m.

Berryessa Gap Vineyards, 15 Main Street, will exhibit "Fresh Forms," paintings by Lynne Cunningham with a chance to meet the artist May 6, 3 to 6 p.m. Art Walk hours are from noon to 6 p.m.

Lester Farms Bakery, 606 Railroad Avenue, will exhibit "Shadow/Light" photography by Larry Powell, a Woodland resident.

Winters Center for the Arts, 31 Main Street, is exhibiting the Annual Winters High School Art Show featuring a reception on May 6 from 6 to 8 p.m.

There is no charge to participate in the Art Walk. For more information call or e-mail Rebecca Bresnick-Holmes at 795-0692 or Rebecca@porfinpottery.com.

Visit www.PorFinPottery.com to download an Art Walk Map and Participant Listing and www.WintersCA.org for information about Winters.

Michelangelo's timeless art The Michelangelo Group, in concert play format, presents "Michelangelo," the musical. The music in this production has been compared to Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Phantom of the Opera," "Les Miserables" and other high-end Broadway hits.

Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased by phone at Pacific Ace Hardware, 35 Main Street, Winters, Armadillo Music, 205 F Street, Davis, or in Woodland at the Next Chapter Book Store, 622 Main Street.

For additional information, call David Leibergot at 606-5936.

Event to benefit Meals on Wheels

Friends of Meals on Wheels presents the 17th Annual Epicurean Esprit. on Thursday, May 18, at the historic Gibson Mansion. This fundraiser benefits Meals on Wheels programs of Yolo County. The event offers a unique opportunity to sample the

cuisine of Yolo County's most talented chefs and wine makers while supporting senior meal programs in the community.

Tickets are \$40, advance purchase only. For more information, call the Elderly Nutrition Program in Yolo County, 662-7035.

Tour to feature Abbey House Inn

It's time again for the annual Heart of the Home Kitchen Tour, benefiting the American Red Cross of Yolo County.

This year's tour, scheduled for Saturday, May 20, features seven homes throughout Yolo County, which have new, renovated or restored kitchens. Even featured will be the

Abbey House Inn bed and breakfast, a turn-of-the-century cottage in the historic town of Winters. The sixth annual tour will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Tickets are on sale now for \$25. Call the American Red Cross at 662-4669 for tickets, or check for more information online at www.yc-arc.org.

Ball gowns optional



Photo by Cassi Lyn

Winters Chamber of Commerce president and Palms owner Dave Fleming (left) and Winters Friends of the Library president Sally Brown are all set for the WFoL (pronounced "wif-fle") Ball on Saturday, April 30, at The Palms at 8:30 p.m.. The event features Mumbo Gumbo and raises funds for WFoL. Tickets are \$17 and are available at Pacific Ace Hardware and at the door if not sold out. Ball gowns optional.

Capay garden tour planned

What a wonderful way to spend Mothers Day — touring the beautiful gardens of the Capay Valley. Come join in the delight of spring flowers on Sunday, May 14, strolling through many of the valleys' finest gardens.

The tour runs from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and there will be refreshments to buy at several of the gardens. Participants are encouraged to bring picnics to enjoy in the gardens as well. Plants and artwork will also be for sale. From the quaint town of Capay to the town of Rumsey, 10 different gardens will be open throughout the day.

The cost of the tour is \$10 per adult (children are free). Tickets are available at the Capay Valley Vision office on Main Street in Esparto, the Corner Store in Guinda, The Next Chapter in Woodland or at the Davis Art Center in Davis. Call 796-3464 for more information.

They're dancing for a cure

By PATTY ROMINGER
Special to the Express

Winters is fortunate to have so many young people who care about making the world a better place. Just about a month ago, dancers from the local Studio C Dance Company, shared their time and their talent to raise money for breast cancer research. These are young people and teenagers who want to use their lives to make a difference in the lives of others.

The Studio C Dance Company, is sponsoring another dance benefit on Saturday, May 13, to raise more money for cancer research. The benefit will be held at the Veterans Memorial Center Theater in Davis. Show times are 2

p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

80 to 100 dancers of all ages are expected to participate in this benefit, including Winters' own Halaui Hula O Lei Hali'a Dance Company specializing in traditional hula and Tahitian dance. Other dance companies from Placer and Sacramento Counties will also participate with many types of dance featured from hip hop to classical ballet.

Ticket prices for the May 13 benefit are \$12 for general admission, \$10 for students and seniors and \$8 for children 3 to 12 years. Tickets are available at the door or by calling Tara Manners at 794-1900.

There will be a silent auction at each show with many items of interest donated by local businesses.

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Sports

Warrior swimmers dominate

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

On Thursday, April 20, the Warriors swim team competed against Marysville and Lindhurst High Schools. "This turned out to be an unbelievable meet," said coach Kevin Chester. "It was set up as a double dual meet." Against Lindhurst the Warriors won every event except for the 200 Medley Relay. Against Marysville the Warriors won 7 out of 11 races. Freshman Woody DeVries won the 200 meters with a time of 2:25.3. Tyler Cross won the 200 individual medley in 2:16.5. In the 50 free Jordan Shugart won with a time of 26.8. In the 500 free Alec Bouwens won in a time of 6:53.0. The 200 free Relay

team of Shugart, Cross, DeVries and Clinton Freed won with a time of 1:46.7. In the 100 Breast stroke Cross won in 1:05.5. Winters won the 400 free relay with Bouwens, Shugart, DeVries and Cross in a time of 3:56.4. "The best part of this meet was that the score going into the last relay was 68-69 with Marysville up by one point, Chester said. "During the last relay everyone from both teams were on their feet cheering their heads off and in the end we won and the final score was 76-73 Winters. The boys ended up going 6-0 in the regular season meets and either way we will be either league champions or co-league champs. This was the best meet that the boys could ever have. They pulled out a great win," Chester added. Coach

Chester was also impressed by the performance of Morgan Fjord. "Morgan has improved a great deal. He took 21 seconds off his 100 free time," Chester added. The girls won both the meets against Marysville and Lindhurst. The girls team finished the season 5-1 with their only loss coming against Rio Vista. The girls ended up winning every event against Marysville and Lindhurst. "This was an easy victory for them," Chester said. Dora Anastasi won the 200 individual medley with a time of 3:01.2 and won the 100 backstroke in 1:17.3. Jamie Anderson won the 100 breast stroke with a time of 1:26.3, while Sabrina DeVries won the 100 fly with a time of 1:24.4.

Track girls place third at invitational

BY JAY SHUTTLEWORTH
Special to the Express

The Winters High School track and field team competed at the 23rd Annual Dave Ramsey Invitational at Placer High School last Saturday. The meet featured sixteen area schools punctuated by the presence of perennial Nevada-state champion, Churchill County of Fallon. The most notable WHS highlight was the varsity girls' third place team finish behind Churchill County and Bear River. For the varsity girls, their team effort was capped by a stirring victory in the 4x400 relay. The squad of senior Natalie Cooley, junior Lauren Yehle, junior Leslie Contreras, and senior Courtney Carner clocked 4:28.60 to top 2nd place North Lake Tahoe by eight seconds. The finish lowered the quartet's existing school record by almost four seconds. The 4x100 relay team of Yehle, Contreras, junior Jessica Jordan, and freshman Danielle Murphy placed third behind Churchill County and Foothill. Murphy also finished sixth in the 400 in a personal-best of 1:06.70. Contreras clocked 28.75 to nab fifth in the 200, while Jordan clocked a season-best 30.92.



Photo by Jay Shuttleworth
Senior Natalie Cooley leads the 800 at a recent track meet.

Yehle won the 300 hurdles in memorable fashion and lowered her existing school-record to 49.66. Yehle also placed third in the 100 hurdles (16.86). Carner clocked 1:04.00 to grab second place in the 400, and Cooley placed fourth in the mile (5:54.19) and in the 800 (2:38.72). Senior Vanessa Rubio placed fifth in the two mile in a significant personal-

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Lady Warriors fall to Wheatland Pirates

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

On Wednesday, April 19, the Winters High School varsity softball team traveled to Wheatland. The Pirates defeated the Warriors 10-0. "It was a better game than the score indicates," said Coach Traci Calvert. "We did a lot of things right today," she

added. Jessica Graham pitched the first three innings allowing 10 runs, 8 hits, 3 strikeouts and 5 walks. Caitlin Calvert pitched the last inning of the game allowing no runs, no hits, 2 strikeouts and no walks. The Warriors only committed two errors in the game. "They played heads up ball, taking their time and making good throws,"

said Coach Calvert. Despite soggy field conditions, center fielder Amber Johnston made a great catch to rob the Wheatland player of at least a double. Offensively, the Warriors had players on the bases several times, but were unable to score. Adrianne Lizarraga led the Warriors batting 2 for 2 with a single in the second and fourth.

Thomson throws, hits Warriors to victory

By ERIC and LAURA LUCERO
Express sports correspondents

On Wednesday, April 19, the Winters High School varsity baseball team traveled to Wheatland to take on the Pirates and got all they could handle in a 1-0 Butte View League victory. Junior left hander, Alex Thomson stepped up big for the Warriors as he threw a complete game allowing just three hits, no runs two walks and struck out seven batters. Thomson improved his overall record to 4-1 and 3-0 in BVL action. At the plate Thomson helped himself out with the Warriors only hit and RBI in the game. Facing one of the sections best pitchers the Warriors had to take advantage of the Pirates mistakes.

In the third inning Brenden Benson reached first base on an over throw. Benson stole his way over to third, and then scored the Warriors only run when Thomson hit a sacrifice hit down the first base line. The Pirates biggest threat came in the bottom of the sixth when they had runners on first and third with their best hitter up and two outs.

Coach Jeff Ingles elected to intentionally walk the runner to set up the force at any base. "I've never done that before," said Ingles. "I don't like giving up bases." The plan worked as the next batter hit one up the middle and second baseman Nathanael Lucero scooped it and tossed it to shortstop Jacob Thorne for the third out.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Kevin Rowell

Kevin Rowell, a sophomore on the Winters High School JV baseball team is this week's Winters Express athlete of the week. Last week on Wednesday, April 19, Rowell led the Warriors to a BVL victory by throwing a no-hitter against Wheatland while striking out nine batters. Rowell helped himself out at the plate batting 1 for 3 with 2 RBI. Two days later the Warriors played in the Rio Vista tournament and Rowell batted 5 for 8 with 3 RBI.

Nuestras Noticias



¿Y el muro?

Veamos, si este país decide, por medio de su Congreso, construir la famosa pared o valla fronteriza esa que cubrirá una tercera parte de la frontera sur y costará más de 2,000 millones de dólares, ¿quienes se creen ustedes que van a poner los ladrillos, el concreto o lo que sea que vaya a ser para construir nuestro muro de Berlín particular?

Así es, como usted mismo o misma lo acaba de imaginar, existe una gran probabilidad de que la mayor parte de la mano de obra utilizada para construir la valla que supuestamente va a mantener fuera a los indocumentados sean los mismos indocumentados.

Todo esto es bien irónico. La industria de la construcción, tan próspera en estos tiempos de bonanza de bienes raíces y de reconstrucciones de ciudades arrasadas por tragedias es, de todas, la que más se apoya en la mano de obra de indocumentados. Según el PEW Center, hasta el 25% de los trabajadores en esta industria, en todo el país, son indocumentados. Sabiendo que, en general, estos estimados suelen ir por lo bajito, podemos adivinar que es aún más que eso.

También se me ocurre que Halliburton, esa empresa amada por la administración Bush y particularmente por el vicepresidente Cheney, podría llevarse el contrato de 2,000 millones para la construcción. Y ya se ha visto que Halliburton no le hace el feo a contratar a indocumentados o a empresas que contratan a indocumentados ('no fuimos nosotros, fueron ellos', etc.).

De hecho, numerosos reportes de prensa comprueban que Halliburton y sus contratistas utilizaron a cientos de indocumentados para limpiar el desastre después del huracán Katrina y que ahora, son indocumentados en su mayoría los que están reconstruyendo la devastada zona.

Si la culpa la tienen las empresas, por pagar sueldos de miseria, o los indocumentados que toman los trabajos que hay, al precio que haya, (porque al fin y al cabo lo que 'haya' es más que lo que había en su país), eso es harina de otro costal

En todo caso lo que si es cierto es que para construir la bendita valla fronteriza, tendrían que pedir papeles y pagar buenos salarios. Pero creo que ni así podrían asegurar que no se cuelean los indocumentados porque, al fin y al cabo, quien va a ir a partirse el lomo a la inhóspita frontera por diez dólares la hora, que sería un 'buen salario' en este negocio donde un jornalero puede cobrar la mitad y hacer un trabajo igualito de bien hecho.

No sé. Francamente. Ustedes dirán si me equivoco, pero sería hasta gracioso, aunque también trágico, que los paisanos terminaran construyendo la valla porque en realidad, en estas cosas el mercado libre es el que manda y es lo que terminaría ocurriendo ¿no? Y el mercado libre es la base de esta economía tan próspera ¿verdad?

Manifestaciones

Por el ruido y las reacciones contrarias que causaron, es posible decir que las manifestaciones en pro de los inmigrantes indocumentados tocaron un nervio en Estados Unidos. Pero también es correcto indicar que mostraron la fortaleza y las debilidades de un movimiento que de hecho es todavía “no nato”.

En EU, como en todo el mundo, existe ahora una situación donde las ideologías y las posiciones políticas se mezclan, frecuentemente de forma incómoda y también con repetida frecuencia con efectos de disolución. Eso parece ocurrir ahora al movimiento pro-migrantes. No tanto porque no sea justo o porque no sea necesario, sino porque su composición lo hace permeable.

Esa gran coalición de grupos de base que repentinamente surgieron y se colocaron al frente de la política estadounidense encontraron también la adhesión de organizaciones deseosas -sincera y legítimamente o por conveniencia y apariencia- de participar de algo importante.

Y para un movimiento carente de líderes, sin una estructura formal, esas adhesiones pueden ser más problemas y más causa de conflicto que ayuda y contribución. El debate en torno de lo que deberá ocurrir el 1 de mayo, con algunos grupos en favor de un boicot y otros en contra, es una señal de que el eterno debate en cuanto a tácticas deseables y niveles a los que se desea llegar entró al movimiento antes que una organización real.

Ver al movimiento pro-migrante como algo únicamente mexicano sería un error. Hay

centroamericanos y africanos, asiáticos y europeos, y verlo como una cuestión únicamente latina, por más que quienes predominen sean los latinoamericanos, sería también un error. Y ver las manifestaciones como expresiones ideológicamente revolucionarias sería un error aún más grande.

En EU circula un viejo cuento, el del migrante recién juramentado como ciudadano que de regreso a su vecindario lo primero que hace es quejarse de “esos inmigrantes”. Correcto o no, el chiste indica un estado de ánimo y una forma de ver la vida que es necesario no perder de vista.

En todo caso, el debate ocurre al mismo tiempo que grupos antiinmigrantes reaccionan con todo su odio y sus temores disfrazados de patriotismo y nacionalismo, aprovechándose de expresiones también extremas que se encuentran entre los grupos promigrantes.

Esos extremos son los que ahora dominan el diálogo público en Estados Unidos. Pero éste es un país que instintivamente busca el centro, al menos “su” centro político, y si bien es cierto que la migración los llena de temores, también lo es que muchos de sus principios los llevan a la compasión.

Sería importante que los migrantes y sus dirigentes pudieran encontrar también su centro y mantener su empuje. De cualquier manera ya informaron a Estados Unidos de lo que puede pasar si los ignoran.

Un conflicto sin solución

Un senador estadounidense declaró que debían darle un plazo razonable a los iraquíes para que se organizaran o si no Estados Unidos debía sacar sus tropas y dejarlos que se las arreglen solos.

En realidad ésta es la conclusión que alcanzó el mundo antes de la invasión a Irak, déjenlos que se organicen solos y que resuelvan sus problemas; pero por razones que George Bush entiende muy bien, se lanzó una invasión que destruyó el aparato de control y represión interno, las fuerzas de ocupación no entienden que las formas de represión tienen una connotación cultural y ese país ha entrado a una descomposición estructural cuya reparación no solamente tomará mucho tiempo, sino que será muy dolorosa. Esto no implica justificar o aceptar la barbarie de Saddam Husein o cualquier otro régimen dictatorial o represivo, pero tampoco puede aceptarse la cancelación de las libertades a partir de la promoción del miedo como hace el gobierno estadounidense cotidianamente.

Estados Unidos se ha conver-

tido en una potencia mundial, pero no sabe cómo imponer su dominio sobre el mundo, cada nueva aventura expansionista lo recibe con rechazo internacional y hasta en lo doméstico hay grandes protestas, porque se transparenta que la expansión es para el beneficio de unos cuantos.

Parte del problema consiste en la falta de educación del liderazgo de Estados Unidos, George Bush es el mejor ejemplo de un presidente ignorante y sin conocimientos que le permitan prever los errores a partir de simplemente entender la historia y poder determinar el camino a seguir.

Es posible que en su amplia arrogancia, Bush piense que está más allá de la historia o que mesiánicamente la historia es él, porque si Bush la hubiera estudiado, habría aprendido del imperio romano, el que gobernaba sujeto estrictamente a las leyes de Roma respetando los marcos legales de las civilizaciones conquistadas. ¡Ay del gobernante romano que violara las leyes de Roma porque su cas-

tigo era inmenso!

Estados Unidos invade y domina a los pueblos violando sus propias leyes; sus soldados caen en la barbarie que iban a eliminar convirtiéndose en animales que torturan de una forma que no se atreverían a hacerlo en casa. Cuando son descubiertos, inventan nuevas formas de prisión y tortura (como la prisión en Guantánamo) que viola las convenciones internacionales y hasta las leyes de Estados Unidos.

El liderazgo estadounidense debe terminar de aceptar que la guerra civil que se ha desatado no terminará pronto y que están atrapados —todos— en una situación con pocas salidas. Mientras más tarden en salir más bajas habrá y más casos de terrorismo se registrarán; si se salen intempestivamente —cosa que no harán— la solución política seguramente no será del agrado de Estados Unidos, pero posiblemente lleve al liderazgo a pensar que no puede convivir con la solución, lo que puede llevar a reinstalar la ocupación. Impon-

er modelos externos no siempre es la solución más inteligente, no la más viable.

De alguna manera esto es lo que sucedió en la Autoridad Palestina, trataron de jugar a la democracia occidental y ganó el grupo terrorista que tenía fondos para sostener una red de servicio social; ese gobierno “legítimo” ha hecho declaraciones de guerra que alejan la solución del conflicto convirtiéndolo sorpresivamente en un nuevo juego.

Si dejan que los iraquíes se las arreglen solos podrán darnos una gran sorpresa, casi como la que nos dieron los iraníes cuando instituyeron un gobierno fundamentalista que alejó las libertades democráticas “occidentales” y ahora amenaza con lanzarse a una aventura atómica que seguramente desquiciara el endeble equilibrio que hayen el mundo de la guerra nuclear. Si no los dejan es posible que ese conflicto se radicalice y extienda y mientras tanto, por si faltara algo, los precios del petróleo y gasolina están por los cielos.

Preparación Académica de la Universidad de California

Los programas de preparación académica de la Universidad de California han hecho avances significativos en ayudar a los estudiantes con desventajas académicas a prepararse para la universidad, según un nuevo estudio que evalúa estos programas utilizando una metodología más rigurosa que nunca antes.

Los programas están ayudando a los estudiantes a completar los cursos preuniversitarios requeridos por las universidades, a prepararse y tomar los exámenes estandarizados de admisión, a aprobar el Examen de Salida de Secundaria (CAHSEE) y a matricularse en la universidad después de la graduación, según indica el reporte.

“Este estudio demuestra la importancia de los programas de preparación académica a cargo de la UC enfocados en preparar a más jóvenes de California para los rigores de una educación universitaria”, dijo el presidente de la Universidad de California Robert C. Dynes. “El continuo éxito de California en la economía global depende en gran medida de nuestra habilidad de lograr que la próxima generación de estudiantes tenga acceso a la educación superior para que puedan obtener los conocimientos y las habilidades necesarias para contribuir a nuestro estado. Estos programas hacen una contribución vital, y este re-

porte es muestra de la responsabilidad que tomamos por la inversión de fondos públicos en estos programas”.

Los programas de “Preparación Académica de Estudiantes” de la UC benefician a más de 116,000 alumnos de kindergarten al doceavo grado en 746 escuelas públicas y 109 colegios comunitarios en California. Los programas se enfocan mayormente en estudiantes con desventajas socioeconómicas, alumnos que serían los primeros en sus familias en ingresar a la universidad, o quienes asisten a escuelas de bajo rendimiento.

En abril del 2005, guiada por las recomendaciones de un comité integrado por representantes de la Universidad, la Legislatura, y el departamento de finanzas del estado, la UC adoptó un nuevo y más riguroso esquema de responsabilidad por estos programas. El esquema establece metas de tres y cinco años para los programas y utiliza un proceso de evaluación basado en datos que mide los resultados de los programas en un número más amplio de categorías, lo cual produce un nivel más alto de supervisión y evaluación que el existente para programas similares a través del país.

El estudio arrojó varios resultados entre los que se destacan:

Aproximadamente el 66 por ciento de los alumnos en los programas de MESA,

PUENTE y el programa de Acercamiento Escolar (Early Academic Outreach) se matriculan en un colegio comunitario o la universidad en el semestre de otoño inmediatamente después de su graduación de preparatoria, comparado con el 46 por ciento de los graduados de preparatoria a través del estado.

Cerca del 61 por ciento de los estudiantes en estos programas en las escuelas de más bajo rendimiento del estado toman los exámenes estandarizados de admisión SAT-I o el ACT, comparado con el 29 por ciento de quienes asisten a estas escuelas pero no participan en los programas.

Los participantes en los programas también se están preparando y teniendo éxito en el currículo preuniversitario. El 73 por ciento de los alumnos en el programa de Acercamiento Escolar (Early Academic Outreach) completaron los cursos “a-g” requeridos por la Universidad, así como el 53 por ciento de los participantes en el programa PUENTE, lo que se compara con un índice estatal del 34 por ciento.

Más estudiante están pasando el Examen de Salida de Secundaria (CAHSEE). Por ejemplo, el 96 por ciento de los alumnos de décimo grado en el programa PUENTE aprobaron el examen de inglés y el 92 por ciento la sección matemáticas, comparado con el 63 y el 61 por ciento respectivamente para los to-

dos los alumnos provenientes de hogares de bajos ingresos a nivel estatal.

Como parte del presupuesto estatal del 2005-06, la Legislatura y el gobernador le pidieron a la UC que proveyera en abril del 2006 un reporte exhaustivo sobre los resultados de estos programas utilizando el nuevo esquema de responsabilidad. El reporte cumple con esa obligación y provee una evaluación programa por programa de los avances que se han logrado para cumplir con el esquema de responsabilidad. El estudio será utilizado por los legisladores del estado para guiarlos en decisiones futuras sobre el financiamiento de los programas de preparación académica.

Debido a su importancia para el estado, la UC está urgiendo enérgicamente que se mantengan los \$17 millones en fondos estatales para los programas de preparación académica en el presupuesto estatal para el 2006-07. La Universidad también provee \$12 millones de dólares en fondos internos para financiar estos programas. Los programas han utilizado los \$29 millones que reciben en conjunto como apalancamiento para conseguir \$40 millones adicionales en fondos federales y privados.

Grupo de apoyo en español

NAMI Yolo una dependencia de la Alianza Nacional del Enfermo Mental, auspicia nuevamente un Grupo de Apoyo en Español para aquellos que cuidan a un familiar o amigo afectado por trastornos mentales.

La misin de NAMI Yolo es proveer a las familias en Yolo con un ambiente seguro y amigable para compartir experiencias, aprender mejores estrategias, y dar informacion acerca de las enfermedades men-

tales; tales como: el estrs, la ansiedad, la adiccion, la depresion, la esquizofrenia, y otras. El grupo se reunir el faltimo jueves de cada mes en el local de Yolo Family Resource Center # 409 Lincoln Ave. Woodland de 6:30pm. a 8:00pm. Este 27 de Abril tendremos el grupo de apoyo.

Ud. no este solo; para mayor informacion llame a los coordinadores: Amparo Hernandez: 662-2274 y Marielena Vega 756-7001

Wrestlers travel to tournament

A few Winters Wrestlers went to Stanford University in Palo Alto to wrestle in the West Coast Asics National Folkstyle tournament. The popularity of wrestling in California is growing at a fast pace, so more national tournament directors are starting to bring their tournaments to this state. "It's real exciting to see our kids be able to compete at this level" says coach Tim Hausler.

Competing in the High School women's 130 pound to 140 pound was Victoria Spinetti. Victoria did a excellent job making it to third place, losing two very tough matches.

Jesse Hellinger was out with injury in his first match of the day. "It was to bad for him. I think he would have done well," said coach Tim Hausler.

Competing in the 12 and under brackets were Chirs Calderone at 120 pound and Mike Lopez at 85 pound. Chris did an outstanding job placing second and Mike fought hard for sixth place.

At 8 and under were Dan Hausler and Zachary Linton. Zach placed third and Dan took a impressive second place.

Next week the wrestlers will travel to Turlock for Greco State. Zachary Linton has a chance to get the triple crown at this tournament. The triple crown is awarded to a wrestler who has won three major USA tournaments; Zach has placed first in Folkstyle State and the Western States Championships.

A's win three

Minor baseball A's team won 16-1 against Esparto on April 17. Christian Corrales pitched three innings with six strikeouts. Henry Nicholson pitched one inning with three strikeouts. Christian had a triple, Michael Bermudez had two doubles. Kevin Lane, Jacob Lowrie, Eli Layne, Henry Nicholson, Ricky Riise and Anthony Pedroia all had singles. Eli had four RBIs, Michael had three RBIs, Christian had two RBIs, Jacob.

The team played Esparto again on April 20 and won again in a shutout with a score of 10-0. Henry Nicholson pitched with eight strikeouts. Henry had a double and a single. Christian, Michael, Nick McKenna and Ricky all had singles.

The A's then played the White Sox on April 22 and won 4-1. Michael Bermudez pitched with 13 strikeouts. Kevin Lane, Christian Corrales, Henry Nicholson, Ricky Riise, Anthony Pedroia, and Frances Todd all had singles. Eli Layne had a triple.

Coaches for the team are Joe Corrales, Alfredo Tejeda and Patrick Burke.

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best time of 13:58.76. Senior Erica Jordan also recorded a personal best in that event in 15:41.00. Senior Mayte Herrera placed fifth in the shotput in a personal best 28-4.

Team-captain Cara McCoy clocked a season-best 55.90 in the 300 hurdles, as did junior Katherine Rominger, who clocked 58.85. Freshman Karissa Sais clocked a season-best in the 200 (31.9).

The varsity boys' squad finished a respectable eighth among the 16-team field.

Junior Mat Catalan's 3rd-place, 17-6 long jump was the highest placement among the varsity boys' team. Junior Johnny Lucero was fifth in the long jump in 17-2, and he

Trophies for champions



Courtesy photo

At a recent martial arts tournament, students from Javier Martial Arts competed in sparring and self defense divisions and were awarded third place trophies. From left are Steven Gutierrez, Adrian Korcyl, Tyler Klug, Elizabeth Harris and Trevor Wright.

JV softball team splits Gridley doubleheader

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Express sports correspondents

On Friday, April 7, the Winters High School JV softball team lost the first game of a doubleheader against Gridley 12-2. Chelsea Corrales pitched the first inning and had one strikeout. Francisca Valencia pitched three innings and struck out four batters. Valencia had two hits, a double and a single. Rebeca Lopez had 2 hits, while Mattie Long, Elena Leal, Corrales, Kaelene Callison, Savannah Waldron, and Ari Ruiz all had singles for the Warriors.

In game two the Warriors came back and won convincingly 11-4 against the Bulldogs. Long pitched for the Warriors and had one strikeout. Va-

lencia had three hits and one run scored. Long and Lyndsey Mayhew-Hughes had two hits and one run each. Corrales and Olivia Wingard had one hit and two runs each. Lopez and Lillian Boisrame had one run each. Valencia had three RBI's, Wingard had two RBI's, while Long and Mayhew-Hughes each had one RBI for the Warriors.

On Wednesday, April 19, the Warriors hosted the Wheatland Pirates in another Butte View League game lost 15-4. Long pitched again for the Warriors and had three strikeouts. Corrales had two hits, a single and a double, while Mayhew-Hughes, Callison, Ruiz and Waldron all had singles for the Warriors.

Jr. Warrior football players and cheerleaders sought

The Winters Jr. Warriors football and cheerleading program is still holding sign ups for the 2006 season. Cheerleaders need to sign up as soon as possible to take advantage of fundraisers to offset participation fees.

Football squads are filling up quickly. Fees will be raised by \$15 in May and by another \$15 in June. Representatives will be at the park for Youth Day, Saturday, April 29, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The fund-raising kickoff for participating football players and cheerleaders will be on Sunday, April 30, at 2 p.m. at Winters Middle School. Interested families may fill out sign-up paperwork, and make participation deposit at this event also.

Any questions regarding sign ups should be directed to Susan Watkins, 787-3526, or Jackie Monnin, 795-1020.

placed second in the 300 hurdles (44.39), and sophomore Sam Lanfranco used torrid finishes to cap his third place effort in the 800 (2:25.19) and his fifth place finish in the 1600 (5:24.49). Freshman Robby Emery recorded a personal best in the two-mile (12:11.10) and finished seventh. Emery also ran a 5:48.15 in the 1600.

First-year thrower T. J. Johnson notched a personal best in the discus (87-6). Freshman Andrew Medina recorded a personal best in the 400 (59.85).

The WHS track and field team hosts Gridley and BVL nemesis Sutter at Dr. Sellers Field on Wednesday. WHS travels to Rio Vista on Friday for the Moose Relays.

Garcia receives coaches award

Sylvia Garcia was the coaches' award winner for the Winters High School JV girls' 2005-06 basketball team. The Warriors held their annual banquet on March 27, where coach Ada

Lake handed out the award and described Garcia's efforts.

"Sylvia had a positive attitude and great leadership throughout the season," said Lake.

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Features

Virus causes cervical cancer

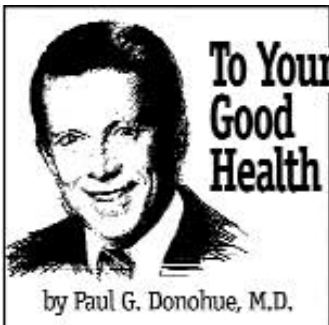
DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I had cervical cancer in my early 40s. I always read and hear that it is caused by a sexually transmitted virus. I did not have a sexually transmitted disease. I'm ashamed to tell anyone about my cancer because of this. Will you print something about this? — B.K.

ANSWER: Genital warts are responsible for virtually all cervical cancers. They, in turn, are caused by papillomaviruses, a large virus family with more than 100 distinctive strains. Some of those viruses cause everyday finger warts or plantar warts on the soles of the feet. Some cause genital warts. Of those that give rise to genital warts, a few lead to cell changes that evolve into cancer of the cervix.

When you hear the figures on cervical cancer, you will lose your unwarranted shame. Every year in the United States close to 5.5 million women are infected with genital warts, and three-quarters of all North American women will contract the infection during their lives. In 2004, 60,500 new cases of cervical cancer were diagnosed. Genital warts and cervical cancer are very common occurrences. Men can pass the virus without knowing they have it. You are viewing these conditions through a lens that's distorting their true picture. There should be no guilt about having genital warts or cervical cancer.

Cervical cancer used to be the No. 1 cancer killer of women. Thanks to Dr. George Papanicolaou, who devised the Pap test in the 1940s, the incidence of death from cervical cancer has dropped by 70 percent in the 60 or so years since the inception of Pap screening, an incredible medical achievement. Now most cervical cancer is detected at an early stage, when it is curable.

The booklet on cervical cancer and Pap smears provides greater details on both subjects. Readers can obtain a copy by



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writing. Dr. Donohue — No. 1102W, 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: What causes a white tongue? I have one. It doesn't hurt, but it surprised me when I saw it in the mirror. My mother was always looking at our tongues because she said they indicated stomach trouble. Does that still hold? — Z.G.

ANSWER: I think everyone's mother inspected their tongues to see if they were white. To them, it did mean stomach upset. But that's an old husband's tale.

Most of the time, a tongue turns white from dead cells piling up on it. Gently scrubbing the tongue with a soft toothbrush can get rid of the coating. If it persists, then the whiteness might be an indication of infection with the yeast Candida or of two serious problems — lichen planus or leukoplakia. A doctor will have to look at it.

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.bma-mall.com.

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Was our “preemptive” invasion illegal?

There is an old and cynical maxim: “The more people one kills, the less likely one is to be punished.”

One of the most pernicious consequences of the invasion of Iraq is that in the United States, it is now apparently accepted virtually without challenge that aggressive war is a legitimate tool of American foreign policy. I have seen nothing in the mainstream American media discussion of the pros and cons of a “preemptive” invasion of Iran by the United States which deals with the possibility that this may be illegal or even morally wrong. So far this is simply not part of the debate.

We Americans are afflicted with historical, legal and moral amnesia. It used to be that most of us thought it was wrong to invade a country which had neither harmed us nor was imminently ready to harm us. There is a solid legal and moral foundation for this belief. Crucial to this foundation are:

Article VI of the U.S. Constitution: “This Constitution, and the laws of the United States which shall be made in pursuance thereof; and all treaties made, or which shall be made, under the authority of the United States, shall be the supreme law of the land...”

Chapter 1, Articles 3 and 4 of the United Nations Charter: a treaty which the U.S. not only signed but had a major role in bringing to life: “All Members shall settle their international disputes by peaceful means in such a manner that international peace and security, and justice, are not endangered. All Members shall refrain in their international relations from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any state, or in any other manner inconsistent with the Pur-



poses of the United Nations.”

This language was incorporated into the Nuclear Non Proliferation Treaty which the U.S. also signed and had a major role in bringing to life.

The Nuremberg Charter, Section II Article 6: “The following acts, or any of them, are crimes coming within the jurisdiction of the Tribunal for which there shall be individual responsibility: (a) Crimes Against Peace: namely, planning, preparation, initiation or waging of a war of aggression, or a war in violation of international treaties...” In 1946 the United Nations General Assembly unanimously adopted Resolution 95 (1), affirming “the principles of International Law recognized by the Charter of the Nuremberg Tribunal and the judgment of the Tribunal.”

The Bible: Exodus Chapter 20, Verse 13: “Thou shalt not kill”.

Unfortunately, it couldn't be more clear that those people who are responsible for the war in Iraq, and who are now calculating the cost/benefits analysis of an American invasion of Iran, leaving “all options on the table,” are clearly operating on the premise that they are allowed to start killing other people any time they want.

And it couldn't be more clear that they are wrong. It boils down to two fundamentals: 1) Nobody is above the law and 2) Thou shalt not kill.

The calls for impeachment of President Bush and other ar-

chitects of the war of aggression in Iraq are growing. What we really need to do though, in my opinion, is to arrest them and put them on trial for this crime. Again, from the Nuremberg Charter, Section II, Article 7: “The official position of defendants, whether as Heads of State or responsible officials in Government Departments, shall not be considered as freeing them from responsibility or mitigating punishment.”

In November of 1945 in his opening statement at the first Nuremberg trial chief American prosecutor U.S. Supreme Court Justice Robert Jackson said: “We must never forget that the record on which we judge these defendants today is the record on which history will judge us tomorrow. To pass these defendants a poisoned chalice is to put it to our own lips as well.”

The men and women in the Bush Administration are not possessed of any unusual innate or acquired characteristics or privileges which render them above the law. To the contrary, they are public servants and we hired them to preserve, protect and defend the law. And while many Americans may have difficulty visualizing these people under arrest and on trial, the legacy of the Sixth Commandment, of Nuremberg, of the U.N. Charter and of the U.S. Constitution is clear.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19)

Impatience is still somewhat of a problem. But a sign of progress should soothe the anxious Aries heart. Meanwhile, invest some of that waiting time in preparing for the change ahead.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

Bovines tend to excel at solving problems, not creating them. But you risk doing just that if you're slow to respond to a timely situation. If necessary, seek advice from someone you trust.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

The Gemini Twin might need to do more than a routine check of both a job-linked and home-based situation. Dig deeper for more data on both fronts to avoid unwanted surprises later.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

Moon Children facing an important workplace decision are encouraged to use their perceptiveness to see through any attempt to win them over with a supercharge of fawning and flattery.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)

Good news catapults Leos and Leonas into reconsidering a deferred decision. But time has moved on, and it's a good idea to recheck your plans and make adjustments where necessary.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)

The week favors relationships, both personal and professional. Take the time to look for and immediately repair any vulnerable areas caused by unresolved misunderstandings.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)

A friend's problems bring out your protective instincts. Be careful to keep a balance between meeting the obligations of friendship without being overwhelmed by them.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)

The temptation to take an extreme position on an issue is strong, but moderation is favored both in personal and professional dealings. Move toward finding areas of agreement.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)

Getting another boss or teacher? Try to see the person behind the image. It will help you adjust more easily to the changes that new authority figures inevitably bring.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)

Much as you might dislike the idea, keep an open mind about using the assistance of a third party to help resolve problems that threaten to unravel an important agreement.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)

Music helps restore the Aquarian's spiritual energies this week. Take someone you care for to a concert of your musical choice. Also, expect news about a workplace matter.

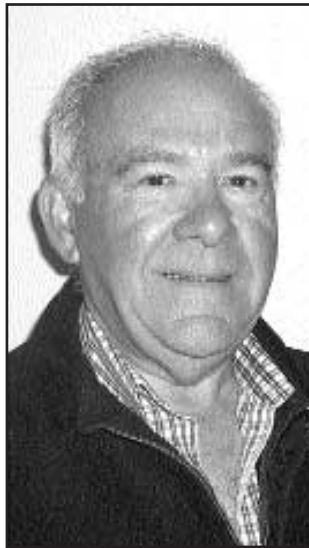
PISCES (February 19 to March 20)

A challenge that seems easy enough at first could take an unexpected turn that might test your resolve. Decide if you feel you should stay with it, or if it's better to move in another direction.

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